



Dear Lead Community-

Happy Women's History Month! And thank you to everyone who attended last night's Principal Chat about Reopening. We had over 80 participants and two raffle winners! You can view the slide deck presented last night [HERE](#). Please join me next Wednesday, March 10th at 6:00pm for our Lead PTA General Meeting and Board Election as you will be entered to win a \$25 Target gift card for attending on [Zoom](#) and helping select our 2021-2022 Board.

Please expect a Teacher Welcome Email today or tomorrow from your child's teacher with details and schedules that begin March 8. Please know we can no longer make any changes to your child's assignment.

All families with children moving to the hybrid model, you will receive an additional email from me with important reminders about the Frontline Health App, schedules, and protocols. Please watch our Reopening Hybrid Video [HERE in English](#) and [HERE in Spanish](#) and find the needed directions for the Frontline Health App [HERE in English](#) and [HERE in Spanish](#).

All Families (Hybrid and Full-Time Distance Learning) - Music for Minors: If you have not already, please complete this [Google Form](#).

Thank you!

Important Information

Upcoming Lead Family Game Nights: The PTA is excited to host two more virtual game nights. This will be a fun opportunity for the whole family to participate and connect with classmates and other families. The event will be hosted over Zoom and will be in Spanish and English. Can't wait to see you there!!! Please SAVE THE DATE for Fridays 5:30PM - 6:30PM. For 4th and 5th grade families on March 5th, 2021 at <https://groceryoutlet.zoom.us/j/91334583564>. For Preschool, TK, K and 1st grade families on March 12th, 2021 at <https://groceryoutlet.zoom.us/j/94597108525>.

California Healthy Kids Survey for 5th Grade: Please watch for our California Healthy Kids Survey (CHKS), administered during the March 1–12, 2021 survey window and complete your Parent Survey.

Students Returning to In-Person Learning as of March 8: Families Must Acknowledge Receipt of SMFCS D Reopening and Safety Handbook for Families - Please complete this [Google Form](#). As we reopen our schools for in-person learning, it is important that families understand and



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support students to comply with the guidelines set forth in our “SMFCSD Reopening Health and Safety Handbook 2020-2021” ([English](#) | [Spanish](#)).

Lead Book Club: Our teachers have planned their next Book Club and I know many parents have been interested in reading the books we choose. Our next book is *Unpack Your Impact* by Naomi O’Brien and Laneshia Tabb. Find out more about the book and see about purchasing your own copy at <https://laneshatabb.com/unpack-your-impact/>. It would be wonderful for Lead staff and families to come together after reading the book and share their thoughts. Email Mr. Slife if interested.

Family Support: [Pondering Parenting March 2021 - ENGLISH](#) and [Pondering Parenting March 2021 - SPANISH](#).

Yearbook: Please send any photos for our yearbook to leadschoolpics@gmail.com. You can purchase a yearbook by clicking [HERE](#).

COVID and Community Resources for Families: Please visit [SMC's COVID-19 Resources](#) or click on [San Mateo County community resources](#).

School Website: Please visit our school website for more updates and past [Principal Weekly Newsletters](#).

Upcoming Events

February 1-May 31 - ELPAC Testing: All students identified as English Learners will take the ELPAC (English Language Proficiency Assessments for California). Teachers and test examiners will be coordinating the tests with you and your child. Please review information about state and local testing at <https://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/ep/elpacparentresource.asp>.

Thursday, March 4th and Friday, March 5th (ALL DAY) - Asynchronous Learning Days: Author Visits planned on Zoom for ALL Students!

Friday, March 5th (1:00-3:00pm) - Materials Distribution for Kindergarten, First Grade, Second Grade, Third Grade, Fourth Grade, and Fifth Grade: Teachers will keep you updated.

Friday, March 5th (5:30-6:30pm) - Lead Game Night for 4th and 5th Grade Families: The PTA is excited to host virtual game nights. The event will be hosted over Zoom and will be in Spanish and English. For 4th and 5th grade families on Zoom at <https://groceryoutlet.zoom.us/j/91334583564>.

Monday, March 8th at 8:15am - Reopening for Hybrid: Students in the Hybrid model for Preschool SDC and grade TK-2 return on campus. ALL Lead students will transition to their teacher assigned for reopening. Contact the Main Office at (650) 312-7550 if you have any questions.



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Wednesday, March 10 and Thursday, March 11 - Invitation-Only Spring Parent-Teacher Conferences: Teachers will contact families if needing to hold a conference on one of these days. Please note that instruction for all students will end at 12:00pm on both days.

With respect,
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