

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

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Important Dates to Remember



September:

Thurs., Sept. 14: Back to School Night 6:00-7:30pm

Sept. 18-22: Scholastic Book Fair

Wed., Sept. 20: Chipotle Restaurant Fundraiser

Fri., Sept. 22: Movie Night 6:30

Mon., Sept. 25: Carnival Planning Meeting 6:45pm

Fri., Sept. 29: No School, Staff Development Day

October:

Mon., Oct. 2: PTO Meeting @ 6:45

Sat., Oct. 7: SLED Beautification Day

Mon., Oct. 9: Carnival Planning Meeting @ 6:30

Wed., Oct. 18: Restaurant Night

Fri., Oct. 20: Picture Day!

Mon., Oct. 16-20: K-5 Parent Conferences, Early dismissal Schedule

Mon. Oct. 23-Tue. Oct. 24: 4-5 Parent Conferences, Early dismissal 4-5 only

Mon., Oct. 23-27: Carnival Planning Meetings 6:30

Sat., Oct. 28: Carnival: 10:00am-3:00pm

Hello Mustang Families,

We have made it through the first month of school, thank you for all the patience and support. With every new school year some things stay the same and some things change. Some of these changes are ways to improve how we run schools and some of these changes are created to support new laws, policies, and budget changes.

This year the biggest change impacting James Madison is that we have now reached and enrollment of 500 students. I am not implying that this is a bad change, after all more students equate to more funding, more support and more opportunity. An increase of enrollment will mandate adjustments. One adjustment was rerouting the parking lot and drive through. I am pleased to say that the drop off and pick up has vastly improved.

Madison will be adjusting and changing to maintain the high quality instruction and friendly support we have always provided. One issue we will need to visit is looking at the available space in our multi-use room for events and lunch. We have always had a come eat with your child in our lunch room invitation to parents. We have always had the space to accommodate everyone who was interested and had the time to come eat lunch. This may need to change since there is a limit to the capacity of the room.

I am hoping that each of you are able to understand that changes will be necessary to maintain and to improve our school. Please be as patient and understanding as possible because we always want to maintain a positive school culture. We will keep you posted and informed on initiatives we are taking to ensure the best learning environment possible for all students.

Attendance Matters! Absence and Tardy policies.

"Arrive before eight, start your day great!"

Someone really smart once said that 90% of success is just showing up. I want you to know that 100% of learning can only happen when you attend school 100% of the time!

Attendance continued on the back...