

Visitacion Valley Middle School

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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:**Student Led Conferences Happening This Week!**

Friendly reminder that student led conferences are happening this week. School dismisses every day this week at 2:15. If you have not set up a conference yet, please call the school, so we can put you in touch with your student's advisor.

School Site Council Meeting Next Wednesday in Person at 4:30 pm

We will be having our school site council meeting next Wednesday at 4:30 pm at VVMS. Anyone is welcome to attend these meetings. Next Wednesday, we will be approving how we will use our title 1 funds for next school year.

IMPORTANT: Wellness Center Update

This semester we will be working to provide COVID shots, boosters, flu shots, and eye exams. We will also be working on rising 7th grader Tdap compliance. We have sent home permission forms for students to receive glasses on **March 17**. A vision van will come to VVMS and provide students with free glasses! Please return the permission forms and have students attend school that day. COVID, fall sports physicals, and Flu shots will occur on **April 11**. If you want to sign up your child, don't hesitate to contact Ms. Kendra. There may be times when one of us reaches out, and you can also contact us. **If there are any questions or concerns, feel free to call the school or email Kendra (twenterk@sfusd.edu)**, We will offer FREE covid booster shots and FREE flu shots for students on April 11! If you would like your student to participate, please [click here](#).

We want to hear your feedback - Please fill out Survey!

Thank you so much to those of you who have been able to attend our parent meetings either in person or on Zoom to share your feedback as we plan for next school year. If you have not been able to attend, please take some time to [complete this survey here](#). It is translated in English, Spanish, and Chinese.

VVMS Family Culture and Climate Survey Link

Dear Families and Caregivers,

Please use the link below to complete a short survey about your feelings about the Visitacion Valley Middle School. This survey is very important to helping us understand how we can improve the school, so please be sure you fill one out before March 15th! We want to hear every family's voice!

<http://bit.ly/38Js96a>

Important Reminders

ESL and Citizenship Preparation Classes Available

City College of San Francisco (CCSF) offers free English as a Second Language (ESL) and Citizenship preparation classes for adults. *SFUSD neither endorses nor sponsors the organization or activity described in this announcement. This distribution is provided as a community service.*

Free Dental Screening at UCSF

UCSF's Children's Night Clinic (CNC) offers free preventive treatment to uninsured children 15 years old and under one night each month. [Find out more here!](#)

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 [ParentVUE website](#).
- iPhone or iPad: You will see an error message. Click OK and enter your zip code, then log in.

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](https://www.sfusd.edu/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.

