

A Walk Through the Middle Ages March 12, 2020 Parent Information Handout

Living History Exhibit Overview

Students have been researching various topics of the Middle Ages (500 C.E. – 1500 C.E.) and are currently in the middle of writing their “I-Search” research papers. Students will soon be working in small groups to create presentations of their topics. Using costumes, background scenes, and various props, students will share what they learned while doing research with elementary students who will attend our Living History Exhibit on **Thursday March 12, 2020**. This year’s Living History Exhibit will take place in the La Colina Junior High School west parking lot from **9:00am to 11:30am**. Parents, grandparents, and friends are all welcome.

Parent Help

Please visit our website (www.lacolinawalk.com) that has information about this project. We cannot do this project without parent help. Please go to the website and click on the parent help link to sign up for one (or more) of the many ways that parents can help. We kindly request that all parents sign up to help with this project in some way. There are many different options.

Research Paper

I-Search is a unique form of research that involves students doing original research and sharing what they learned in the process. Students will be turning in their rough drafts of their paper in mid-February. For help with Gmail accounts, Google docs, Easybib, and writing the I-Search paper go to the Walk website: www.lacolinawalk.com

Costumes

Every student needs to be in costume for our Living History Exhibit. Costumes can be simple since clothing used during the Middle Ages around the world consisted of simple clothing. Costumes will depend on topic and area of the world the student has been researching. Many different examples will be provided for students on how to make their own costumes. Our website has many good pictures of costumes for helping students (and parents) with ideas. Simple costumes that are hand-made or borrowed work fine.

We have many costumes here at school that students can borrow for the Walk so have your child check with their teacher if they need help with a costume. This year we will be doing the Walk with 405 students and we need help with sewing basic tunics. We will provide the fabric and template for any of you who know how to sew and want to help.

Scenes / Props

Student groups will be responsible for creating a presentation scene. Students are encouraged to use 10’ X 10’ canopy shades to create their scenes under. Although the La Colina History Club has some tents available for groups to use, we encourage those who have one at home to bring it for their group presentation.

The Four Seasons Biltmore has kindly donated sheets for the students to use for background scenes. The students will draw the scenes at school and paint them at home. Please see the website for painting tips.

Medieval Meal

The La Colina School Cafeteria will be making an authentic medieval meal for the students to eat after the event is over. The meal is \$8.00 per student. We are hoping that we can raise enough money from donations to cover the cost of the meal for every student.

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