

Dear Lead Community-

This newsletter includes a very important update on our Facilities Master Plan as well as highlights for Halloween coming up this weekend and our very important Election Day in the United States next Tuesday, November 3.

This is an update for the Facilities Master Plan (FMP) for the New Decade and what it includes for Lead Elementary School. First, a little background for those who are new to Lead or interested in what led up to the FMP. Last year, the District embarked on the development of a Facilities Master Plan for the New Decade which was adopted by the Board of Trustees on July 30, 2020. The adoption of the FMP came after months of input from staff and parents at our school and each school in the District during the first half of 2020 and the District's finalization of the Plan before presentation to the Board of Trustees. Not only was each school community asked to identify facility needs, each school's School Facilities Team, comprised of staff and parent leaders, was encouraged to provide its recommendations of all of the facilities needs to be included in the FMP for the New Decade and its recommended priorities to be addressed as Immediate Priorities in the FMP.

I am excited to report that the **Immediate Priorities** for Lead address many of our needs and priorities as well as those identified Districtwide in the months after Shelter-in-Place began. The **Immediate Priorities** identified for all schools are 1) to provide improved safe and healthy environments needed as a result of what we've learned from the current COVID-19 crisis as well as the increasing number of wildfires and 2) to address needs that are specific to our school and possibly other sites.

Please find all the details of our Facilities Master Plan <u>HERE</u>. <u>Important Information</u>

Drive-Thru Food Distribution Dates for November-January: See flyer from One Life HERE

San Mateo-Foster City School District - Community Listening Session - Topic: School and Community Safety: See flyer in English and Spanish

School Website: Please visit our school website for more updates and past Principal Weekly Newsletters.

Upcoming Events

Friday, October 30 (All Day) - Halloween Costumes: Students are welcome to celebrate Halloween by wearing their Halloween costumes while learning online with their teacher and classmates.

Monday, November 2 (6:00-8:00pm) - San Mateo-Foster City School District - Community Listening Session - Topic: School and Community Safety: This session will provide a safe space for our students, parents and community members to be heard and heal alongside District leadership; listen to and learn the needs of students around school safety; and redefine school safety and the role of police in schools. Please click on the





<u>Zoom link</u> (Meeting ID: 867 2687 3488; Passcode: 900935). For questions or comments please email Dianne Willoughby, Coordinator of Community Services, at dwilloughby@smfcsd.net.

Tuesday, November 3 (All Day) - Election Day in the United States: Please make your voice count by casting your ballot in this year's national and local elections.

Wednesday, November 4 (All Day) - College Spirit Day: Encourage your child to show school spirit by wearing college and university clothing while learning online.

Wednesday, November 4 (6:00-7:00pm) - Lead Principal Virtual Chat: Join us to meet other primary parents and help answer all of their questions about the school year and your child's learning. The Zoom Meeting link will be available soon in an email and in the Class Dojo.

Friday, November 6th (1:00-3:00pm) - Materials Distribution for Grades K-5: Please come to our Lead campus to pick up important school materials for your child if in Kindergarten-Fifth Grade. Preschool SDC is tomorrow October 30 and TK is on November 13.

With respect, Mr. Slife cslife@smfcsd.net

Chad Slife, Principal

Phone: (650) 312-7550 | http://lead.smfcsd.net/



"Lead Owls HOOT with excellence!"