Important Dates in December

11/30-12/04  FEC Donation Drive & Coin Collection Competition
12/4  FEC Meeting (8am in the Faculty Room)
12/4  6-9 Grade Choir Concert (7pm)
12/10  Las Posadas (6:30pm)
12/11  6th-9th Grade ‘Jingle Mingle’ (2:30-4:00pm in the gym)
12/15  RA Faculty Christmas Party 8pm)
12/16  Ballroom Performance 6pm
12/17  RA Science Fair Project Deadline
12/17  Kindergarten Grinch Play
      (AM) 10:15-11am
      (PM) 2:15-3pm
12/18  ‘Star Wars’ Movie Premier Fundraiser (10:30pm @The District, South Jordan)
12/21-01/01  Christmas Break
1/3  School is Back
RA Happenings

4th Grade Fieldtrip to the Natural History Museum

Assembly on Internet Safety
7th Grade Dance Performance to “Footloose”

RA Happenings

RA Sweatshirts

Get your RA student sweatshirt order placed in time for Christmas. Orders are due in the office by this Friday December 4th for delivery by December 18th. Please place your order with Emily Simons esimons@renacademy.org or Stephanie McCappin smccappin@renacademy.org and pay in the front office.

Color options - Navy or Red
Style options - Pullover or Zip-up Jacket
Size options - YS, YM, YL, YXL, AS, AM, AL.
RA Happenings

Hope Squad

There will be a required HOPE squad meeting after school from 3:15 to 4 on Wednesday December 2nd and 9th in Mr. Luthy’s portable.

Christmas Lamb Exhibit

Congratulations to the following Renaissance Students for being accepted into the Springville Museum of Art’s Christmas Lamb Exhibit:
Brooklyn Turpin, 3rd
Haley Burnah, 1st
Madeline Burnah, 3rd

Opening Reception
All students accepted into the show are invited to an Opening Reception on Saturday, December 5, 2015 from 11:00am - 1:00pm in the Atrium (main level) of the Springville Museum of Art.

30th Annual Christmas Lamb Show
December 5, 2015 - January 3, 2016
See Christmas through the eyes of a child. This annual juried exhibition showcases the art of school-age children from around Utah County. Inspired by a story about the true meaning of Christmas, these young artists create inspired and touching works reflecting their unique vision. The Nemelka Family of Mapleton is pleased to sponsor the 30th Annual Christmas Lamb Art Show at the Springville Museum of Art.
Phoenix 200 Club

Congratulations to our next group of Phoenix Club winners for 2015-16. The Mystery Motivator this round is a ‘Christmas Field Trip’ (the specifics of which are yet to be determined) on Friday 11th December. The following students (see list below) will be contacted individually by email with the specific details and requirements for the field trip. Congratulations!

Kirby Newcomer (Kindergarten)
Matthew Speirs (1st)
Paige Schmickrath (1st)
Brockton Ursic (1st)
Katie Gilles (1st)
Mark Ursic Jr. (3rd)
Jackson Stillman (4th)
Sebastian Sutton (4th)
Avery Peterson (5th)
Jack Wilson (5th)
Addison Jensen (5th)
Alivia Murie (5th)
Ryan Porter (7th)

For those of your new to our school, the Phoenix 200 Club is our school wide positive behavior program whereby teachers look to present tickets to students demonstrating good behavior, going above and beyond, and following our school expectations of Be Successful, Be Respectful, Be Responsible, Be Honest, Be Kind and Be Safe.
All 6th-9th Graders are invited to

The JINGLE MINGLE

Party at the North Pole!

Friday, Dec. 11th
2:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

- Reindeer Games
- Toy making with elves (holiday crafts)
- Gift exchange (bring a $5-$10 white elephant gift)
- Ugly sweater contest
- Reindeer Treats

Bring $5 and your permission slip.
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FEC Announcements

FEC Donation Drive - This Week Nov. 30 - Dec 4 - We are collecting canned/nonperishable food & coins!

RENAISSANCE CARES

At Renaissance, we not only want to raise our kids to be familiar with world cultures and languages, intelligent in math and sciences, and active in sports and play, but also to care about the world and the people around us! This week we will hold our FEC Non-perishable/ Canned Food Drive and Coins for Kenya contest!

Donate Canned / Non-perishable food for the Utah Food Bank

We are collecting donations of non-perishable/canned food items to contribute to the Utah Food Bank to help Utahns struggling this winter have enough food to eat and an enjoyable Christmas. Our goal as a school is to collect at least 750 lbs! This may sound like a lot - but it is actually less than 1 lb per person. We can do it! This afternoon you will see our food drive box set up in front of the stair well in the main school entrance, as well as some fun markings on the wall so all of our students can track our progress and teamwork, and how high they can stack that food for people in need! Please contribute what you can and send in canned and boxed goods with your students so we can stack to the highest line!!

