



Houston ISD Council of PTAs

September 2009 Newsletter

Chavez High School to host College Night Thursday, October 8

Chavez High School will be pointing its kids toward higher education October 8 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m..

Representatives from an impressive list of colleges and universities will be on hand to share information and tips about taking on college life up to and including information on admissions, housing, scholarships and financial aid. There will even be information on how some kids can go to college for free.

There will be food, fun and prizes, and everyone is welcome. At Chavez they're helping their kids find their way to the top.

Heads up:

- 1) If your school's news and events are **NOT** in this newsletter, it's probably because you didn't submit your news and/or pictures. Try to get in the habit of sending in your information. Your partners across our area want to know what you're up to.
- 2) Keep your eyes peeled for a bulletin that will be along soon on a **fashion show/fund raiser** your area leadership has in the works.
- 3) **Parents and educators of our gifted kids** should be aware that the Texas Association for the Gifted and Talented will be holding their state conference at the George R. Brown Convention Center in Houston, December 2-4. check for information at www.txgifted.org for full details.

Annual Barbara Jordan HS Fiesta Fundraiser set for Thursday, November 19, 2009

If you're associated with a campus named for the late, great Barbara Jordan you have to approach every day and every event knowing you're part of the legacy of a brilliant, ambitious person of soaring stature, achievement and fame. One of the ways the Barbara Jordan High School PTSA lives up to the legacy of its namesake is with its annual **Fiesta Party Fundraiser**, which will take place this year on Thursday, November 19 at 6:00 p.m..

The event raises money for scholarships, providing a scholarship of \$500. each to a deserving Jordan student in both 2008 and 2009. The goal this year is increase the event's earnings and try to award scholarships to two Jordan students.

The **Barbara Jordan Performers** will perform a live play, with tickets selling for a very reasonable \$5.00 each. **Fiesta Food Markets** will be donating all the food for the evening, and it will be prepared and served by the school's **Culinary Arts** class.

Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend this wonderful event.

Want some tips on creating an effective study environment for our young folk? Check out the *Houston Chronicle* article at <http://www.chron.com/dispatch/story.mpl/life/main/664329.html>