CDS invites alumni and parents of alumni to join us for a special Friday Assembly on February 14th!

On Friday, February 14th, CDS invites alumni and parents of alumni to a very special Friday Assembly honoring a CDS graduate with our Josef Cooper Changemaker Award and honoring our current students with our Josef Cooper Changemaker Grants at 8:30 a.m. in the 333 Dolores yard.

The Josef Cooper Changemaker Award and Grant was created to honor Josef’s deep commitment to CDS, to encourage students and alumni to continue to notice where they can make a difference in the world, and to celebrate the roots of changemaking established at CDS and manifested in our students and alumni.

We are excited to announce Nora Hylton, class of 2016, as the first recipient of the Josef Cooper Changemaker Award.
Nora's many achievements embody Josef Cooper's spirit of changemaking. She is passionate about improving youth interaction with the justice system. As a member of the San Francisco Youth Commission and chair of the Youth Commission's Transformative Justice Committee, she spends 10-15 hours a week working with city government, law enforcement, SFUSD, and local non-profits to bring positive reforms to the juvenile justice system.

Nora has worked on several different changemaking projects, including working towards the closure of Juvenile Hall, advocating for change in city policy that raised the minimum age for waiver of Miranda rights from 16 to 18, advocating for the addition of a youth seat to the San Francisco Police Commission, organizing a youth/police round table to improve mutual understanding of community issues, and much more. Nora's actions show that young people don't have to wait until they are adults to make an impact on issues that are important to them.

In addition to Nora's award, we will be presenting Josef Cooper Changemaker Grants to current CDS students who have modeled the changemaking spirit of CDS instilled by Josef.

Coffee will be served at 8:00 a.m. on the yard, with the assembly beginning at 8:30 a.m. We hope to see you there! RSVP to advancement@cds-sf.org.

Without Josef Cooper, the CDS we know and love would not exist. Josef and his wife, Tracy, were the leaders of a group of parents, trustees, and educators who founded Children's Day School as a non-profit to nourish and celebrate diversity and promote justice and respect for all people. Josef had a life-long commitment to student activism and it is this commitment to action the CDS community wishes to celebrate and instill in future generations of CDS students.

--------------

Share your stories!

We are always looking to share stories about CDS alumni. By sharing what's been going on in your life, we can let the entire CDS community know what makes us extraordinary!
Here are a few suggestions for the kind of information we're looking for:

- Do you have a job/internship?
- What classes are you taking?
- Have you been involved in a sport? What position do you play and how did your team do?
- Have you been involved in anything musical or theatrical? Any performances, productions, or events?
- Have you done any service learning projects?
- Have you received an award, been recognized, or had any special experience you would like to share?
- Have you done any traveling?
- Would you like to share something important to you that is not listed above?

Send a short 1-2 paragraph summary to advancement@cds-sf.org with some current highlights and a photo. We look forward to hearing from you.

Stay Connected!
Stay in touch, we want to hear from you! Please email our Advancement team at advancement@cds-sf.org, to give us feedback, update your contact information, sign up to volunteer or just say hello! And now you can tweet, post and message your updates on our Twitter, Facebook, and LinkedIn pages!