



Rhino Roar

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Are you looking for some math fun for your child? Check out the Julia Robinson Math Festival this Saturday 12/7 at Cal from 9:00AM to 12:00PM at 1 Alumni House. There will be over 20 math games and puzzles for all ages, with creative, collaborative math fun! Visit JRMF.org for more info.

Mark your calendars for the **Winter Party on Dec 13!** An evening of fun from 6 - 8 pm at Washington!

Road construction on Shattuck Avenue may result in more traffic on northbound MLK from December 16 through January. Please allow for extra time if you drive in the area.

Expect increased traffic volumes on northbound MLK Jr. Way (between Haste Street and University Avenue) during commute hours, as University Avenue-bound traffic from Shattuck Avenue will be detoured to MLK Jr. Way. More info [here](#).

Gender Justice Kids! is an after school photography club for gender expansive and trans* elementary-aged students with their allies at Washington! As we prepare for our third season in Spring 2019, we're currently looking for interested kids and families throughout the Bay Area.

We create a safe space where students are provided with a camera to document their notions of gender and how it impacts them. Students get to freely explore and express all facets of their identity while documenting their voices through images and narratives. The facilitator uses photography to support students in developing a narrative for their chosen image. This collection of images and narratives becomes a part of a gallery exhibit at our school.

This year, we are creating a documentary that serves as a tool for educators and families to support the creation of inclusive, safe spaces for Trans and Gender Expansive. This will be directed by Nico Opper, director of "The F Word" and "Off and Running." Group meetings will be held on Fridays after school from February – April

2019 at Washington. Groups will be facilitated by Kindergarten teacher Ashleigh Talbott, who can be reached at ashleightalbott@berkeley.net

Please email washingtonattendance@berkeley.net if your child misses school with the date and reason for the absence.

Events coming up:

- Dec 5 Assembly: Fire Safety for k-2 @ 10 am
- Dec 9 Assembly: Fire Safety for 3rd - 5th @ 1:30 pm
- Dec 10 PTA Board Meeting
- Dec 12 Eq/Fire Drill @ 1 pm
- Dec 13 Winter Party in Cafetorium, 6 - 8 pm! Don't miss this!
- Dec 23 - Jan 5 WINTER BREAK