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Dear Audubon Families:

We hope you and your families are doing well. In today's communication, we'll be sharing about Audubon Reopening Plans, last week's ELAC meeting, Counselor's Corner, STEM Fair sign-up, Wee Care Eagles Food Drive

Audubon Reopening Plans

Last week at the SMFCSD Board meeting, the Board gave direction to the District to reopen elementary schools in hybrid Monday, March 1. If we are following previous plans, we'll most likely open in a staggered approach with TK-2 coming on campus on Monday, March 1 followed by grades 3-5 within the next week or two. The Board will provide more details and finalize the March 1st reopening during the next Board Meeting, Thursday, February 18. Once we have additional details, we'll share that information with you as well as the dates of our Hybrid PrinciPALs Orientation Coffee Chat and Hybrid Practice Day. On the hybrid practice day, hybrid students and parents will have the opportunity to come to campus to practice going through the temperature taking stations, practice using the physical distancing markers, walking to their hybrid classrooms, and more. Once we have a definitive reopening date, we'll share the finalized bell and recess schedule with you.

Just in case you missed the reopening plan highlights, here is some previously shared information:

- [Reopening Plan Highlights Part 1](#)
- [Reopening Plan Highlights Part 2](#)

To help us prepare for family communication around Audubon's reopening in the coming weeks, please submit your [Audubon Reopening Questions](#) to us.

ELAC Meeting

On Thursday of last week we held our second ELAC (English Learner Advisory Committee) meeting of the year. We shared information about designated ELD, ELPAC testing procedures, and Reclassification of our English learners along with some valuable resources. Please take a look at [our presentation linked here](#) to get more information about what was shared during the meeting.

Counselor's Corner with Ms. Ari

Every month SMFCSD's Counselor Wellness Team, will share with you stories and guidance based in the 3R's: Routines, Relationships and Regulation, to help your family navigate the everyday puzzles that arise in supporting your learner(s).

- Regulation is the ability to manage impulses and big emotions.
- Relationships between caregiver and child can mitigate the challenges that arise during these difficult times.
- Routines that are consistent, expected and created with your child will support resilience building during difficult times.

See this month's [Pondering Parenting](#) article about cultivating kindness.

6th Annual Audubon STEM Fair Sign-up

Calling all scientists, technologists, engineers & mathematicians! The Audubon PTA is excited to present the 6th Annual STEM Fair at Audubon! This is a great opportunity for students at all grade levels to explore their curiosity. It also gives families a chance to discuss various themes and ideas and develop them into a project! Projects are created entirely at home. On March 24 students will share their projects over a live virtual celebration event. It has been a memorable event in past years and we hope to recreate the same energy this year!

- Students must register in advance in order to participate. Registration closes March 10 and can be completed through this [Audubon Registration Sign-up link](#).
- Information on project guidelines are on the [Audubon PTA Website](#).
- If you have any questions, please contact Kamini Cormier (kamini.cormier@gmail.com) and Angel Haight (angel.haight@gmail.com)

Wee Care Food Drive (Week Two)

This week, Audubon continues our "Souper Bowl" food drive. We are collecting canned or boxed soups for the Samaritan House. Which of our Audubon Eagle grade spans will collect the most food? The Audubon Eagle's Souper Challenge is ON!

- Grade spans TK-2 versus Grades 3-5.
- Use your donation to vote to support your grade level this Monday through Friday.

Collection bins will be in front of the MPR from 7:30 am to 4:00 PM during weekdays.

Remember that Audubon Eagles are Souper sincere about our Wee Care because we hope to help Samaritan House feed others in need. Thank you so much for your support!

Dates to Remember

- School Holiday, Monday, February 15
- End of Trimester 2, March 5
- Deadline to [register for Audubon STEM Fair](#), March 10

Working together, we can accomplish great things!

Best regards,
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