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Sacramento Valley Charter School Parent Newsletter

Dear Parents,

One year ago, almost to the day, we said goodbye to our school and hello to distance learning to protect our community from an unwanted virus. We have made many adjustments this year and now we see a light at the end of a long tunnel-and it's called vaccination! But still there are too many unanswered questions. In the remaining seven weeks of school, transitioning to a hybrid schedule along with virtual (asynchronous and synchronous) modes, won't be as easy as it looks. If the next school year will be fully in-person is still uncertain, and there is no predictable outcome. However, the hope of a normal school year is brighter than ever after the release of the vaccine.

*SVCS has been busy working on a safe return to school. Yolo county, as of March 24th, 2021 is in the Tier 3 (orange stage,) which allows us to open schools with 3ft distance of desks instead of the 6ft recommendations prior to this date. With the survey results, we have a better understanding of how many families want to return to school and how many families will continue from home. Beginning April 1st, we will have our Kindergarten, First, and Second grade scholars on our hybrid schedule, followed by our Third, Fourth, and Fifth grade beginning on April 15th, and finally middle school will start on April 22nd. Students will be in-person for two days a week. K-5 will attend class from 8:30am-12:00pm and middle school will meet from 12:30pm-3:30pm in-person. We will have an **A** group and a **B** group of learners. Group **A** will attend in person on Mondays and Tuesdays. Group **B** will attend in person on Thursdays and Fridays. Every Wednesday is dedicated to teacher synchronous and asynchronous work. Students will attend Art/Punjabi classes during this time.*

Arab-American Heritage Month: April is the month to focus on Arab-American heritage. Mesopotamia (Iraq) gave us a writing system now believed to be 5500 years old. Mosaic, an art form, originated in Arab.

Tartan (Scottish-American) Heritage Month: April is also the month to highlight Scottish American heritage that flourished after early immigrants settled here.

What to Do Before Sending Your Scholar to School: If you have opted for sending your scholar to school, check for any of the following symptoms before sending to school: fever, coughs, chill, runny nose, headache. Consult your doctor, if you notice any of the above symptoms and don't send your scholar to school. In case of exposure to Corona virus is confirmed, please let the office know as soon as possible. For more information, please visit the following link: [How to Protect Yourself & Others](#)

Home Based Screening Guidelines: The CDC does not currently recommend schools conduct symptom screening for all students in grades K-12 on a routine (e.g., daily) basis. However, parents, caregivers, or guardians (“caregivers”) are strongly encouraged to monitor their children for symptoms of infectious illness every day through home-based symptom screening. For more information please visit the following link: [Screening K-12 Students for Symptoms of COVID-19](#)

Transportation Schedule only for April 1st-2nd:

Natomas Route 1 (Mrs. Bagri)

Stop #	Specific Area for Pick Up	AM Pickup	PM Drop Off
1	Regency Community Park (Honor Pkwy and Bill Bean Cir)	7:50 am	1:00pm

Natomas Route 2 (Mrs. Bagri)

Stop #	Specific Area for Pick Up	AM Pickup	PM Drop Off
1	East Commerce & Amelia Earheart	7:35 am	12:45pm
2	Del Paso & Walgreen Plaza	7:20am	12:30pm
3	Guilmont Dr & Orcutt Cir	7:10am	12:20pm

Elk Grove Route 3 (Mr. Singh)

Stop #	Specific Area for Pick Up	AM Pickup	PM Drop Off
1	7733 Elk Grove-Florin Road (Gurdwara Sahib Dashmesh Darbar)	7:05 am	12:50pm
2	7407 Elsie Ave (Motel 6)	7:20am	1:05pm
3	8120 Timberlake Way (Target Shopping Center, in front of Urgent Care)	7:30am	1:25pm

Elk Grove Route 4 (Mr. Gill)

Stop #	Specific Area for Pick Up	AM Pickup	PM Drop Off
1	Blossom Ridge and Milner	7:05 am	12:50pm
2	10064 Shana Way	7:20am	1:15pm

Please call the office to confirm West Sacramento routes!

