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# Sacramento Valley Charter School

## PARENT NEWSLETTER

Learn. Compete. Excel.

Dr. Amrik Singh, Principal  
Gurpreet Kaur, Operations Director

Dear SVCS Parents and Families,

Thank you for your trust in Sacramento Valley Charter School's programs and services. We have come a long way to earn a spot among the best schools in the Sacramento area. Your cooperation and interest in your child's education is one of the key factors in their motivation to succeed at school. Therefore, we will constantly be in communication with you throughout the year to monitor their success and update you about their challenges. Our teachers are highly qualified and professionally trained to impact learning of all groups of scholars. Our support staff works hard to maintain high standards both inside and outside classrooms. In order to take full advantage of the school's programs, please make sure your child attends school regularly. Remember:

- **Chronic Absenteeism can harm your child's interest and motivation in education**
- **Planning vacation during school days is highly discouraged. Plan when school is off during winter, spring and summer breaks.**
- **Exposing your child to inappropriate language, cursing, and violence may impede their social emotional health.**

The core culture at SVCS consists of high expectations, rigorous curriculum, and individualized and multi-level support for all scholars. In addition, our scholars have opportunities to excel in extra-curricular activities to develop as leaders of tomorrow, and learn through hands-on activities through participation in field trips and creative projects.

We look forward to a great school year, See you Soon!

Dr. Amrik Singh, Principal

### Important Dates:

- **July 25/26** - Transportation Orientations
  - **August 16** - Meet & Greet
  - **August 17** - First day of school
- **September 4** - Labor Day (NO SCHOOL).



Please find the **2023-24 instructional calendar** on our website using the link below:  
<https://www.sacvalleycharter.org/2023-24-academic-calendar.html>

**Meet & Greet:** Our annual meet and greet is scheduled for August 16th, 2023 from 2PM-5:30PM. Parents, families, and students are invited to attend and meet their teachers and staff members. This time is set aside so we can all become acquainted with one another and acquire first hand knowledge about curriculum, homework, and assignments ahead of time.



2022-23 Meet & Greet

**Transportation Orientation:** Mark your calendar to enroll your child in school transportation for July 25th & 26th from 10AM - 2PM. **Please complete your forms beforehand for faster processing.** On this day you will also pay the transportation fee. Bus drivers will be on campus to meet parents and arrange transportation for the upcoming school year.

**July 25th (10AM - 2PM):** Elk Grove & South Sacramento

**July 26th (10AM - 2PM):** Natomas, West Sacramento, Antelope & other areas

**Please come prepared with the following documents:**

- SVCS Transportation Bus Invoice (Printable from the link below)
- Signed Policies and Procedures Acknowledgement
- Cash or Checks payable to SVCS enclosed in a sealed envelope labeled with students name.

<https://www.sacvalleycharter.org/transportation-forms.html>

### **BUS Stop Rules:**

1. Parents should arrive at their scheduled bus stop 10 minutes early.
2. Before calling our office, check the **BUSWHERE** app to see the location of the bus.
3. Follow all transportation safety guidelines outlined in our procedures and policies while picking-up and dropping-off.
4. If you plan to alternatively pick-up your student from the school you must inform the office an hour in advance.



**Items not allowed on campus or buses:** Please be sure your students are not bringing any of the following items to school with them particularly, and any other item that has not been required by their teachers. We are not responsible for any lost/stolen items. If your scholar is seen with these items they will be confiscated immediately and you will be required to pick them up from the front office. These items distract students and create unnecessary competition between peers. Parents must sign a warning notice if items are confiscated.

NO CANDY



NO PHONES/TABLETS



NO ENERGY DRINKS



NO TOYS



NO JEWELRY/SHARP ITEMS



**Updated Contact Information:** For safety reasons it is extremely important that you provide updated contact information to our office. This includes email, phone numbers and any alternative communication. You may also want to include the office phone number in your contacts so that you are aware that our office is calling. **We ask that you prioritize calls from SVCS as most urgent.**

**Passing of Nancy Erikson:** We are sorry to inform you that our special education teacher, Nancy Erikson, passed away in June 2023. She started working at SVCS in September 2020 and served all special education students to help them achieve academic success. She will be greatly missed at SVCS. We have been informed that there will be a memorial service held for Nancy Erikson on August 13, 2023 in West Sacramento. For more information please email [richievance2004@yahoo.com](mailto:richievance2004@yahoo.com)

**EDCOE SELPA:** For our special education services, we have El Dorado County Office of Education SELPA for all students who have IEP's. We have been supported earlier by Jon Hall of El Dorado County Office of Education but now Melanie Thomas will be replacing him. If there are any questions, please contact the front office or visit the SELPA website for more information: <https://charterselpa.org/>

**Parents & Student Handbook:** We are in the process of updating the 2023-2024 parent handbook and it will be available for your knowledge on our website. Parents are encouraged to read the handbook in full so that they can support their children to the best of their knowledge.

**Summer BOOST 2023:** Our students showed their hard work, dedication, and passion for learning throughout the summer boost program. This program helped provide students with resources that helped to make up for the loss of studies during the pandemic. Students who were behind in some subjects, at risk of retention, or needed to work on their functioning skills, benefited from summer boost. We ended summer boost with a spectacular show done by our students. Bhangra classes were taught by our very own Jatinder Ghuman. Students were awarded certificates to recognize their participation.

