

# Solomon Principal Newsletter

## December 12, 2022

Dear Solomon Family--

Thank you to all of our volunteers, vendors, and leadership from the Friends of Solomon School Parent Teacher Organization, who made our Holiday Shop a successful and fun event for our students. Check out some pictures from the event in our Snap! Newsletter.

In partnership,

Chris Gamble  
Principal  
Hannah G. Solomon Elementary School

## News and Notes

- The University of Chicago Cultivate survey will be administered to students in grades 5-8 this month during their Library class. For more information on the Cultivate survey, please visit [here](#).
- We are [hosting 3 vaccination events at Solomon](#) this winter, and our next one is Monday, December 12, from 9am-12pm in our lobby. For more information on the vaccines available, please click [here](#). You can make an appointment at that link, and walk-ins are also welcome.
- Join us for our next Local School Council [meeting](#) this coming Tuesday, December 13, at 5:30. You can join us in-person or [online](#).
- We will be sharing information later this week about Solomon WinterFest on Wednesday, December 21, from 5:15-8:00. Save the date for some winter fun with Solomon staff and volunteers!
- The week of December 19 is going to be a fun and busy one at Solomon--WinterFest, a spirit week, and more. It is also the final week of the 2nd Quarter for students, with no school for students on Friday, December 23. 2nd Quarter report cards will travel home with students on Friday, January 13, 2023.
- The Albany Park branch (3401 W. Foster) of the Chicago Public Library hosts homework assistance for students every Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday from 3-6pm. For more information on their programming, click [here](#).
- CIADC (Chicago Industrial Arts and Design Center) offers FREE after school classes for CPS students in grades 6-12. Our next session of classes begins the week of January 2. CIADC's creative industrial arts and design classes give students a chance to learn math, material science, manufacturing, and design in a safe, and welcoming industrial shop setting! Industrial arts is the application arm of classroom learning. Our goals are to generate interest and point towards career pathway options in STEM, Trade, and Art/Design fields. For more information, please visit [here](#).

## Friends of Solomon School Parent Teacher Organization (FOSSPTO)

- Online shopping through Amazon's charitable giving site Amazon Smile gets you what you need, while Amazon gives back to our school. Make sure you log in to [smile.amazon.com](#) and choose Friends of Solomon School Parent Teacher Organization as your designated charity and watch the donations add up!
- To learn more about the mission of the Solomon FOSSPTO, click [here](#).

## Important Solomon Links

- Our Solomon [school organization chart](#), which has the contact information for all of our teachers and staff.
- The [opt-in form](#) for COVID testing for your child at Solomon weekly.
- Our Solomon [breakfast and lunch menus](#).
- Our Solomon [school assessment calendar](#) for the year.
- Our Solomon [merchandise link](#) from our partners at Squadlocker.
- The [volunteer registration form](#) for anyone interested in volunteering at Solomon this year.

## Solomon Calendar

All Solomon community events can be found on our school Google Calendar, linked at the Solomon website, [solomon.cps.edu](https://solomon.cps.edu). You can also view our year-long calendar of community events [here](#).

A few of the important upcoming dates:

- **Tuesday, December 13:** Local School Council meeting, 5:30 (library or virtual)
- **Thursday, December 22:** Last day of 2nd quarter for students
- **Friday, December 23:** No School for Students (School Improvement Day)