March 2015 (Q1)

Dear Kiahnna,

Is it March already?! Time flies when you're having fun. In just 2 months the Class of 2015 will start on a journey of life enrichment and then travel to Ireland. Applications are being accepted now! Take a read through "STAMPED," CALE Now's new quarterly newsletter, where you'll find out more about our program, how we impact the lives of children and their communities, ways that you can get involved, and you'll have a few fun things to do. We'll start with fun! Enjoy!

What's Cooking? A Taste of Ireland!

Irish Potato Candy

"A cute little confection that looks just like little potatoes. This kind does not contain potatoes; they are made using cream cheese and coconut."

INGREDIENTS:
1/4 cup butter, softened
1/2 (8 ounce) package cream cheese
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
4 cups confectioners' sugar
2 1/2 cups flaked coconut
1 tablespoon ground cinnamon

Start Cooking!

Our Partners!

Interview with a Principal
Mustafa Sahin is the principal of Magnolia Science Academy 1, a charter school in Reseda, CA. Principal Sahin knows the importance of international education! He not only
coordinates an annual educational trip for students to Turkey, he also sits on the advisory board of CALE Now and is an active member of the community. Check out what he had to say about the program:

1. What would you say to parents about the CALE Now program? - It is an eye opening opportunity for those students who cannot afford it by themselves.

2. Why should educators and community members advocate for the program? - It is a well-designed and planned FREE program geared specifically towards future leaders, where we as a school are not focusing enough to give and/or provide the necessary skills to the students to improve themselves in leadership, especially for the middle school students.

3. What changes have you seen in your students who completed the program? - Last year 3 of our students participated the program, and we have seen improvement in their academics and their interaction with their peers in a positive way.

4. Why should parents/students apply? - Again, it is a FREE program. As a parent, I would want my own kid to participate to the program, not only because it is free, but also it is a wonderful experience for them to improve their social skills.

5. Why are you an advocate for the program? - Education does not consist only of school. As educators we should be using outside of the school hours wisely to prepare the future generations. I strongly believe that CALE Now is doing it. That’s why I am an advocate for the program.

6. What impact does international experience/education have on a young person's life? - As a person who has worked in 3 different countries so far, I have benefited from that in adjusting easily wherever I go, and most importantly, I can understand the people who came from different countries and who have different cultural backgrounds. I believe that is a unique skill that every and each of our future leaders must have.

7. How does CALE Now supplement the education kids receive at school and home? - I do not see the emphasis on middle school students’ leadership skills at the school level, and most of the parents are busy with their work. Sometimes they have 2 jobs. I am not blaming them that they may not have time to search and find different opportunities for their kids. I believe that CALE Now is providing that.

8. Is there anything else important for people to know? - I just would like to thank to CALE Now for providing that program to the community which has 90% economically disadvantaged student body, which makes it even harder for parents to provide to their kids the experience of visiting a foreign country at that early age.

FUNDRAISER and THE CASE FOR INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION

LEAD2015: Seminar & Fundraiser
Register Here!

US Department of Education Believes
CALE Now is poised to meet the challenge
Sign up today for this fabulous event. Not only will you learn a great deal, but your attendance will allow students to complete our international summer enrichment program!

LEAD2015 is a two-day leadership forum featuring stories from 22 hand-selected world thought leaders. The forum in its entirety will be live streamed to hundreds of remote host sites across North America (including our Northridge Headquarters!). The carefully crafted content is designed to inspire leadership in people from all walks of life.

March 30: 8:00am - 5:00pm
March 31: 8:00am - 4:30pm
to increase access to international education! And importantly, the U.S. Department of Education established its first-ever fully articulated international strategy. The strategy is designed to accomplish two goals: 1) strengthen U.S. education and 2) advance our nation's international priorities. The international strategy for 2012-2016 affirms the Department's commitment to preparing today's youth, and our country more broadly, for a globalized world, and to engaging with the international community to improve education. The objectives are 3-fold:

1. Increase the global competencies of all U.S. students, including those from traditionally disadvantaged groups
2. Learn from other countries... (more)

VOLUNTEER with Us on April 11, 2015

Park Tree Care with Tree People
On Saturday April 11, 2015 (9:00 am to noon), in celebration of National Volunteer Week (April 12-18) and Global Youth Service Day (April 17-19), we will volunteer with Tree People in Sylmar, CA. "We'll be deep watering and mulching the trees in this urban park to bring shade, clean air and plenty of acorns for the local squirrels. Trees in parks provide us with immense benefits - to lose them would be a huge blow to the health and well-being of our communities, so come out and help us care for LA's trees AND people!" Sign up at TreePeople.org. To carpool to the location, meet us at CALE Now Headquarters at 8:15 am.

CALE Kids & Supporters

From a CALE Kid's Perspective
Andres Frausto
Class of 2014 & 2015 Volunteer

Donor Names & Giving Levels
From CALE Kids to all donors: Thank you! We appreciate you!
CALE Now taught me how to maintain my money. Also, they taught me that there are a lot of open doors, but it’s your choice of which one to take. All guest speakers have taught me life lessons that are valuable and helpful for school and life. I do agree that CALE Now is not just a program it’s a life lesson, open door, and very entertaining.

I really recommend this program for any kids that get bored at home. My commitment and goal now is to teach kids that nothing is impossible and it doesn’t matter how you start, it’s how you finish. CALE Now has taught me all of this. Also, they have taught how to become stronger than ever mentally and physically, and how to try, and how to never give up.

Thanks CALE Now staff, sponsors, and guest speakers. All of you are truly inspiring and have taught me a life lesson and have made me into a leader. Thank you. I truly wish the best for CALE Now and if at anytime you guys need an extra hand I will be gladly to help out.

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NO DONATION IS TOO SMALL!

CALE Now Values & Tenets

FIND THE BOLDED WORDS. They represent the CALE Now Values & Tenets.

- Non-judgment atmosphere
- Supportive learning environment
- Have fun
- Be respectful
- Enjoy learning
- Always think about how you can impact the world
- Share experiences
- Build a sense of community
- Help each other
- Be positive and thankful
- Be accountable
- Have integrity
CALE Now is a program that transforms the lives of young people through innovative methods to teach them about the world and how they can impact it. We reach kids at a critical age at which they face peer pressure, self esteem issues, and decisions that begin to shape the future of a person. If we can influence them at a higher level, their entire life could be different. Thank you for helping us to accomplish the mission to create global leaders with international mindsets!

Sincerely,

Kiahnna, AnGele, Yasmin and the entire CALE Now! Family

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