



# This Week at The Crossroads School

Week of November 13, 2006

## Upcoming Events

<b>Nov 13/14</b>	Thorpewood (6 <sup>th</sup> )
<b>Nov 15</b>	<u>The Pact</u> trip
<b>Nov 13-17</b>	Amer. Educ. Week
<b>Nov 18</b>	High School Fair
<b>Nov 23-24</b>	Thanksgiving Break
<b>Dec 1</b>	End of 1 <sup>st</sup> Trimester
<b>Dec 6-7</b>	Student-Led Conf.
<b>Dec 25-Jan 1</b>	Winter Break

## Projects & Assessments

### 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Humanities

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### 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Math/Science

- Math Benchmark Assessment

### 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Humanities

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### 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Humanities

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## Student-led Conferences IMPORTANT

Student-led conferences are a **requirement for every student and family.**

Weds, December 6 – 2:00-4:30

Thurs., December 7 – 3:30-6:00

**First trimester report cards will be distributed to parents during these conferences.**

## American Education Week

This week of is American Education Week. This year, Crossroads will be holding several special events throughout the week to encourage parents to visit the school and their children's classrooms. Please call Ms. Sams at x 201 with questions.

*Monday* – Join us for doughnuts and coffee at 7:30a followed by a chance to visit your child's classroom and participate in the morning's activities.

*Wednesday* – Join us for Community Meeting from 7:30a-7:45a in the Great Room.

*Thursday* – Join us for an early-evening screening of "Akilah and the Bee" at 5:30p in the Mikulski Center. Popcorn and beverages will be provided.

*Friday* – Join your child during lunch (11:30a-1:00p) in the Great Room.

## Promotion Requirements

As we near the end of 1<sup>st</sup> trimester it is important to remind students and families about our promotion requirements. In order to meet the passing standards, students must earn a 70% or higher in each academic class (language arts, math, social studies and science). Please remember that the grading system at Crossroads is based on students meeting specific learning targets in each content area. We are working hard to help each student meet the standards by providing frequent opportunities for small group instruction, one-on-one tutoring and feedback. In the next couple of weeks the Student Support Team will be scheduling meetings with families whose students are currently in danger of not meeting promotion standards.

## "The Pact" – Wednesday, November 15

This Wednesday all students and staff will be going to the Charles Theater to watch a documentary called "The Pact" from 9:30-11:45. The film is based on a book written by four African-American men who met in high school, created an agreement to support each other through college, and have gone on to become successful physicians. After the viewing the film, students will have an opportunity to hear the men discuss the movie and to ask questions. Students will be traveling by bus to the theater and will return to school in time for lunch and early dismissal. Please contact Ms. Nunn with questions.

## High School Fair

Students in ALL grade levels are encouraged to attend the Baltimore City High School at the Baltimore Polytechnic Institute (Poly) – 1400 Cold Spring Lane – this Saturday (11/18) from 9:00a-1:00p. Each Crossroads student that attends the High School Fair and completes the High School Information Search Challenge will be awarded a Dress Down Day. Contact Ms. Sams at x 201 for more information regarding MTA tickets to the fair and the High School Information Search Challenge