



THE RENAISSANCE
CHARTER SCHOOL
May 2022 Issue

Parents Corner



May Menus: (need to be updated)
Breakfast Lunch Supper PreK-3 Lunch

Important Upcoming Dates:

- May 4th 6pm – Board of Trustees Meeting
- May 10th 6pm – CSG Meeting
- May 18th 6pm – Parent Association Meeting
- May 27th 9am – Career Day
- May 30th – Memorial Day (School Closed)

Big news! Little Sizzle will be held on June 22nd, 23rd, and 34th from 9am-12pm. This is the Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday of the last week of school.

Links for all meetings will be posted on the **website calendar**

Love our school? **Leave us a review** on greatschools.org!

Shout Outs

Shout out to the second graders for making cards for the fourth graders! Many of them had cards. on their desk during exams, and it made their faces light up.

Shout out to Semke Gaastra-Van for designing this beautiful flier! Make sure to support Middle School Student Council's Fundraiser by ordering a sweatshirt or t-shirt.

Sweatshirts & T-Shirts Fundraiser!

Buy our T-shirts and sweatshirts
to help raise money for school activities
(such as field day!)



T-Shirt: \$20.00



Sweatshirt: \$30.00

Submit your orders with ease online!
Just use these QR codes using your phone!

All funds will be used toward out-of-school
activities for Middle School students



Order by: **April 29th**



t-shirts

sweatshirts

Shout out to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd grade for winning the survey completion contest!

Mayor Adams, joined by former Mayor Bloomberg, announced the launch of a initiative called Summer Boost NYC. This initiative is designed to support charter school summer programs. Read more [HERE](#)

Sports Desk



High School boys warming up for the season opener, just a week or two before another famous season opener right behind them.

Keeping Busy at Renaissance!



GSA's Drag Queen Story Hour in April was well attended by 60 students and staff!



Pre-K students brought home a Veggie Lollipop after the April Fools joke "National Lollipop Day"!



Hydroponics Internships



Rebekah Slotnick took 25 10/11th grade theater students to a matinee performance of The Music Man on April 27th



Ivan Ng, Thandi Quimaraes, Anthony Pelta, Marlen Castro, Angelica Brito, Emily Martinez, Penelope Latrique, and Valentina Rincon at the Bake Sale on 4/28.



We love sharing the amazing people and events in our community. We are also encouraging families to send recipes. So, if you or someone you know would like to submit a Shout-Out, recipe, or something else, please email newsletters@rencharter.org.

Alumni

EXTRA OPPORTUNITIES

FOR PARENTS



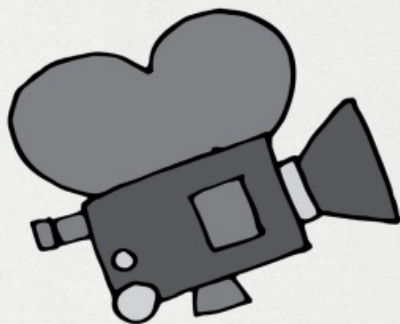
Teen Battle Chef provides FREE ZOOM cooking classes every Tuesday! This is a great opportunity to help children learn how to cook easy, nutritious foods. If you aren't available during the class, they publish recordings on their [website](#)!



The Renaissance Charter School
Presents

Career Day 2022

Help us inspire leaders for the Renaissance of New York



Friday May 27th
9AM to 12PM
Via Zoom



If interested
please fill out
survey:

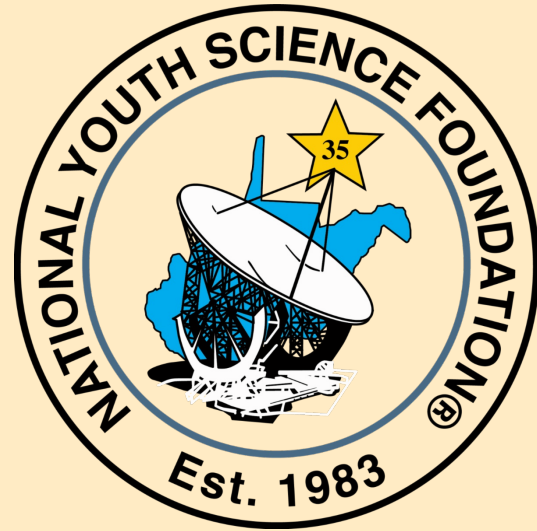
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EXTRA OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS

THE GILDER LEHRMAN INSTITUTE *of* AMERICAN HISTORY

The Gilder Lehrman Institute's new History U Program lets high school students explore American history with top scholars, via modified versions of their MA in American History courses. The first three History U courses:

- American Immigration History: People, Places in Policy
- Black Women's History
- Foundations of American Government



Applications are now being accepted until **May 2nd** from high school seniors to represent New York State at the 2022 National Youth Science Camp (NYSCamp). Two students will be selected from each state and Washington, D.C., as well as eight countries, to attend the virtual camp, which will be held from **June 27 through July 20, 2022**.



High School Students: InSpirit AI

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presents

GIRLS MAKE MOVIES

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Change the world.

