

Mustang Eblast

September 16th, 2022



Happy Fall Mustangs!

Finally Fall has come to Richland! Fall brings cooler weather, Halloween Carnival plans and one step closer to our move to our new school!

Our weekly Mustang E-blasts will keep you informed of all the exciting events and happenings at Richland. Look for a weekly email every Friday afternoon to fill you in on the following week's events.

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Child Nutrition Services (CNS) - Meal Applications and Juice Bars

Did you know our Meal Applications are for SO MUCH MORE than lunch?

The annual meal applications determine whether we receive essential funding for our intervention programs, aide support, vital supplementary curriculum and even reduced rates on field trips and assemblies. We lost our Title 1 funding last year and... we need it back!

EVERYONE, please [click here](#) to quickly complete this Meal Application. Even if you don't think you will qualify or your child brings their lunch for home every day. The more accurate our data, the greater the chances of qualifying for over \$100,000 in funding for Richland. Thank you.

And did you know we have Juice Bar Sales Fridays at Richland?

For \$2 Mustangs can purchase an ice cream/juice bar at Richland every Friday in the cafeteria. It adds a little fun to their day!

Parent Information

Room Parents STILL Needed

Room Parents are STILL needed for the following classrooms:

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Menchaca

3rd

Sanchez

Gr 3-5

Green

What a great way to get involved in your child's classroom and help out the school as well. Please email your child's teacher if you are interested in this wonderful opportunity.

Want to be a Sub Noontime Supervisor?

Please go to Edjoin.org to apply to be a substitute Noontime Supervisor. Hang out at Richland and get paid too!

Drive Up Reminders

PLEASE do NOT double park to drop off or pick up kids! I received several messages about dangerous driving in our front parking lot. Kids safety HAS to be our number one priority.

Please remember that cars are not allowed in the parking lot before 2:55 until Kindergarten dismissal is out. If cars file in to wait until 3:10, we cannot get our 2:45 dismissed Kindergarteners picked up first. Thank you.

And... Kindergarten parents, you are allowed to pass all the cars waiting on Richland Road to turn in for Kinder dismissal. Consider it concierge service! :)

A message from Technology- Chromebook Insurance deadline October 15th!

Please find enclosed information on purchasing Chromebook insurance. Deadline for purchase is October 15th.

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1z2rpmQDgbG6q2r8TYIAwZZHjJWJbNfNs/view?usp=sharing>

A message from your FOR Club!

FOR Club Meetings:

FOR Club meetings will be the 2nd Tuesday of every month from 6:00 - 7:00 in the Richland cafeteria. Child care will be provided.

Pony Pals:

Pony Pals treat a Richland teacher of their choice to a year of secret treats and gifts to make them feel special and appreciated. There is no spending requirement. On average Pony Pals treat their teacher about once a month. Once you confidentially sign up for a teacher our Pony Pal coordinator will contact you with a list of some of the teacher's "favorites". Gifts can be left at the office for your teacher. Sign up [here](#)

Raise Craze:

We want to thank you all for such a successful fundraiser! The students enjoyed a popsicle party in their classroom today because we met our goal so early on! The fundraiser ends tonight at 11:59pm, which means there is still time to get in those last minute donations and log those last minute Act of Kindness! So far, we've raised close to \$42,000 and have completed over 4,000 Acts of Kindness. It has been such a great kick off to the year and we are so proud of our Mustangs for the kindness they have been spreading through our school and community. Due to your generous support the FOR club can continue to support students with instructional aid, counseling services and classroom grants. We will also be able to continue our Friday STEAM assemblies and are excited to announce that we will bring in a STEAM Coordinator after winter break! Let's pull together to finish strong! You can also follow the Leaderboard for up-to-the-minute results! If you have any questions contact us at friendsofrichland@gmail.com. Thank you for your support, we are so fortunate to be part of such a kind and generous community.

Halloween Carnival:

Haunted House will be October 21st and Halloween Carnival will be October 22nd this year from 2:00-6:00 pm. The carnival is a Richland tradition and is a fabulous fundraiser and community building event ran solely by volunteers. Check [here](#) for volunteer opportunities. Room parents, please check your email for the sign up for available booths. Planning meetings will be on September 20th and October 4th and 18th from 8:45 - 10:00 am in the Richland cafeteria. If you would like more information you can email friendsofrichland@gmail.com or forclubpresident@gmail.com.

