

AROUND THE TOWNS



Teachers from Newark and Jersey City spent last weekend learning a new music curriculum to implement in their schools.

SCHOOL NOTEBOOK

NEWARK

They have the music in them ...

Last weekend more than 20 public school teachers from Newark and Jersey City got rocking and rolling during a two-day music workshop designed to help them bring music back to their schools.

The teachers were taking part in a curriculum-training program at Cleveland Elementary School and offered by Little Kids Rock, a nonprofit organization that restores music education to underfunded public schools.

Little Kids Rock has donated more than \$140,000 worth of instruments, music curriculum and music education resources to the schools. The teachers spent the weekend learning the music curriculum they will implement at their schools,

many of which have lost those programs due to budget cuts.

"Both school districts have very dedicated teachers who will undoubtedly transform their children's lives with the resources that we will provide to them," said Little Kids Rock executive director David Wish.

LIVINGSTON

Student pianist to appear with LSO

Livingston High School student Stanley Chernavsky, 14, winner of the 35th annual Young Artists' Concerto Competition, will perform with the Livingston Symphony Orchestra (LSO) at its "Youth and Power" spring concert on Saturday.

Chernavsky, a pianist, will perform Beethoven's Piano Concerto No. 1 in C

Major with the LSO.

Chernavsky began studying piano at age 6 and entered the Juilliard School Pre-College Division in 2008. He is the winner of the American Protégé 2010 International Competition of Romantic Music.

The concert, which will begin 7:30 p.m., will be held at Livingston High School, 30 Robert Harp Drive.

Tickets are \$20, \$15 for seniors and students. Ages 12 and younger are free when accompanied by an adult. Tickets are available at the door.

For more information or advance tickets contact tlkopen@yahoo.com or visit www.lsonj.org.

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