

APEX NEWSLETTER

MAY 2009

LETTER FROM THE DIRECTOR

It's hard to believe that the spring session is already coming to an end in June. 2008 – 2009 has been a great, successful year for Apex and its students.

Since our move in October, our students have been extremely busy and productive. The Apex Diagnostic Day generated a large turnout and Math Club students excelled in numerous competitions throughout the year, including Math Olympiad and AIME. Currently, we are preparing for the 1st Annual Apex Math Tournament on May 30, where students from schools around the area will participate in a battle of mathematical minds. In addition, Apex Uhak, a comprehensive study abroad program for international students, was recently launched after months of planning.

Even though the school year is winding down, we are gearing up for summer with a full schedule of classes. The Apex Summer Program is a great way to stay sharp, get prepared for next year and have fun. Sign up soon to secure your spot!

Julie Yi
Director

UPCOMING EVENTS

SAT 5/30 **APEX MATH TOURNAMENT**
All students in grades 4-8 are welcome to sign up! See below for details.

Week of 5/18 **APEX MATH CLUB TOURNAMENT**
Round 3 of the in-class competition

Week of 6/8 **APEX MATH CLUB AWARD CEREMONY**
Prizes will be awarded to high-scoring students in class

1ST ANNUAL APEX MATH TOURNAMENT

Date: Saturday, May 30, 2009

Time: Elementary Schools: 9 AM - 1 PM
Middle Schools: 2 PM – 6 PM

Location: The Dorris Eaton School
1847 Newell Ave.
Walnut Creek, CA 94595

Teams: Each team is composed of any five students from the same school who are in grades 4-5 OR 6-8.

Tournament: Individual and Team Rounds

Awards: All students will receive a certificate of participation. High scorers, both individual and team, will receive awards.

EDUCATIONAL NEWS

UC Admissions Rates for Fall 2009 - Nearly all 9 campuses report most selective admissions rates in a decade

The University of California system reported the lowest admissions rates in a decade. Applicants for Fall 2009 admissions were accepted at a rate of about 72%, down from the 2008 rate of 75.3%. The low rates are attributed to 2 factors: application in high numbers and reduced state funding for the UC system.

	Berkeley	Davis	Irvine	LA	Merced	Riverside	San Diego	Santa Barbara	Santa Cruz
Applications	37,882	39,288	40,733	46,104	9,926	23,640	41,411	40,572	25,341
Admitted	11,184	18,146	17,452	9,869	7,851	18,874	15,718	19,360	16,135
Admit Rate	29.5%	46.2%	42.8%	21.4%	79.1%	79.8%	38%	48.4%	63.7%
Average GPA	4.16	4.00	4.01	4.17	3.54	3.63	4.09	3.92	3.76
Average SAT	2012	1880	1866	1992	1611	1661	1955	1851	1787

CONGRATULATIONS!

Apex seniors have been accepted to many prestigious universities for Fall 2009, including:



Cornell
Carnegie Mellon
UOP Dental Program
Boston College
Boston University
USC

UC Berkeley
UCLA
UCSD
Carleton
Middlebury
NYU

Congratulations on your acceptance and all your hard work

Apex students have experienced great success in nationwide math contests, including:

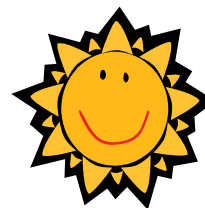
AMC Math Contests: Yun Park (10th grade) qualified for the AMC 10 while Daniel Yi (12th grade) qualified for the AMC 12 out of over 250,000 students nationwide. In addition, Stacy Jeong (8th grade) qualified for the AMC 10 - less than 5% of qualifiers were 8th graders. Great work!

NAT contest winners:

- **Ciphering Time Trial:** Stacy Jeong (8th place), Eddie Choi (9th place)
- **4x4 team contest:**
 - **1st place:** Eddie Choi, Stacy Jeong, Doowon Kang, Henry Park
 - **2nd place:** Karthik Gururangan, Ben Jang, Saki Kitadai, Brian Woo
 - **3rd place:** Jackie Ahn, Eugene Gil, Justin Lee, Chan Ui Park

APEX SUMMER PROGRAMS

This summer, Apex will offer a variety of classes for all grade levels and subjects. For more information, please visit our website at www.apexcollegeprep.com or pick up a brochure at the office. Classes begin June 22 and will run through August 15.



We will continue to offer:

- SAT Bootcamp
- Preview Classes
- Math Club – Prepare for the AMC 8/10/12
- SSAT/ISEE Prep
- Debate/Essay Club

We will also introduce:

- Study Skills Workshop
- Art/Writing Club
- College Counseling

Take advantage of our discounts:

- **Sibling Discount:** Receive 10% off one student's tuition when a sibling also enrolls
- **Referral Discount:** Refer a student at receive \$25 off. Multiple referrals allowed.
- Sign up by April 30 and receive 10% off tuition.

IMPORTANT DATES

SAT 5/2	COLLEGE BOARD SAT TESTS	SAT 6/13	ACT TEST
MON 5/25	MEMORIAL DAY – APEX CLOSED	SAT 6/13	SPRING SESSION ENDS
SAT 5/30	APEX MATH TOURNAMENT	MON 6/22	SUMMER SESSION BEGINS
SAT 6/6	COLLEGE BOARD SAT TESTS	SAT 7/4	INDEPENDENCE DAY – APEX CLOSED

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **New tuition policy**
 - Payment due on the 1st day of class each month
 - Late charge of \$10 per week will be assessed after the 5th day of the month
 - No refunds will be issued once classes have begun
- **Holiday schedule**
 - Apex observes the following holidays:

- New Year's Day	- Labor Day
- Memorial Day	- Thanksgiving and the next day
- Independence Day	- Christmas Eve and Christmas Day
- **Use of website calendar**
 - Our website calendar (www.apexcollegeprep.com/calendar.php) is fully updated and lists all events at Apex. Check frequently for updates on Apex events and classes..
- **Progress Reports**
 - All parents of students enrolled in classes at Apex (Math Club, SAT, Debate, Reading Club, etc) will be emailed bimonthly progress reports. Make sure to check your email soon for the March – April Reports.
- **Apex College Prep's New Cupertino Branch Now Open**
 - Apex College Prep relocated its Sunnyvale location to 1054 S. De Anza Blvd #203 in Cupertino, in response to the high demand for academic enhancement classes in the area. The move coincides with a significant expansion of curriculum. Now, the Cupertino center features Speech and Debate Club, Math Club and will soon offer SAT Prep, SSAT/ISEE Prep and Reading Club.
- **New Apexuhak.com website has been launched in Korean and Japanese**
 - Recently, Apex College Prep Director Julie Yi introduced Apex Uhak, a comprehensive, year-long program designed to facilitate study in the United States for foreign students. The program incorporates all aspects of studying and living abroad to accommodate the growing numbers of foreign students.

Apex Uhak provides a strong support system and academic resources to maximize the study abroad experience, such as admissions counseling that guides them through applying to private schools, a homestay with a carefully-screened host family, including room, board, guardians and transportation. Students participate in Apex College Prep's Homework Club during the week and receive additional instruction on the weekends in preparation for the SAT, which focuses on critical reading, writing and mathematics skills.

For those who are unable to commit to a full academic year, Apex Uhak also sponsors students interested in intensive summer and winter camps and provides them with all the same benefits as the year-long program.



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DON'T FORGET...

APEX COLLEGE PREP/JEI LEARNING CENTER'S

1st Annual Math Tournament

Saturday, May 30 at the Dorris Eaton School

Elementary: 9 am - 1 pm

Middle School: 2 - 6 pm

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