

**UCLA MESA  
Weekly Brief  
Date: Sept . 12, 2014**

Hello UCLA MESA Advisors,

This weekly brief will inform you about:

1. MESA Parent Conference
2. MESA Senior Transcripts
3. SMART @ Chapman University
4. 2014-15 MESA Day Competition Rules
5. Invent for Life Workshop (Repeat. Please complete Doodle so I can schedule the workshops!)

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***MESA Parent Conference***

The MESA Parent Conference is scheduled for next Saturday, Sept. 20, 2014 from 9:00 - 10:030 a.am on 3400 Boelter Hall. I have planned this event in the hopes that if parent are aware of the MESA Program of the program and its benefits, they would encourage their children to participate in the program.

Please inform parents about the orientation and encourage them to RSVP to attend the event. To RSVP parents can email ([cathytd@seas.ucla.edu](mailto:cathytd@seas.ucla.edu)) or call me at (310) 267-4416. Attached is a flyer for the event, print and pass it out to the students parents.

Attachment: MESA Parent Orientation Flyer

***MESA Senior Transcripts.***

MESA Senior Transcripts are the first deliverable of the 2014 -15 academic school year. Following is the list of all the schools who have submitted transcripts to the UCLA MESA Office. It is important that I receive the senior transcripts in the next week so I submit the deliverable to

the MESA Statewide Office. I have attached a list of high school seniors for each MESA High School, please submit the transcripts to me by Sept. 22, 2014

| Transcripts Submitted                          | Transcripts NOT submitted   |
|--|---|
| City Honors<br>Hamilton<br>Los Angeles<br>WESM | Crenshaw<br>Fairfax<br>LACES<br>Lawndale<br>LACSHA<br>Morningside<br>University |

Attachment: 2014 MESA Senior List

***SMART @ Chapman University***

The SMART MESA Advisor Training at Chapman university is scheduled for Sept 27, 2014 . The following advisors have indicated they will be attending the training. Your name have been submitted to Chapman university so that they can purchase workshop supplies for you. If you are no longer able to attend please email me to let me know

| SMART Training Participants   |
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| 1. Andre Akins<br>2. Cesar Campos<br>3. Claire Ilo<br>4. Karissa Klemm<br>5. Dante Madali<br>6. Marilyn Genota<br>7. Freda Antoine (possible-<br>let me know your final<br>decision by 9/15/14) |

If your name does not appear on the list and you would like to attend. Please email me by Sept, 15 2014 to let me know that you would like to attend.

Attachment: SMART Flyer

### **2014-15 MESA Day Competition Rules**

The remaining of the 2014-2015 MESA Day competition rules have been posted the MESA website. Attached are the MESA Day rules for the following competitions:

Model Science - GI ( MS)

Model Science - Heart (HS)

Solo Math

Speak Up (MS)

Speak Out (HS)

Team Math Quest

The curriculum for these project has not yet been uploaded to the website. I will send it to you as soon as I receive it. The attached MESA day Rules can be added to the MESA Resource CD.

### ***Invent For Life Workshop***

This far only two teacher have completed the linked Doodle providing me with their availability on the Saturdays listed below. I need your responses to plan the workshop. Using the following link please complete the form to let me know of your availability. <http://doodle.com/dx8p4xwzrf57exsq>

Possible workshop dates are: Sept. 27, Oct. 4, Oct. 11, Oct. 11, Oct. 18, Oct. 25, Nov. 8

Please link to the following Doodle to indicate your availability on the given Saturdays. Based on your feedback I will determine the dates of the workshop and provide with the information.

UCLA MESA will be hosting two 4-hour Invent for Life Workshops for MESA Advisors. The workshop will train teachers how to teach their students the principles of problem solving and invention. I decided to host this workshop for 2 reasons:

1. Participation in the workshop would be very helpful to advisors when assisting students with their MESA projects.
2. MESA has reached out the The JPL Invention Challenge group for permission to use past challenges for the MESA National Competition.

The workshops will be facilitated by Paul Mac Neal the coordinator of the JPL invention Challenge. I have the space for 15 advisors to participate in the workshop. The workshops will be held on 2 Saturdays between September and November.

Attachment: Invent for Life Flyer

## Weekly Brief: Sept 5, 2014

### UCLA MESA Information

#### ***Invent For Life Workshop***

As discussed in the meeting held last week, UCLA MESA will be hosting two 4-hour Invent for Life Workshops for MESA Advisors. The workshop will train teachers how to teach their students the principles of problem solving and invention. I decided to host this workshop for 2 reasons:

1. Participation in the workshop would be very helpful to advisors when assisting students with their MESA projects.
2. MESA has reached out The JPL Invention Challenge group for permission to use past challenges for the MESA National Competition.

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#### ***MESA Advisor Paperwork & Enrollment Form Packet***

Packets were mailed out to all advisors who were unable to attend the UCLA MESA Advisor Meeting last week. Included in the packet were the 2014-5 MESA Advisor Handbook and Resource CD, UCLA MESA Advisor Forms and the MESA Enrollment Packet. Please submit the following forms to me by Sept. 8, 2014 via fax (310-825-3908) or email

1. MESA Advisor Profile Form
2. MESA Advisor Questionnaire
3. MESA Advisor Award and Stipend Criteria Agreement
4. W-9

The packet includes 50 copies of the 2014-15 MESA Enrollment Packet which consists of the MESA Enrollment and Parent Authorization Forms, a Why MESA Brochure and a Parent Orientation Flyer. Please pass the enrollment packet out to any student you feel would benefit from participating in MESA and encourage your students' parents to RSVP to attend the Parent Orientation by either emailing me or call me at (310) 267-4416.

Enrollment forms are due to the MESA Office by Oct. 24, 2014.  
That's all for now, have a great weekend!