Donate your Coins for Children in Kenya

This week we will also be collecting COINS for Kenya! Earlier this year our 5th - 9th grade students had the opportunity as part of our 'International Day of the Girl' activities to attend an assembly and learn about ‘The Olmalaika Home for Girls’ in Kenya. ‘The Olmalaika Home for Girls’ is run by Global Village Ministries President Kim Dewitt. Kim, who now lives in Michigan, was raised in Kenya and has spent 18+ years of her life there. She is responsible for The Olmalaika Home, humanitarian trips, sponsorship programs, and is passionate about the people of Kenya. The mission of The Olmalaika Home is to house and protect young disadvantaged Maasai girls, providing a warm, nurturing and loving environment; guiding them to see themselves as persons of value, fostering respect and appreciation for their peers, teachers, leaders, and culture, enabling them to be a generation of educated, productive, respected and valuable young women. Our students had the amazing opportunity to hear about this project and we now get to act and contribute!

Beginning tomorrow we will be collecting coins in the front office - Boys vs. Girls style!! There will be a coin jug for boys and a coin jug for girls. The question is... who will donate more? Starting tomorrow we will weigh our coin jugs daily and announce whether how much is in each jug and who is winning. The final winning announcement will be made next Monday 12/7. So send in all those little pennies hanging out on your counters and being sucked up in your vacuums and make a difference. Each coin can make a difference! All proceeds will be sent to The Olmalaika Home.
FEC Announcements

FEC Meeting

Come join us at the monthly Family Engagement Committee meeting. It will be held this Friday, December 4 at 8:00 a.m. in the Faculty Lounge. Any and all are invited to help us make Renaissance Academy the best it can be! Email anything you would like put on the agenda to Sarah Christensen at misssarah26@gmail.com.

Upcoming FEC Dates:

- Holiday Donation Drive: November 30th - December 4th
- FEC Monthly Planning Meeting: Friday December 4th at 8:00 am in the Faculty Lounge
- Star Wars: Episode VII The Force Awakens Movie Premiere Event: Friday December 18th at The District in South Jordan, more details coming soon
- FEC Monthly Planning Meeting: Friday January 8th, 8:00 am in the Faculty Lounge
- Inspirations Entries Due: January 8th, specific details coming soon

Lost and Found

Come and check out the lost and found items located in the gym. We will post pictures of most lost items on Facebook. Remember to please label all jackets and lunch boxes.
FEC Announcements

SCHOOL SCIENCE FAIR is January 7, 2016.

To celebrate Renaissance Academy’s tenth year, the science fair has been expanded in to all grades, which means we need some extra volunteers to make it a fun and rewarding experience for all of our students. Most of our volunteer needs can be completed in 3 hours or less! We are looking for help with the following:
1. Recruiting and hosting Judges
2. Refreshment Committee
3. Set up Committee
4. Clean up Committee

As the FEC liaison, Alyson Harper has more details about each volunteer opportunity, so please email her with questions at acguymon@gmail.com.

We are so excited about our 10th year Science Fair, and look forward to our biggest science fair yet!

ATTENTION ALL VOLUNTEERS!

Are you logging your hours? Please pop into the front office before heading to your volunteering! Use the laptop to select you name and sign in. We need to have you sign in for safety reasons, and The program will automatically track your hours throughout the year for you! Next month we will have a raffle for Volunteer of the Month from the names of people who log hours throughout this month!! (If you would like to log past hours from home go to www.helpcounter.net/volunteer)
Star Wars: Episode VII: The Force Awakens
Tickets will be on sale SOON!
Mark your calendars- Friday December 18th

Follow us on Facebook for ticket information:
The Official Renaissance Academy FEC
THE HERO IN ME

ALL INSPIRATION ENTRIES
DUE FRIDAY, JAN. 8TH

AWARDS NIGHT - FRIDAY, JAN 15TH

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INSPIRATIONS ENTRY FORM

The Hero In Me
2015-2016

Student must complete the entire form. Student and parent must sign the bottom. You may use the back of this form for more writing space.

School: ____________________________________

(Check One)                                             (Circle One)

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_____ Photography                                          Grade: ______________

_____ Musical Composition

_____ Theatre

_____ 3-D Art

_____ Film/Video

_____ Choreography/Dance

_____ Graphic/Digital Arts

Title of your entry: _____________________________________

What inspired you to do this project? _______________________

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Phone: ___________________________  E-mail address: ___________________________

Student’s First Name: ________________________________

Student’s Last Name: ________________________________

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