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 MATTERS
 LATER!**

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Greetings Families!

As you know, ensuring a safe and productive learning environment is our focus every day at El Sereno Middle School! Our teachers are the best in the city and work hard each day to ensure that instruction is engaging, rigorous and standards-based!

**SOCIAL MEDIA
 SAFETY
 FOR TEENS**

This month we have renewed our efforts to make certain that our Safe and Civil school-wide expectations are implemented across all areas of the school with a special focus on Cyber Safety - "Now Matters Later."

We need your help! Our IB Profile of the month is **Communicator!** Our Jaguars are expected to understand and express ideas and information confidently and creatively in more than one language and in a variety of modes of communication. They are expected to work effectively and willingly in collaboration with others.

We ask that our families demonstrate some of the characteristics of IB Communicators and talk with Jaguars about school safety, Safe and Civil Policies and our Now Matters Later campaign!

I've included the book mark distributed to all students here in this letter. Reminding your child regularly of the book mark's suggestions and checking in about his/her use of social media is strongly recommended.

What else might you say? I believe in the power of questions. Ask your Jaguar about our school's expectations. What are they? What do they look like in the halls? The cafeteria? The yard? Which trusted adult might he/she communicate a concern?

And, in the spirit of Communication, if you haven't already, I invite you to subscribe to my blog to stay up-to-date with the great things happening at El Sereno! I post about everything from learning activities/lessons in the classroom to highlighting events and important happenings at school. Visit msdara.com to view and/or subscribe to have posts delivered straight to your e-mailbox! ☺

The following monthly school items are available each month online on our website at www.elserenoms.org under the "Parents" tab! (Paper copies are also available in the main office, attendance office and the parent center)

- Mi Casita Parent Education March Calendar
- March Middle Years News Issue
- KYDS March Calendar

Looking Ahead:

- March 1 - IBFFF @ Farmdale ES
- March 4 - Coffee with the Principal, Special Time 9am, Special Guest Board Member Garcia
- March 10 - Daylight Savings - Set Clocks ahead!
- March 21 - Minimum Day 12:38 Dismissal ALL, Open House Periods 1-3, Parent Conferences 1:15pm - 3, 5pm - 7)
- March 22 - Minimum Day 12:38 Dismissal ALL
- March 27 - ELAC, 8:30am
- April 1 - NO SCHOOL

Warmly and Appreciatively,

Joyce Dara
 Joyce Dara, Principal