Visitacion Valley Middle School

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Falcons were born to fly.

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

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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:

Grades

Quarter 1 grades will be submitted on October 19. You can expect to receive your child's report card shortly after that.

FREE COVID Boosters and Flu Shots On Campus November 1

We will be offering FREE covid booster shots and FREE flu shots for students on November 1st! If you would like your student to participate, please click here.

Save the Date! Student Led Conferences

Student Led Conferences will be held the week of November 14-18. Please save the date. More information to come!

${\sf SSC}$

Our next SSC meeting is November 2 at 5:45 PM. Agenda and Zoom link to come!

Important Reminders

Message for 8th Grade Families - California Healthy Youth Act

<u>Please see this letter here</u> regarding the California Healthy Youth Act. The California Healthy Youth Act requires that comprehensive sexual health education and human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) prevention education be taught to students at least once in middle school and once in high school.

Sports Physicals

If your student is playing volleyball, boys and girls basketball, or girls soccer, they will need a sports physical before being able to play. The coaches have forms that can be provided for the doctor to fill out. If getting a physical is a hardship, reach out to Kendra (twenterk@sfusd.edu) in the wellness center.

Upcoming Vision Screening

Starting at the end of November, Nurse Rait will begin doing vision screenings for students. This will not be a full eye exam but will assess the student's need for corrective lenses. At the moment, we are looking for community resources in providing glasses to students.

Breakfast in the Classroom

Breakfast is served daily in the classroom now! Mr. Waters has organized different breakfast meals to be served each morning. Students will need to be in their first hour class on Monday or advisory each morning to get breakfast. The meals are served from 9:30 am until 9:45 am.

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 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.