

SCHOOL NEWS JAMES MADISON

San Leandro Unified School District

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Attendance Line
If your child will be
absent from school,
please call the
ATTENDANCE
LINE
895 – 7940

Thanksgiving Break is Nov. 20-24



November 2017 Principal's Message

Dear Mustang families! **Giving Thanks...Giving Back...Giving Forward**

James Madison has much to be thankful for...great families, awesome teachers, staff, and the best students any Principal could want. I am thankful to be able to work for such a great community and appreciate all the support for our students.

In the spirit of giving, we have a great opportunity to teach our students that together and individually we can create good and support peace. Our newly elected student council has already reached out and created a Red Cross donation for North Bay fire victims. Mustangs will be looking for other opportunities to support creating a better school, community and world!

Fall is in the air and we are as busy as ever here at James Madison. Thank you so much to our families, community organizations, and student volunteers who came together to create another wonderful school carnival. We raised money and a great time was had by all. Our PTO leadership is in need of more memberships and a person to join and support the president.

Our first trimester is ending on November 9th and report cards will be created based on student effort and performance. Report cards will go home the first week of December. Report cards help communicate how children are progressing toward **end of the year grade level standards**. By clearly defining success, we support school and home working together to motivate students. At Madison we define success in three ways: nurturing positive Attitudes, developing useful Skills, and acquiring relevant Knowledge. We refer to this as **A.S.K.** for success. Your child will get marks for effort and work habits: E = Excellent S= Satisfactory and N = Need Improvement.

Academic areas are marked as:

4 = Exceeding Standards

3 = Meeting Standards

2 = Standard Nearly Met

1 = Standard Not Met

X = Not Graded this Trimester

We love the fact that students love to come to school. Attendance is the first key to success and we will be initiating 2nd trimester perfect attendance awards...awesome attendance awards...most improved attendance. So get your child off to a great start every morning with FREE breakfast offered at school starting at 7:45am. Make sure they come to school **ON TIME and MAKE EVERY DAY COUNT!**

A message from our Parent Facilitator, Mrs. Lopes:

The holiday season is just around the corner and we want all of our students and families to enjoy this time with their loved ones. We realize this may be a stressful time for some families emotionally and financially. Several programs are available in the community to help with needs during the holiday season. If you need assistance please contact our Parent Facilitator, Sara Lopes, at [510\) 895-7944 ext. 3077](tel:5108957944) or by email: saraelopes@att.net. We wish you all a festive holiday season!



November

PTO Fall Fundraiser

Nov. 6-17

Friday, November 10

Veteran's Day Holiday, No School

Monday, November 13

Asthma Education Workshop for
Parents @ 8:15am-9:15am

Wednesday, November 15

Restaurant Night: Panda Express

Friday, November 17

Coffee and Conversation@8:15

Wednesday, November 29

Make-Up Picture Day!

Friday, December 1

Report Cards go home!

Saturday, December 2

Holiday Art and Crafts Sale

Tuesday, Dec. 4

PTO Meeting 7:00pm

Friday, Dec. 8

5th Grade Spaghetti Feed