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Girls Make Movies is an immersive hybrid (virtual and in-person) program offering a deep dive into film making, script writing, and storytelling with a social justice lens.

Weekly workshops will begin on February 22, 2022. Among other skills, participants will learn:

PROGRAM OUTCOMES:

- Understand the narrative structures and stylistic expectations of documentary filmmaking
- Expand writing skills in both analysis and interview
- Develop an understanding of the pre- and post-production skills necessary to create a film, including storyboarding, thematic development, and video editing
- Create a 10-20 minute documentary, which meets industry standards for style and structure and can be entered into film competitions and festivals.

ELIGIBILITY:

- Social justice oriented girls, young women, non-binary youth ages 14 - 18

APPLICATION DEADLINE:

- Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis with priority given to February 16, 2022.
- For enquiries, please contact: Neil Johnson, neil@girlbeheard.org

→ APPLY TODAY!
GIRLBEHEARD.ORG/GIRLSMAKEMOVIES

How to turn a documentary idea into a unique, engaging storyline

Tips and tricks for capturing film at home with a smartphone and/or introductory camera

Key production steps to transform a documentary into a final polished product

[Girl Be Heard: Make Movies - Apply Here](#)



The **Van Cortlandt Park Alliance** offers paid internship programs for High School Students: Garden 2 Market Internship and Urban Eco-Teens: **[High School Students Applications are now open for the Urban Eco-Teens Summer 2022 Program.](#)** Deadline is **May 6, 2022.**

Our Artificial Intelligence education program program is taught exclusively by Stanford and MIT alumni and students with years of AI expertise. By the end of the program, students will have completed a mentor-led socially impactful AI project. ***No programming or computer science experience is required.*** We are now accepting applications for our Summer 2022 AI Scholars Live Online Program.



The Planeteer Alliance is a free program open to all young people between the ages of 10-23 who are ready to act for the planet. Learn more **[HERE](#)**.



The Renaissance Charter School is proud to announce the return of the:

Gender & Sexuality Alliance (GSA)

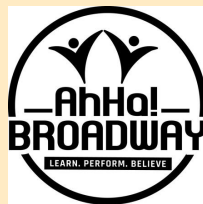
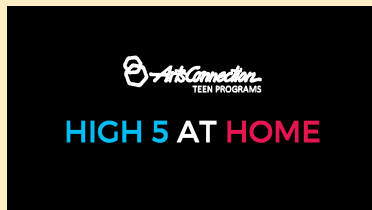
Beginning weekly on Wednesday January 12, 2022 for grades 7-12

3:30 PM to 4:30 PM Auditorium

This group provides a safe supportive space for LGBTQ+ students and their allies. Attendees will learn about LGBTQ+ history with guest speakers and special presentations. In addition, we will explore LGBTQ+ arts, film, TV, fashion, drama, literature, identity, culture and much more!!!

Contact: Brian Belovitch, group leader
with questions or suggestions
brianbelovitch@rencharter.org

Brian, from the GSA, is asking for your support: "This past January we started the Gender and Sexuality Alliance group from 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm on Wednesday in the auditorium. Attendance has been good but we could always use more support. If you could, please announce this group to your students grades 7-12 who might be interested in attending. We will have special guests from diverse backgrounds and refreshments will be served.



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Inspiring all girls
to be strong,
smart, and bold

Girls Inc. of New York City is offering free financial Literacy Skills workshops for ELeментарy and MS girls. Email: millicen@girlsincnyc.org.

High Five Arts Connection has a multitude of opportunities for students, including documentary screenings, student art program, design webinars and more. [Check it out!](#)

AhHa! Broadway Summer Camp is putting on Fame Jr for ages 9-17. Learn more [HERE](#)

For HS Juniors, **The Alice Hoffman Young Writers Retreat at Adelphi University**, July 18 through July 22, 2022, Monday-Friday, 10am-3pm. Students work closely with accomplished writers and artists while participating in an intensive writing workshop. Each student accepted into the program will be awarded a full scholarship covering tuition, fees, and materials. *Applications should be submitted by May 15, 2022.*
Application and Scholarship Information

The New York State Division of Human Rights is holding an art competition open to all K-12 students. Young artists will interpret one of the themes of their choice below:



Division of
Human Rights

- What Fair Housing Means to Me/How Fair Housing Improves Communities
- Racial Healing: A Way Forward
- How Discrimination Feels/Impact of Discrimination (short or long term)
- Which NYS Human Rights Law protection is most important to me

Additional competition guidelines are available here; Students may enter the contest by **completing the entry form** by September 9, 2022.



Free Planet Fitness summer membership for teens aged 14-19! Click [HERE](#) to register

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Opportunities and
Services Near You



Registration is open for the summer Permaculture Camp for rising 3rd-5th graders. The program is from July 5=August 4th, 8:30-4:00 Mondays-thursdays (first week Tuesday-Friday) Register at

<https://discoverdycd.dycdconnect.nyc/program-public?programs=SummerRising>

Put in our zip code 11372 and look for Renaissance Compass 2022-23

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