

EL SEMANARIO



Edison Language Academy
September 20-24, 2021

Announcements

Santa Monica Boys and Girls Club After School Child Care is available at the Lincoln Blvd. Clubhouse location for a \$20.00 registration fee for the year and a \$400.00 transportation fee. There is a van that picks children up at Edison; parents pick up at the end of the day at the clubhouse. There are still three spots in the van if you're still looking for afterschool care. Transportation fee can be waived for families with financial need. Children can stay as late as 7:00 pm if needed. Space is still available; contact www.smbgc.org for more information or to register.

Afterschool Sports Leagues on the Edison Campus—Santa Monica Boys and Girls club will also be offering sports leagues on the Edison campus after school. Please see the attached flyers for more details. Scholarships are available based on financial need.

September is School Attendance Month – Did you know that students with chronic absences in Kindergarten (twice per month is considered chronic) have lower achievement in 5th grade? Please work to avoid any non-essential absences over the course of the year. When children must be out, please check with the teacher for homework, have children read every day they are home, and request an independent study packet for any absences longer than five days. Working together we can maximize children's learning time and on-campus attendance!

CREST Enrichment Classes – The start date for these classes has been pushed back to October 4 to allow for on-boarding of new CREST staff. The fall session will be pro-rated to account for an 8-week rather than a 10-week session.

Edison Site Council meets next Wednesday, September 22 to continue work on our 2021-2022 Single Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA). This year's Site Council (elected by peers) includes parents: Idurre Alonso, Gina Engler, José Felipe Martinez, Francine Ortega, Valeria Vega and school staff: Aida Díaz-Roquette, Diane Gonzalez, Camila Mejia, Constanza Murcia, and Lori Orum.

From the Principal's Desk

For the rest of September and all of October, we have no holidays or minimum days –just the gift of six weeks of uninterrupted prime teaching and learning time!

We continue to be careful and cautious with safety protocols for screening, testing, masking and social distancing to help avoid Covid-related absences and keep school open. Our master schedule keeps students separated by class and provides supervision to help keep safety protocols in place. **The students and staff have been doing an amazing job following these safety routines and students have adapted very well to the weekly PCR testing.**

As we finish with fall diagnostic assessments, we analyze the results so we can match students with the support they need to move forward – in the classroom and/or with support from reading and language interventionists. Language and Literacy Interventionist Rocio Naranjo-Badillo, focuses primarily on upper grade students and English learners) and works to improve literacy in English. Reading Intervention Teacher John Ellis provides Spanish reading support for 1st and 2nd graders and second semester Kindergartners to make sure our early learners have a strong foundation in Spanish reading.

Teachers will be sharing the results of diagnostic assessments so you can see your child's strengths and areas where growth is needed this year. They also send weekly emails to keep you informed about the skills and topics to be taught, and any special events for the week ahead. The weekly update will let you see how homework fits with in-class learning objectives and make it easier to provide support at home.

We're observing National Hispanic Heritage month and learning about the contributions of the Latinx community. And as we get ready for our school's annual Día de los Muertos celebration, we're learning about different ways of remembering and celebrating the lives loved ones who have passed on.

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