

Second Floor Scoop

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SENDING EGG FILES



TEACHERS: Thank you for sending EGG files.

Thank you for e-mailing your grades to the Program Office by the due date. Students and parents appreciate your dedication.

ATTENDANCE



TEACHERS: Attendance Sheets

Please be prompt when returning attendance sheets. Blue attendance sheets must be turned in after fifth period by **12:15pm**; they are immediately scanned. Pink sheets must be returned before **4:30 pm**. The later we get the sheets the later someone has to stay in school to scan them and place them back into your mailboxes. If you have an after-school activity, please let us know how we can help you to submit this important information on time.

PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES



PARENTS:

Parent-teacher Conferences

You are invited to visit LaGuardia Arts High School on Open School Night! Parents can meet with teachers on **Thu., Oct. 28**, between **5:30** and **8:00pm** and **Fri., Oct. 29**, between **1:00** and **3:00pm**.

PREPARING FOR CONFERENCES



PARENTS: What can you do to prepare for parent-teacher conferences?

Talk to your child about his or her current classes, teachers, and classmates. Ask your child if there are any concerns or specific questions you should address, or if there is a certain teacher that you must see. (Sometimes students have so many different teachers that it is difficult for a parent to see all of them). If you have concerns about the work done in a certain class, bring in any material that can help the teacher understand your concern. Keep the conference to no more than 3 minutes. If you need more time, make a follow-up appointment, or speak to the teacher on the phone.

TO ALL LAGUARDIA TEACHERS



If you would like to attend your own child's parent-teacher conferences, please notify Ms. Nieves and your department chairperson by **Tue., Oct. 26**. We ask that you visit your child's teachers during the Friday afternoon conferences.

LAPROGRAM.ORG AND DAEDALUS



STUDENTS, PARENTS, and TEACHERS: Online Resources

Daedalus (<https://students-laguardiahs.theschoolsystem.net>):

- transcripts, report cards, attendance records, schedules, and more

The Program Office Web Site (LaProgram.org):

- documents pertaining to programming, testing, and attendance; course descriptions; and more

ARIS



STUDENTS, PARENTS, and TEACHERS: ARIS

Are you wondering what the difference is between ARIS and Daedalus?

What is ARIS?

Please read the information available on the first page of the ARIS Parent Link.

The New York City Department of Education's Achievement Reporting and Innovation System (ARIS) provides a single place where our educators can go to find and study important information about your child. Principals and teachers use this information to find out how best to help your child.

ARIS Parent Link makes this same important information available for you, so you can work together with your child, principal and teacher to help your child learn. ARIS Parent Link uses secure login procedures to be sure that a child's information can be seen only by authorized members of his or her family.

What is Daedalus?

Daedalus is a school-controlled system through which parents can access the following:

- Student transcripts
- Report cards
- Attendance information
- Programming updates
- AP testing information
- College application information

Students use Daedalus to request classes for the next school year, register for AP exams, and apply to colleges. Parents can also use this Web-based system to check their child's progress with these tasks. In the future, we wish to use Daedalus to inform parents about attendance and lateness issues as well.

ARIS



ARIS - ATTENTION THIRD-PERIOD TEACHERS

Very important ARIS letters will be distributed during third period this week.

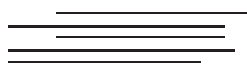
Please read the explicit instructions and follow them carefully. Thank you for your cooperation.

ATTENDANCE



TEACHERS: Attendance Referrals

Circular 6 teachers are ready to make phone calls for attendance outreach. This week we placed Attendance Referrals Quick Forms in your mail boxes. Please let us know which students are excessively late and/or absent from your classes. We would like to help you reach out to these students and their families. You are the first line of defense in insisting that a child has good attendance. By helping us gather this information, the attendance office and C6 teachers are able to aid you in this outreach. If you need additional forms, please come to **Room 261**.



Innovations in Instruction

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REGENTS RESULTS

Regents examinations in June 2010 marked the end of another successful academic year at LaGuardia. The passing rates on all of our Regents exams were impressive, which we always anticipate; however, we also expect that our students will not only pass but also achieve mastery on these important tests. (Mastery level is achieved when a student earns a grade of 85 or above.) In the table above, we focus on subjects in which more than half of the students who took the exam received a grade greater than 85.

We would like to congratulate students and their teachers for these achievements. Over 72% of students taking the English Regents Examination achieved mastery. In the Social Studies Department, over 65% of sophomores achieved mastery on the Global Regents, and an impressive 75% of juniors achieved mastery on the US History Regents.

In the Foreign Language Department, 87% of students achieved mastery on the Spanish exam, 92% of students achieved mastery in French, and 94% of students achieved mastery in Italian!

In the Math Department, over 34% of students achieved mastery on the Algebra 2/ Trigonometry Exam. This was the first time the test was administered, and both students and teachers were unsure of what to expect. Last June was also the first time LaGuardia administered the Geometry Regents on a large scale. Over 36% of students achieved mastery.

In the Science Department, almost 70% of 9th graders in Living Environment achieved mastery on the Regents Exam. In Earth Science, mastery rate was almost 54%.

Again, congratulations to students and teachers in all departments on a job well done!

One of our school's goals is to improve the mastery rates on all Regents exams and Studio Comprehensives; accordingly, we encourage discussion within each department about Regents data.

Regents Exams with More than 50% of Students Tested Achieving Mastery (scores of 85-100) June 2010

Exam	Mastery Rate
Art Comprehensive	50%
English	72%
Global History & Geography	65%
US History & Government	75%
Living Environment	69%
Earth Science	54%
French (*)	92%
Spanish (*)	87%
Italian (*)	94%

() These are elective courses. Students who choose to take them often perform at a high level.*

SCHOLARSHIP RESULTS

The accompanying table shows the passing rates of each academic department across the grade levels. Studio data will be analyzed in a later edition of Innovations in Instruction. The academic departments at LaGuardia should be proud of these results. Reviewing these Scholar-

ship results with colleagues can lead to meaningful conversations about differentiating instruction to reach all students in every class. Using data to follow students' progress and improve instruction are topics each department will explore during departmental professional development.

Passing Rate for Academic Subject Classes across Grade-levels School Year 2009-2010 - Spring Term

	9th	10th	11th	12th
English	98.4%	98.4%	95.8%	98.4%
Social Studies	96.0%	97.1%	94.9%	98.0%
Mathematics	95.5%	95.5%	94.8%	94.8%
Science	95.4%	97.5%	99.0%	93.6%
Foreign Language	95.5%	97.4%	98.5%	95.0%
Health/ Physical Education	97.0%	98.6%	95.0%	98.0%