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LEADERSHIP BURBANK HOSTS “LAUGHS FOR YOUTH” FUNDRAISER TO BENEFIT JOHN BURROUGHS WELLNESS CENTER

Burbank, CA (March 14, 2017) – The Leadership Burbank Class of 2017 is ready to rock the mic on Sunday, March 19, 2017 when they host “Laughs for Youth” at Burbank’s famous Flappers Comedy Club on 102 E. Magnolia Boulevard. This exciting evening of delightful live comedy and auctions will benefit the Family Services Agency Wellness Center at John Burroughs High School serving high school students in need of support and counseling.

“Laughs for Youth” is part of a \$30,000 fundraising campaign spearheaded by Leadership Burbank’s Class of 2017 to aid the Wellness Center in securing critical supplies, specifically therapeutic books for its library, art therapy supplies, a ceramics kiln, and furnishings for the space.

Tickets for this event are \$20 and can be purchased online at www.FlappersComedy.com, at the door, or through a Leadership Burbank class member. Doors open at 4:00 p.m. with the show beginning at 5:00. A two item food or drink purchase is also required.

Working with some of Burbank’s most vulnerable, the Wellness Center offers troubled teens education and advocacy in a healthy and therapeutic environment. The staff assists students dealing with issues including bullying, grief, self-esteem, alcohol and drug use, peer pressure, and much more. It is a unique community project conducted in partnership with the Family Service Agency (FSA) of Burbank and the Burbank Unified School District (BUSD). With 1 in 5 children showing signs of mental health disorders and 80% never receiving help, the need for the work of the Wellness Center has never been greater.

The Leadership Burbank Class of 2017 understands that despite the incredible benefits the new Wellness Center provides, it is unlikely that a comprehensive school-based mental health program can sustain itself without outside support. They encourage everyone in the community to join them at “Laughs for Youth” and to contribute to the emotional, mental, and academic success of Burbank students and to developing the leaders of tomorrow.

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