Talking to Teachers During Class: We encourage parents to reach out to their child's teachers, but not during the class time. It is detrimental to other students when parents try to disrupt teachers during their teaching time. If you would like to talk with your child's teacher, please set an appointment time with them.

The Talent Show will be held virtually over Zoom on Friday, April 2nd, at 2pm. Students and families will be sent a Zoom meeting link so that anyone in the SVCS community can watch. Although we cannot have a live event, scholars and staff still work hard to make this event possible. Come and enjoy the performances of our outstanding and talented students!

School Site Council: The next School Site Council meeting will be held on Friday, April 2nd, at 5:30pm. Thank you to the parents and staff who have volunteered to be a part of this council. The meeting will be held via Zoom. All are welcome to participate in this meeting. The Zoom Link will be posted to our school calendar.

Spring Break, April 5 through April 12 Spring break gives some respite to our scholars who work hard around this time. The remaining six weeks of time is set aside for preparing for the state standardized tests. Last year due to the pandemic, these tests were canceled. However, both state and federal governments have insisted that these tests be administered this year to all scholars, grade 3 through 8. The tests have been modified to accommodate the loss of learning. As our scholars come back from the break, they will be preparing for CAASPP assessments in ELA, math, science, and physical education. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the office.



Scholars being honored in our monthly awards assembly

Awards Assembly: The next awards assembly will be held on Wednesday, April 21st. Teachers will be sharing the Zoom link so that students and parents can join the assembly. The assembly will be broken down in the following way:

K-3rd @ 1:00pm 4th-5th @ 1:45pm 6th-8th @ 2:30pm

Free Dress Day is every Friday! Please make sure students are wearing their uniforms other days of the week. The uniform is an indication of your scholar's readiness to learn, compete and excel.

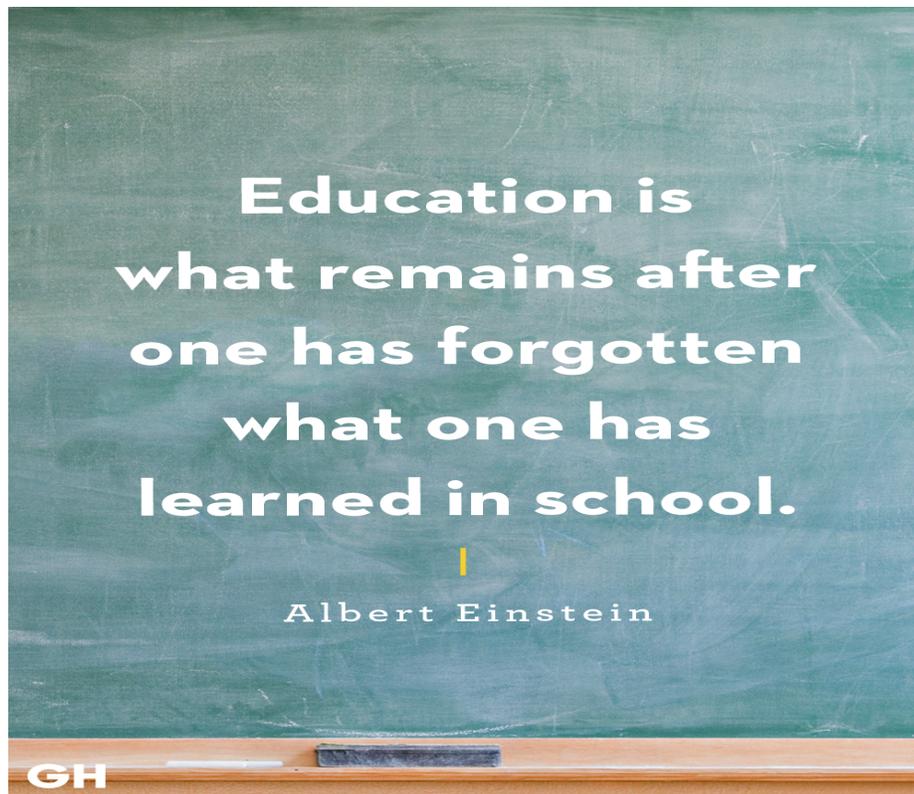
Truancy: If a scholar doesn't attend school due to illness or any other reasons, he/she may be marked unengaged/truant if the office is not notified. The increasing rate of truancy does not reflect well on our school. Please make sure to call/notify the office to avoid this kind of situation.

