## **Visitacion Valley Middle School**

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Falcons were born to fly.

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

## September 28, 2022

Dear VVMS Families,

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:**

#### **IMPORTANT SSC Elections**

Our School Site Council (SSC) is a governing body that does the below things. The SSC is a very important part of our school. Every two years, we must hold elections. Please vote for the parents you wish to serve on the SSC here. If you are interested in serving as well, there is a spot to add your name to the ballot. Please vote as soon as possible!!

- Decide how to spend school money
- Discuss improvements for the school
- Meets monthly to review data and progress toward school goals

The first SSC meeting will be next **Wednesday, October 5 from 5:45 - 6:45** via ZOOM. Anyone can attend SSC meetings. You do not have to be an elected member to attend the meetings.

### **Important Reminders**

### **Latinx Heritage Month Celebration**

This Friday, September 30, we will be having a celebration to honor Latinx people and heritage. The event will begin at 3:00 during the school day and go until 5:30. We hope you can join us! There will be food, games, fun, and raffle prizes.

## **Upcoming Enrollment Fair**

The Enrollment Fair for the 2023-2024 school year will be virtual for grades 6-12. This is an important event for our 8th grade students and families, so you can learn about high schools. The enrollment fair will be Monday, October 24 - Thursday, October 27 from 5 pm to 7 pm. More information here.

## **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 <a href="schoolcafe.com">schoolcafe.com</a>, if you have not done so already. Here is a link to more information and instructions on filling out the form: <a href="https://www.sfusd.edu/services/health-wellness/nutrition-school-meals/apply">https://www.sfusd.edu/services/health-wellness/nutrition-school-meals/apply</a>.

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 (<a href="mailto:lamj2@sfusd.edu">lamj2@sfusd.edu</a>) or Adriana Pereira (<a href="mailto:pereiraa@sfusd.edu">pereiraa@sfusd.edu</a>). They can help and also provide you with an activation key. Visit <a href="mailto:sfusd.edu/parentvue">sfusd.edu/parentvue</a> for more information.