

EL SEMANARIO

Edison Language Academy –March 28- April 1, 2022



Announcements

Covid Test Prior to Return from Spring Break --

SMMUSD is requiring that all students and staff present a negative Covid antigen test upon returning to school after spring break. On Monday, March 28 and staff are being provided with a testing kit to be used the morning the individual returns to school. Save this test for use on the morning of April 18. A negative test result is your child's "ticket" to return to school on the 18th. Bring the completed negative test to the gate that first morning back for admission.

Minimum Day April 1 – A reminder that this Friday, April 1 is a Minimum Day. On Minimum Days, PreK, TK, and Kindergarten classes dismiss at 12:30 pm. Grades 1 and 2 dismiss at 2:35 pm and Grades 3,4,5 dismiss at 2:50 pm. Please mark your calendars for this earlier than normal dismissal.

Intensive Intervention Summer School (IISS) If your child has received an invitation for the IISS program, make sure to return the application by Friday, April 1 to hold the space.

The District Climate Survey is still open and as of Friday we had only 40 respondents are from Edison. This short survey is designed to understand the perspective of staff, parents and guardians, and secondary students about the district's culture and climate. Your responses will help the district ensure that it meets the needs of students, parents, and staff, consistent with the district's goals. If you have not yet had a chance to spend the estimated 10 minutes that it will take to complete the survey, will you please do so in order that our school may have a more representative response rate.

Please use the following link to take the survey: <https://bit.ly/ClimateSurvey22> Thank you.

Science in the Garden – We have just finished a second eight-week cycle of Science in the Garden lessons thanks to our stretch grant from the Santa Monica Education Foundation. Last year, Site Council funded the development of a series of science lessons in Spanish to be taught in conjunction with hands-on explorations in the Edison garden – including harvesting and sampling produce grown in the garden. This year, we are using those lessons to serve classes with weekly lessons in the garden. In this cycle, our Swiss Chard, tomato, and herb crops were particularly plentiful and students enjoyed sampling both salad with baby chard and an African stew featuring this organic produce. Our third and last cycle begins the week after we return from Spring Break. Thanks to several volunteer parents who are taking on watering duties during Spring Break to keep our new seedlings growing!

From the Principal's Desk: Planning for Spring

When we return from Spring Break, we begin our last instructional cycle of the 2022-2023 school year. In the classrooms, teachers use mid-year assessment data to continue to help students move toward mastery of year-end standards and also launch culminating projects. Please mark your calendars for our annual celebration of student academic growth -- Open House on May 26. We are delighted to be able to plan for an in-person Open House this year, with students in Preschool through 2nd grade showing their work from 5:00-6:00 pm and students in grades 3-4-5 hosting parents in their classrooms from 6:30-7:30 pm. There will also be a Minimum Day on May 26 to provide teachers with a little extra time to set up for this evening event. Open House is a special evening to celebrate your child's hard work and growth this year and we hope that all families will be able to join us on campus.

PTA is planning a Family Movie Night – outdoors on the Edison field -- the evening of April 22 showing the movie Encanto! Bring your lawn chairs, blankets, etc. and gather on the field with your Edison family to enjoy this wonderful movie about a magical Colombian family, shown in Spanish. PTA is still organizing for possible food sales, snacks, popcorn, etc. Mark your calendars!

This spring, our 3-4-5th grade student students also participate in the California state achievement tests (CAASPP). Fifth graders begin the last week of April with the 5th grade science test and all 3-4-5 graders take the Mathematics and English Language Arts tests the first weeks of May. Culminating district and school assessments also take place beginning mid-May.

Schoolwide, we prepare for the 2022-2023 school year by admitting and enrolling students for preschool, transitional kindergarten, and kindergarten. The last of first-round admissions offers for TK and K will be going out before Spring Break and applications for Preschool are due April 15. Right after Spring Break, we'll also ask current families to let us know your plans for 2022-2023 so that we can identify any possible vacancies in grades 1-5 for the coming year and begin filling those spots.

More details to come upon return from Spring Break on 5th grade activities – a dance performance, a Saturday Math Olympiad (May 21), and plans for 5th grade promotion.

Wishing your family a healthy and enjoyable two-week Spring Break!