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Sunday, December 1, 2019

Superintendent's Message

Parcel Tax Message from Superintendent

Dear San Carlos Parents and Neighbors,

San Carlos School District provides the highest quality education for our children, keeps our community strong and strengthens our property values.

In order to continue to provide an excellent, well rounded education, we have been seeking community input on the need to renew and increase Measure P. This local parcel tax supports students' in grades K-8 and maintains high-quality educational programs, including math, reading, and writing, and hands-on science instruction; attracts and retains qualified and

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experienced teachers; and supports art, music, libraries, and a well-rounded education.

Without Measure P, some existing local school funding will expire and disappear from SCSD school budgets. This will require SCSD to make drastic cuts to academic programs, increase class sizes, and maintain only basics.

Your time and participation were critical as the San Carlos School District Board set fiscal priorities. Accordingly, at its November 21st meeting, the San Carlos School District Board unanimously voted to place a parcel tax measure (renewal of Measure P with an \$88 per/parcel increase for 8 years) on the **March 3, 2020 ballot.**

Thank you for your interest. Please feel free to contact me if you have any additional comments or questions at (650)590-5935 or mharmeier@scsdk8.org. We are always listening.

Sincerely,

Michelle Harmeier, Superintendent

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Principal's Message

Dear Arroyo Families,

I hope you had a wonderful week off and a Thanksgiving filled with family, fun and good food. It's hard to believe we have less than 3 weeks left of school in 2019.

Follow us on Twitter and Facebook for up-to-date info on events and issues!



As we move towards the holiday season, remember that this can be a stressful time for kids as well as adults. The extra activities and changes in routine affect kids a lot and we often see the results of that at school. [This article from the Harvard Health Blog](#) has some great tips to help prevent (or at least minimize) holiday stress for kids.

In case you missed my message last week due to the break, you can [read it here](#). If you're considering getting your child a smartphone for the holidays, please take a moment to read this first.

If you're bringing your child to school late, please remember to come in to the office to sign them in. Call or email the school office to let Mrs. Olazar know they'll be late but we also need to you to come sign them in when they arrive. Thanks for your cooperation.

Is your student learning different math strategies than you were taught in school? Not sure how to best help your child? The San Carlos School District will be hosting a parent education night for 3rd-5th grade parents to learn about the mathematical strategies and practices that our students use in our Math In Focus curriculum. Susan Resncik, author of Singapore Math: Fact Fluency and US Consultant for Math in Focus 2020 edition, will share common math concepts taught in 3rd-5th grade, including fractions, decimals, multiplication, division, and the bar model. **Join us at the District Office on December 9 from 6:30-8:00 pm.** Please [RSVP here](#) so we know how many people to prepare for.

Finally, I want to share the wonderful work of our student newspaper club, under the guidance of Sheila Sevilla. Our hardworking students gave up countless hours during recess and lunch to publish our first [Eagle Times](#) issue of the year. Please give it a read.

Warmly,

Mindy Shelton

Principal

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PTA News

Join the Special Projects Committee!!

At our November PTA meeting, we discussed creating a committee to research special projects for the PTA to fund at Central and Arroyo. If you are interested in joining this team, please e-mail Megan Miller at meganmiller5@gmail.com. We would love your help!

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SCEF News

Honey Bear Trees supports San Carlos public schools by donating 15% of tree, wreath and garland sales to SCEF. Find detailed info online and don't forget to download the flyer to take with you!

Sports Basement is committed to our community. Sign up to be a Basementeer and select San Carlos Education

Foundation as your charity. You get 10% off every item, every time you shop, and 10% of profits go to SCEF.

When you are out and about in San Carlos shopping this holiday season, please take a moment to thank our amazing local businesses for supporting SCEF and our schools.

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District News

Math Night for Parents of Students in Grades 3-5 - Dec 9

Parents, please join Susan Resnick on **Dec 9 from 6:30-8:00 pm** to learn about Math Strategies that our students in 3rd-5th grade are using in our Math In Focus program.

Is your student learning different strategies that you were taught in school? Not sure how to best help your child? Susan Resnick will share common math concepts taught in 3rd-5th grade, including fractions, decimals, multiplication, division, and the bar model.

Meet Susan Resnick, author of Singapore Math: Fact Fluency and US Consultant for Math in Focus 2020 edition. Susan has been working with San Carlos School District to implement Math in Focus. Teachers have been learning to bring the principles of Singapore Math to life in their classrooms to create engaged, creative problem solvers.

RSVP here for the Dec 9 Math Parent Info Night

<http://evite.me/8XPyeXqfbx>

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Community Partners

Parent Education - Using a Positive, Strength-Based Approach for Effective Parenting - Dec 11

Using a Positive, Strength-Based Approach for Effective Parenting with Charlie Appelstein

- WHEN: **Wednesday, December 11, 2019 6:30pm-8:00pm**
- RSVP: <http://evite.me/5HBJJnbwsd>

Back by popular demand, Charlie Appelstein, M.S.W. will be sharing his humor and practical strategies to create family environments that are focused on strength-building rather than flaw-fixing. These exceptionally positive and inspiring strategies focus on guiding all children (and especially those with emotional or behavioral challenges) with an approach that focuses on how to help your kids develop positive mindsets; how to create self-management tools in your home; relationship-based limit setting; and the effect of positive emotions on the brain. You're guaranteed to come away with a smile on your face, fresh ideas in your pocket, and a new hope in your heart for dealing with your most challenging parenting situations.

This event is made possible thanks to funding from our SCSD PTA Coordinating Council.

FREE Emergency Preparedness Class - Dec 6

On Dec 6 the Sequoia Healthcare District will host a FREE one-to-two hour class covers the basics of what to do before, during, and after a major emergency - <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/are-you-ready-disaster-preparedness-class-tickets-78091603087>

Sequoia Healthcare District Newsletter

Check out the latest newsletter from Sequoia Healthcare District to learn more about how you can prevent youth vaping. Included are links to resources and parents education events - https://issuu.com/seqhd/docs/2019_hsi_fall_scsd

San Carlos Little League Registration

We are excited to announce that registration for the 2020 San Carlos Little League season is open. Established in 1953, San Carlos Little League provides a positive youth baseball experience to children of all abilities in the San Carlos community, by developing the qualities of leadership, citizenship, discipline, character and teamwork. The program is for children ages 4 through 14. **Registration will be open through December 20.**

For registration and information please visit www.sancarlosll.org. If you have any

questions please contact Jon Ackerhalt,
jmackerhalt@yahoo.com.

San Carlos Youth Softball Registration

Sign Up for San Carlos Youth Softball

Interested in playing softball this spring?
San Carlos Youth Softball is a great way for girls to have some fun, develop skills and build friendships. The 2020 spring rec program is now open for registration.

Our program is for girls ages 4+ (as of January 2020) at all skill levels. Teams are formed in January so please sign up soon! Refer a friend new to SCYSA and both of you can get \$25 off your registration!

Questions? More information online at www.sancarlosyouthsoftball.com or email sancarlosyouthsoftball@gmail.com.

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