



Dear Lead Community-

Thank you again and thank you PTA (<https://www.leadpta.org/>) for honoring our teachers and staff for Teacher Appreciation Week last week! Our community continues to grow and become stronger and closer as we work together to best support our students. I am becoming more optimistic about Fall 2021 with the improving health conditions in our county and state. Please continue to stay safe and take care of one another. HOOT with Excellence!

I hope to see many of you online this Tuesday, May 18 from 6-7:30pm for our “**Empowering Lead Parents - Part II**” session with Tereza Iniguez, organized by Ms. Renee (Click [HERE](#) for flyer). Tereza will meet with us again to expand a safer, more welcoming space for parents as we strengthen family and school partnerships. She will also deepen our understanding on the importance of our children’s education and how we, at Lead, embrace cultural diversity.

Please see more information and important dates below.

### [Important Information](#)

**Parent Education Events May 14-19:** Click [HERE](#) for events.

**FREE COVID-19 vaccine clinic at San Mateo High School this Saturday, May 15:** All people in San Mateo County are welcome, ages 16+. Register for an appointment at [myturn.ca.gov](http://myturn.ca.gov) or call 1-833-422-4255. Walk-ups also welcome. Flyer and graphics are [HERE](#) in English and Spanish. Please also visit the vaccine clinic calendar on the County’s website at: <https://www.smchealth.org/vaccine-clinic-calendar>

**Spanish-only Parent Event Samaritan House & Legal Aid:** Sanctuary Task Force is sponsoring a Spanish-only parent event on May 25 at 7:30 PM to learn about resources available at Samaritan House and Legal Aid Society of San Mateo County. Topics discussed will include financial support, legal and immigration support, help applying for benefits like MediCal and CalFresh, and accessing medical and dental services. Parents will join a Google Meet using their students' account or dial-in via phone. The meet is open to all schools in the district but we reach capacity at 250. If we are not able to accommodate all those who wish to attend we will offer the event again. Click [HERE](#) for the flyer.

**FREE Groceries at Mid-Peninsula Boys & Girls Club:** Receive free groceries every Thursday. These include fresh produce, dairy, meat, dry goods and other items. Families need to simply show up to receive food. Click [HERE](#) for more information.

**Yearbook:** Watch Mr. Slife and the Lead Owl ask a student what makes the Lead yearbook so special: <https://youtu.be/zzZPUjZPPvA>. You can purchase your yearbook on the PTA website here: <https://www.leadpta.org/product-page/yearbook-lead-elementary>.

**COVID and Community Resources for Families:** Please visit [SMC's COVID-19 Resources](#) or click on [San Mateo County community resources](#). For vaccinations, please check [www.smcalert.info](http://www.smcalert.info) or [smcalert@smcgov.org](mailto:smcalert@smcgov.org).

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

### [Upcoming Events](#)

**Monday, May 17th to Tuesday, June 15th - CAASPP Testing Window for 3rd, 4th, and 5th grades:** Students in 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade will take the CAASPP (California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress) test in English Language Arts and Math. Please read more by visiting <https://www.caaspp.org/>.



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**Wednesday, May 26th (3:15-4:15pm) - School Site Council (SSC) and English Language Advisory Committee (ELAC) Meeting:** Our Lead SSC and ELAC teams are meeting via [Zoom](#). If you are interested in joining our ELAC, please contact Mr. Slife or Ms. Renee.

**Monday, May 31st - No School in honor of Memorial Day:** Enjoy the day! A little history on the significance of the day can be found [HERE](#).

With respect,  
Mr. Slife  
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