



August 25<sup>th</sup>, 2008

Dear Families,

Greetings from the Oakland Unified School District's (OUSD) Refugee & Asylee Student Assistance Program. We hope this letter finds you doing well! We know that the beginning of a new school year is an exciting and busy time, and we hope that everything is running smoothly so far.

For those of you who do not already know about us, the Oakland Unified School District runs a Refugee & Asylee Student Assistance Program. We work with refugee and asylee students and families to access support systems that help students transition into school in the U.S./Oakland and achieve academic success.

**Starting in September, we will be holding monthly parent information meetings for the refugee and asylee community.** These meetings will give important information about education in the U.S. and in the OUSD, in particular. Topics will include: After-school program opportunities, communicating with your child's teachers, the School Options process, testing, post-high school options, and opportunities for youth during the summer months.

We will hold the first meeting on Tuesday, September 16<sup>th</sup> from 6:00-8:00 p.m. We will discuss the beginning of the school year, how to support your children's return to school, and will answer any questions you have.

**Parent Education Meeting:**  
***Supporting Your Child's Learning***  
Tuesday, September 16<sup>th</sup>  
6:00-8:00 p.m.  
1025 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue (at 10<sup>th</sup> Street)  
**Portable 15**

We hope that you will join us for this important meeting. We believe that the more parents are involved in their children's learning, the more their children will succeed in school.

Sincerely,

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