



Dear Lead Elementary School Families-

Thank you so much for all the tokens of appreciation shared with our Lead staff on Valentine's Day! And, if you did not see this already, [please check out our district award recipients HERE!](#)

Please remember to complete your [California School Parent Survey \(CSPS\)](#). Parents/Guardians : We want to know your thoughts about how our school is -

- supporting your child's learning and development
- creating a safe and supportive environment
- welcoming and involving parents in the community

Your survey answers will be anonymous and will help us in our efforts to support all students to achieve their full academic, social and emotional potential. Take the survey [here](#) or if you need help to access the survey, please stop by the school office.

Also, we do not have school this Monday, February 21st in honor of Presidents Day. Enjoy the day!

Please see more information and upcoming important dates below in this week's newsletter.

[Important Information](#)

Internet Access: The SMFCSD is making efforts to ensure that families have equitable internet access. The Technology department is requesting participation for their survey for families that need assistance with internet access. If your family has internet access, you do not need to respond to this survey. The Results of this survey will allow the district to arrange for the distribution of T-Mobile hotspots to families that currently do not have internet access. If your student does not have access to the internet at home please participate in [this survey](#). Thank you for your participation.

Spring Picture Day: Thursday, March 3rd is Spring Picture Day and a Free Dress Day. We need volunteers to help get students to the right location and assist with various aspects of picture day. As a bonus, volunteers will be compensated with free photographs. Please sign up with the link below. Please also note the requirement for all volunteers to have their full Covid-19 vaccine series. Sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4CABAC23A2F9C43-volunteers3>

COVID Testing: Pool testing continues at Lead every Tuesday. The link is [here](#) in English and Spanish. Click on Español in the upper right corner to view the form in Spanish. The passcode is LEAD2021. For more information on districts support for COVID cases, visit our "[Safe Return to School](#)" page. View the [February COVID-19 School Site Testing Calendar with Virus Geeks](#) for further information on locations and dates available. All SMFCSD's families can register onsite. Please remember that if your child is showing COVID-19 symptoms, please, keep them home. Get them tested as soon as possible.



February Meals Menu: Please [click HERE](#) to see our district menu for student meals.

Playworks from Coach Thomas: Playworks will start a new Classroom Game Time cycle this week. Focus will be on safe play. Junior Coaches meet on Wednesday after school from 12:45pm to 2:45pm.

Book Fair Volunteers: We will be holding an in person book fair this year from March 16-23, we will need parents volunteers to help with setup the week prior, and then the week of as well. Please contact Ms. Shannon in the Library or email smcgovern@smfcsd.net if you are interested in helping!

[Upcoming Events](#)

Monday, February 21st (ALL DAY) - No School in honor of Presidents Day: There will be no school this day for this federal holiday.

Wednesday, March 2nd (ALL DAY) - Neon Colors Spirit Day: Encourage your child to show school spirit by wearing clothes that are bright and neon colors. Students who dress up for Spirit Day do not need to wear their regular school uniform on this special day.

Wednesday, March 2nd (3:00-4:00pm) - School Site Council and English Language Advisory Committee Meeting: Please contact Mr. Slife at cslife@smfcsd.net or 650-312-7550 for the Zoom information to join the SSC and ELAC meeting.

Wednesday, March 2nd (7:00-8:30pm on Zoom) - Lead Principal Virtual Chat & PTA Meeting: Please attend our Principal Chat and PTA Meeting for families on Zoom with Mr. Slife in English and Spanish.

Thursday, March 3rd - Spring Picture Day and Free Dress: Look out for more information soon.

Friday, March 4th - End of Trimester 2: This marks the end of our second of 3 trimesters.

[For Your Consideration](#)

Lunar New Year Celebrations - Saturday Feb 19 - [Chinese New Year Festival & Parade](#) in San Francisco

Food Resources in San Mateo: Please [click HERE](#).

Free Grocery Distribution:

- [Second Harvest Food Distribution Sites San Mateo Foster City English](#)
- [Second Harvest Food Distribution Sites San Mateo Foster City - SPANISH](#)



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Respectfully,
Mr. Chad Slife

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