The FOR Club is looking for non-food vendors for our Halloween Carnival on October 22nd. If you have a business or side hustle you are looking to advertise this is a great opportunity. Vendors will get to create a 10 by 10 booth to share their business/items at. The Halloween carnival runs from 2:00-6:00 but you will have access to your booth area beginning at 12:30. Click [HERE](#) for more information or to sign up.

STEAM Program:

This year, FOR Club is sponsoring in-school science and art assemblies. Mad Science will be here on September 23rd with the Spin, Pop, Boom show for 3rd grade. In the Spin, Pop, Boom show, students will Learn about crazy chemical reactions, overcome the greatness of gravity, and see combustion in action in this thrilling, action-packed show. They will discover the

amazing properties of acids and bases, experiment with the forces that act on roller coasters, and light up the stage with a booming exothermic reaction.

Chess Club:

Chess Club is meeting Fridays from 3:15 - 4:15. Due to the popularity of this program, we ask that if your student is currently signed up for Chess Club please let us know by emailing forclubtreasurer@gmail.com if they will be unable to make a session. If a student misses 2 classes without notification, their slot will be opened up for a student on the waitlist. View the sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0d49acae28a3fd0-chess>

Mustang Monitors:

This is a great opportunity for Dads to be involved in their Mustang's day. Sign up and you can come on campus to help with drop off, recess, and to monitor the halls, and just say "hi" to the Mustangs. Click here to sign up <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040e44acad2ca0f85-mustang>

Other Volunteer Opportunities:

The FOR Club operates solely on our community members' generosity of time, funding and spirit. Explore [here](#) for several different opportunities in which you can become more involved:

Dineouts:

Our next dineout will September 21st at Rubio's at 1158 West San Marcos Blvd from 2:00-8:00. Mention Richland at checkout and 30% of your purchase will go back to the school!

Announcing Wine Out's!

We are trying something new this year! How cool would it be to have a wine night with other parents in your child's grade? Each month, FOR Club will host a Wine Out; an event for you to go and meet other parents of kids in the same grade as yours and a percentage of sales will go back to the school! Our first Wine Out will be for our Kindergarten parents on October 6th at My Yard Live from 6-8 pm; 15% of your purchase will come back to Richland. Come connect with other Richland kindergarten families, while raising money for the school!

Yearlong Fundraisers:

Amazon Smile:

Amazon smile is a website operated by Amazon with the same products, prices and shopping features as Amazon.com. The difference is that when you shop on AmazonSmile, the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of your purchase of eligible products to the charitable organization of your choice. Change yours to "Friends of Richland" and give back to the school when you shop! [Set up now](#)

Ralphs Rewards:

Link your phone number to Richland Elementary at Customer Service and a portion of all your proceeds comes back to our Mustangs!

Green Flash Pest and Termite

Brown Family Chem Dry

Lovely Leaps

Mention Richland during registration at any of the above and a portion of proceeds will come back to Richland! Also, Green Flash offers discounts for Richland Families.

Box Tops:

Earn cash for the school by saving box tops from participating companies. Click here <https://faq.s.boxtops4education.com/s/article/How-do-I-earn-Box-Tops-with-my-digital-receipt> to find out how to digitally submit or simply cut out the box top and give them to your Mustang's teacher. There are two collection times throughout the school year and we will be announcing incentives for highest earning classrooms!

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Important Upcoming Dates to Remember

 Facebook

Tuesday, September 20th

8:45-10:00 Halloween Carnival Meeting, cafeteria

3:10 ELAC Meeting, Cafeteria

Wednesday, September 21st 2:00-8:00 p.m.

Richland Dine Out, Rubio's, West San Marcos Boulevard

30% comes back to Richland!

Tuesday, October 4th 8:45-10:00 a.m.

Halloween Carnival Meeting , cafeteria

Monday, October 10th

Parent Teacher Conference Day (NO school)

Tuesday, October 11th

3:30 Virtual School Site council Meeting

6:00 FOR Club Meeting, cafeteria

Tuesday, October 11th – 14th

Minimum Days for Parent Teacher Conference Week

Tuesday, October 18th 8:45 - 10:00 a.m.

Halloween Carnival Meeting

Friday, October 21st

Richland's Haunted House

Saturday, October 22nd

Richland's Halloween Carnival

Thursday, October 27th

Fall School Picture Day! Smile!

Thursday, November 3rd

Make Up Picture Day

Friday, November 11th

Veteran's Day, No School

Monday, November 21st - Friday, November 25th

Thanksgiving week, No School