Quiet Place for Study: Please assign your scholars a quiet place for attending online school. Make sure they have access to the internet and a computer. If you need a Chromebook, don't hesitate to contact the office. Please make an online school schedule for your scholars to get ready after they shower, eat breakfast, and properly dress up for online meetings.

Assignments Monitoring: Keep in contact with your scholars' teachers to know how you can check their assignments and completed work. All Subjects are equally important. Attendance is a key to success.

Dates to Remember

Friday, April 2nd-Talent Show @2pm
Friday, April 2nd- Site Council Meeting @5:30pm
Monday, April 5-Monday, April 12-Spring Recess
Monday, April 26, begin CAASPP testing



**HYBRID SCHEDULE
GRADES K - 5**

Schedule	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:30 - 9:10	A Group (in Class) B Group (Virtual) Simulcast Class Meeting	A Group (in Class) B Group (Virtual) Simulcast Class Meeting	1 hour Check-in Punjabi schedule	B Group (in Class) A Group (Virtual) Simulcast Class Meeting	B Group (in Class) A Group (Virtual) Simulcast Class Meeting
9:10 - 11:15	A Group (in Class) B Group (Independent)	A Group (in Class) B Group (Independent)	Punjabi schedule	B Group (in Class) A Group (Independent)	B Group (in Class) A Group (Independent)
11:25 - 12:00	Lunch in Classroom / Dismissal	Lunch in Classroom / Dismissal	Lunch	Lunch in Classroom / Dismissal	Lunch in Classroom / Dismissal
1:00 - 2:30	B Group (Virtual) / A Group (Independent)	B Group (Virtual) / A Group (Independent)	A Group/ B Group - Independent	A Group (Virtual) / B Group (Independent)	A Group (Virtual) / B Group (Independent)

Key:

Blue: A Group in class

Magenta: B Group in class

Orange: Virtual Learning for Listed Groups

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HYBRID SCHEDULE
GRADES 6 - 8

Schedule	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:30 - 9:20	1st period A/B Virtual	3rd period A/B Virtual	1 hour Check-in	1st period A/B Virtual	3rd period A/B Virtual
9:30 - 10:20	2nd period A/B Virtual	4th period A/B Virtual	Art classes / Independent	2nd period A/B Virtual	4th period A/B Virtual
10:30 - 11:20	3rd period A/B Virtual	5th period A/B Virtual	Art classes / Independent	3rd period A/B Virtual	5th period A/B Virtual
11:20 - 12:40	Lunch / dismissal	Lunch / dismissal	Lunch 11:30 - 12:00	Lunch / dismissal	Lunch / dismissal
1:00 - 1:50	4th Period A Group (in Class) B Group (Virtual)	1st Period A Group (in Class) B Group (Virtual)	Group A/B Independent	4th Period B Group (in Class) A Group (Virtual)	1st Period B Group (in Class) A Group (Virtual)
2:00 - 2:50	5th Period A Group (in Class) B Group (Virtual)	2nd Period A Group (in Class) B Group (Virtual)	Group A/B Independent	5th Period B Group (in Class) A Group (Virtual)	2nd Period B Group (in Class) A Group (Virtual)
3:00 - 3:50	Office Hours A Group (in Class) B Group (Virtual)	Office Hours A Group (in Class) B Group (Virtual)	Group A/B Independent	Office Hours B Group (in Class) A Group (Virtual)	Office Hours B Group (in Class) A Group (Virtual)

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