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Falcons were born to fly.

This message was sent via school messenger & synergy to all grades

<u>CHINESE/中文</u> <u>ESPANOL</u>

December 6, 2022

Dear VVMS Families,

As always, please don't hesitate to reach out with any questions, concerns, or feedback. We want to hear from you! Please see below for some important information.

In Community, Courtney & John

New Information:

SSC Meeting TOMORROW December 7

Our next SSC meeting will be Wednesday, December 7 at 5:45 pm via Zoom. Zoom link below. All are welcome at this meeting. The meeting is in English, but we have Spanish and Chinese translation. We will be discussing upcoming community schools funding, as well as receive an update from the SF Recreation and Parks Department. We hope to see you there!

Join Zoom Meeting

https://sfusd.zoom.us/j/4861860015?pwd=QnBRcVVTTjB3ZFNpczFOc1pidkFvZz09

Meeting ID: 486 186 0015

Passcode: 045911

Upcoming Parent Meeting TOMORROW December 7

Our next parent meeting for parents of English Language Learner students will be Wednesday, December 7 at 10:00 am. We hope to see you there! This meeting will be in person in the school cafeteria.

Caregiver Workshop TONIGHT

There is a Parenting/Caregiver session on <u>December 6th</u>. Below is an overview of the session. You can register at any time prior to the session and will get the zoom link to participate. Families can register using the registration link: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/409998896737

Session Overview

This session will offer parents and caregivers practical tools for guiding their children to make compassionate and responsible decisions, for themselves and in their relationships with others. We'll offer some insights for navigating complex or challenging conversations that can arise, and share an easy-to-use problem solving protocol to use in coaching your child to greater resilience and independence.

Additionally translated series information flyers are linked below:

- Series Information English
- Series Information Chinese
- Series Information- Vietnamese
- Series Information Tagalog
- Series Information Spanish

Accessing ParentVUE and StudentVUE

ParentVUE, StudentVUE, AdminVUE, and Online Forms (school applications) are currently available. If you are using a web browser, you can still log in via portal.sfusd.edu. For ParentVUE and StudentVUE mobile app using:

- Android: reinstall the mobile app using the steps provided on the <u>ParentVUE website</u>.
- iPhone or iPad: You will see an error message. Click OK and enter your zip code, then log in.

Important Reminders

EPC is Open Tuesday Evenings for Virtual Appointments

Many SFUSD families work during the hours the EPC is typically open. To be available for these families, we're open from 6-7 pm on Tuesdays for Virtual Appointments in English and Spanish. Click here to schedule!

Multipurpose Family Income Form

The Multipurpose Family Income Form is a required form. Filling out this form can give eligible families benefits such as discounts on utility bills, SAT fee waivers, and more. The school may also receive funding based on the number of forms completed. Please fill out the form at schoolcafe.com, if you have not done so already. Here is a link to more information and instructions on filling out the form: https://www.sfusd.edu/services/health-wellness/nutrition-school-meals/apply.

These messages have been seen in previous family communications:

Important New Cell Phone Policy

We have a no cell phone policy that we are strictly enforcing on campus this year. Cell phones are distracting to student's learning, so they will not be allowed for any reason, except during lunch. If your student has a cell phone, airpods, or other electronic device out, we will take the device and return it at the end of the day. In short, our policy is that if we see a cell phone or other electronic device out, we will hold onto the device until the end of the day. Students have been doing well with this policy, but we need your support. We ask that if you need to get a hold of your student for any reason, you call the front office. We will pull the student from class, if they need to talk with you or we will ensure they get any message. Thank you for your partnership in this.

Reminder - No Ordering Food Via Apps to School Campus

We do NOT allow food deliveries to campus. If you want your child to have special food for lunch, please send them to school with the food. You may also bring food for them during lunch time. If you bring food for your child, please drop it off at the front office, and we will call for your student to come pick it up during their lunch hour. Also, we are not allowing parents to use food delivery apps to order food for their child. It causes too much confusion. If food is delivered from a delivery app, we will not allow them to have the food, and we will notify you. We have food every day in our cafeteria that each student can eat for no charge.

What To Do If Your Student is Sick OR Tests Positive for COVID 19?

There are no new updates to our COVID safety policies and procedures for the upcoming school year. Masks will be strongly recommended, but not required for students or staff at VVMS, per SFUSD and public health guidelines. If your student is sick or tests positive for COVID 19, please contact the front office at **415-469-4590** immediately. Do NOT contact any of your child's teachers. It is important we are aware of any COVID-related illness for tracking and attendance purposes.

ParentVue

ParentVue is how you can access important information about your child's education in SFUSD. If you need help with signing up for ParentVue, please contact Julie Lam (lamj2@sfusd.edu) or Adriana Pereira (pereiraa@sfusd.edu). They can help and also provide you with an activation key. Visit sfusd.edu/parentvue for more information.

Online Internet Safety

As children between the ages of 11 and 13 make the transition to a more independent stage with the move to secondary school, they become more confident internet users with more varied habits. Internet use can be hugely positive for children, but it's vital to continue discussing online safety with them. We encourage parents to discuss internet and online safety with your child, as we have had incidents of students engaging with strangers on the internet. As a school, we are delivering lessons about safe online habits in advisory. Here are some tips for how to discuss this with your child.