Today is "B" Day



Stout Musicians Rated Superior!



Our students, Sukaina-Jean Aldalimi, Emily Chahine, William DeBiasi, Ava Dobos, Alia Elhajj, Lily Kanclerz, and Maya Moreau went to Solo and Ensemble Festival on February 6. They all attained a "Superior rating!" One duet attained an "Excellent" rating. Stout musicians, when compared to other schools in the area, were rated Superior! Stout is proud. Way to go FALCONS!



Tutoring News

- ✓ Ms. Flatt will not have tutoring today, Thursday, February 11.
- ✓ Mrs. Klemeston will start tutoring again today, Thursday, February 11.



Red Out Day: Today

Today, Thursday, February 11th, Stout will be having a Red Out Day - Not as in angry red, but as in warm and loving hearts red - just before Valentine's Day. As always, this event is for a good cause. Staff and students will pay one (1) dollar to wear red. All of the money collected will go toward the Relay for Life fundraiser. Thanks - Ms. Rancillio.



Míd-Winter Break: Feb. 12 - Feb. 15

There will be **no school from February 12 until February 15**, as **Mid-Winter Break** coincides with the Federal **Presidents Day (3rd Monday of February)** holiday. Here is a bit of history to inform and entertain.

George Washington's Birthday was first declared a federal holiday in 1879 by an act of Congress. The date was later shifted from February 22 to the 3rd Monday in February. Combined with the fact that

President Lincoln's birthday falls on **February 12**, many people now refer to this holiday as "**Presidents' Day**" and consider it a day honoring all American presidents. However, the official name of the holiday is still **Washington's Birthday**.



Early College Recruitment Assembly: Feb. 17

On **Feb. 17th** Early College will be presenting a **recruitment assembly** for our **8th graders** at **10:20 am.** They will be in the **auditorium** and **all students** are to attend.



Stout Music Coming to Edsel Ford: Feb. 24

On Wednesday, February 24, the 7th grade band, 7th and 8th grade orchestra, and the 8th grade band will be going to Edsel Ford High School to perform in the Dearborn Schools Band and Orchestra Festival. Times are to be determined. It will be about 3 hours and I will inform you as soon as I get those times. Thanks - Mr. Jim Walters



Math League Contest: Feb. 23

Do you want to see how you do in Math against other students in the State of Michigan? On **Tuesday, Feb. 23, 2016**, Stout will give you the chance to do that. The **top scorer of each** will receive a **Certificate of Merit** from the Math League in addition to **other awards and prizes**. You can register with

your Math teacher or with Mr. Sabra before Friday, Feb. 19, 2016.

You can visit the following site to practice. You will find many samples along with the solutions. You do not need to log in or register for that page.

http://www.mathleague.com/index.php/annualcontestinformation/samplecontests



Dearborn High Recruitment: March 4

On Friday, March 4^{th} , Dearborn High will be at Stout's auditorium to talk to their future students. A list will be sent to you of these students. Only those on the list can attend.



Relay for Life Meeting: March 9

Next Relay for Life meeting is on Wednesday March 9 after school in C-8. Please bring your Relay Calendar with you.



Battle of the Books: March 11

Battle of the Books Participants: It is time to switch books again. Please see Mrs. Acker before the end of the day on Friday, Feb. 05 to swap books. The Battle will take place on Friday, March

11th. Happy Reading!



STEM Applications for 2016 - 2017 Soon Online

This year, **STEM** applications (school Year 2016-2017) will be submitted on line by clicking a link that will be made available the week of March 7. All applications must be submitted by March 18.

Here is the link for more info:

http://stem.dearbornschools.org/stem-application/



Stout Annual Spelling Bee

The Stout Annual Spelling Bee will be held on Tuesday, March 22nd.

Spelling lists can be found at: 6th. grade - Ms. Schulkey

7th. grade - Mr. Serazio 8th. grade - Mr. Bennett



OK2SAY Coming to Stout: Feb. 16 - Feb. 17

The **OX2SAY** is a program designed to help Michigan students, parents, school personnel, community mental health service programs, and law enforcement share and respond to student safety threats.

On **Wednesday, Feb. 16** and **Thursday, Feb. 17**, a team from the **Michigan Department of Attorney General** will be at Stout Middle School auditorium **(8 -10 am)** to:

- ✓ Present two (2) videos based on the stories of actual teenage Internet predator victims.
- ✓ Caution students about revealing personal information on social networking sites.
- ✓ Explain the consequences of sexting;
- ✓ Advise students to **think about and protect their reputations**.
- ✓ Educate students about bullying, cyberbullying, and responding to it.
- ✓ Present a video that features **Michigan bullying victims who died by suicide**.
- ✓ Introduce the students to the **OX2SAY confidential tip hotline service** (an early warning system in our schools to stop tragedies before they happen.)



6th Grade WIDA Assessment: Feb. 17, 18

The **WIDA** will be starting soon here at Stout beginning with the sixth grade. The **sixth grade** will begin testing on the 17th and 18th of February as follows:

✓ Listening and Reading:

Wednesday, Feb. 17.

✓ Writing:

Thursday, Feb. 18.