



Audubon Elementary

April 18, 2021

Dear Audubon Families,

Thank you to all the Full-time Distance families who submitted your [selection choices](#) this week. The final decision, whether or not to provide in-person learning for elementary students five days a week starting May 10, will be announced at the SMFC Board Meeting this Thursday, April 22. Our current [hybrid students](#) will continue their current schedule at this time. After the Board decision is made, we'll communicate our next steps with you. In this week's communication, we'll be sharing about the Audubon Talent Show, STEM Fair Celebration & Projects, the Counselor's Corner and Founder's Day Nominations.

Dates to Remember

- Talent Show on Friday, April 23 at 6:00 PM
- Wednesday PD day, April 28

AUDUBON'S GOT (VIRTUAL) TALENT!

Come One, Come All! You're invited to Audubon's first ever virtual talent show on Friday, April 23, from 6:00pm-9:00pm! Music, singing, dance, comedy, cultural performances and other special talents - we hope to see it all in this debut virtual event! Sponsored by the Audubon PTA, this event will promote creative expression in a positive, encouraging and low stress atmosphere. This will be a fun show to attend, even if your student is not a part of the show. [Click here](#) for more information.

STEM Fair Celebration

We are so proud of our Audubon scientists who submitted projects to the STEM Fair. [Click here](#) to see the STEM Fair Celebration presentation with links to the STEM Fair projects. A special thanks to Kamini Cormier, Angel Haight and Robin Barrientos for making this wonderful event possible.

Counseling Corner with Mrs. Ari

Regulation Station ~ Teaching Children to Self-Soothe: In times of stress, we may have a more difficult time recognizing and managing our complex feelings. Your children may not be aware of all the emotions they are feeling within their own bodies and may have difficulty handling intense or difficult emotions on their own. As a parent, modeling can play a pivotal role in teaching

children how to self-regulate. Building opportunities to routinely practice naming emotions and self-soothing can help you and your child better prepare for whatever life brings your way. Building self-regulation techniques into family routines can help strengthen these skills and your child's comfort using them later on. Check out this month's [Pondering Parent Article for more on Teaching Children to Self-Soothe](#).

Lunch Socials

Mrs. Ari is still hosting lunch socials throughout the end of the year. Check out google classrooms for more information and fun social-emotional learning.

- TK-K--Mondays at 12:30p-1:00p ~ Google classroom code **msari21**
- 1st-2nd-- Tuesday at 12:30p-1:00p ~ Google classroom code: **o64vlfs**
- 3rd-4th-- Wednesday 12:30p-1:00p ~ Google classroom code: **y713vae**
- 5th-- Thursday at 12:30-1:00pm ~ Google classroom code **e3vhyux**

AUDUBON PTA FOUNDERS' DAY NOMINATIONS open through Thursday April 22nd

Founders' Day celebrates the legacy and work of the founders of the National PTA. They understood the power of individual action, worked beyond the accepted barriers of their day, and took action to change the world for all children. Please take a moment to nominate one, two or more Audubon community members for our upcoming virtual Founders' Day celebration. We want to celebrate teachers, staff, parents, and other individuals who have made significant contributions to the welfare of children at Audubon - someone who has gone "above and beyond" and is a "valuable asset" to our community.

[Please submit the short nomination form by Thursday, April 22nd.](#) Nominations can be anonymous but please provide your name if you are willing to give further information about the nominee. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Iolanda Matinhos at audubonptavpvolunteers@gmail.com.

Working together, we can accomplish great things!

Best regards,
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