

SAMOHI ELAC Semester 1

Individually we are one drop. Together, we are an ocean.---Ryunasuke Satoro.

January 2022

Hello everyone. Want to share with you what has been going on here at SAMOHI with our English Learners (ELs) and our ELAC-English Learner Advisory Committee, the elected committee which supports our ELs.

1. We have now hosted 4 Flex-Time sessions by grade level, to provide the pertinent information about why our students are in the category of ELs and what each needs to reclassify, meaning, which requirements are necessary and why it is important to reclassify. The presentation shared with the students is posted on our website.
2. We imparted the message to the students the value of being bilingual or simply speaking more than one language, and be proud of owning that part of their heritage. Also, the significance of speaking more than one language will set them apart when it comes to career goals.
3. In the presentation, we also discussed there is a link to practice for the STAR exam.
4. Students are invited to attend our ELAC meetings. Advocating for themselves is important as they can contribute to make improvements based on their own experiences. When students attend meetings, they can get credit to clear up attendance.
5. At each session, students were entered in a drawing for attending. 9 students won Starbucks gift cards!! Students love their Starbucks!
6. October 2021 SAMOHI hosted a symposium which served to give information about the goals, objectives and supports to our English Learners. This presentation is also on our website.

ELAC Meeting

Thank you to all the families that showed up to our ELAC Meeting on November 22, where our principal Dr. Shelton presented on the School Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA).

We had a great interactive presentation and an important discussion about our ELs and families here at SAMOHI. The presentation is also available on our website.

The families were also very lucky to ALL win Starbucks gift cards for attending this meeting. That was a big surprise! All families and students will be entered into a raffle each time they attend our meetings. Good luck!

Gift Card Winners November 22, 2021

*Norberto Montes

Ana Martinez

Ninfa Hernandez

*Nilda Suazo
Lucy Prieto
Nargiza Janabay
*Claudia Garcia
Yolanda Perez
Corina Gutierrez
Roxana Gonzalez
Lorena Villafana
Gaby Cardenas
Marcelina Garcia

We need a DELAC Representative for this school term. The DELAC Representative represents our school at the District level ELAC (DELAC). This officer attends DELAC meetings, attends our ELAC meetings and reports at both meetings. The meetings are once a month, 9-11 a.m. via Zoom. Please consider helping us with this position. We will also need a new ELAC president, Secretary.

If you have any questions about this information, please contact Johanna De La Rosa, jdelarosa@smmusd.org or 310-395-3204, extension 71523.

Next ELAC meeting will be January 31, 6:30 p.m. via Zoom. Please be there.

Presentations are available for viewing on our website at:

<https://www.smmusd.org/domain/646>