Mustang Eblast

February 3, 2023

Happy February and Semester 2!

What a change from the beginning of this school year. Here we are ending First Semester in our new home and ready to take on second Semester. This means it's report card season. Report Cards will be available on Parent Vue on Friday, February 10th. Directions to access report cards on Parent Vue can be found below.

Directions for opening Report Cards on Parent Vue

Directions for Viewing Your Child's Report Card in ParentVue

1. Log into ParentVue:

https://ca-sanmar-psv.edupoint.com/PXP2_Login_Parent.aspx?regenerateSessionId=True

- 2. Click I am a parent.
- 3. Click Documents.
- 4. Click the Link for the Report Card that you want to view

Instrucciones para ver la boleta de calificaciones de su hijo en ParentVue

1. Inicie sesión en ParentVue:

https://sdhome.sdcoe.net/SanMarcos

- 2. Haga clic en Soy un padre
- 3. Haga clic en Documentos
- 4. Haga clic en el enlace de la boleta de calificaciones que desea ver.

Parking, Drop off, Pick Up and Safety

We would like to THANK YOU for everyone's tremendous synergy as we grow into our new routines and work to keep our children safe. Our wait times have improved and it is NOT without you working with us.

A few things that are helping us improve:

- new striping including deliniation of TWO lines in pick for easier passing
- designation of left/right lane access both entering and exiting parking lot
- new "island" in the kindergarten cul-de-sac pick up
- Both district and Sheriff support and feedback on routines and processes
- We are holiding off on taking attendance each mornign until the line waiting on entrance to the school diminishes.

Here are a few things we NEED to help improve our safe drop off/pick up:

- The City to complete the repairs on Borden and installation of traffic light on Borden and Richland Road
- Grades 1-5 waiting until 3:00 p.m. has helped with getting Kinder in and out quickly. Thank you!
- On rainy days, PLEASE bring patience and continue to follow the routines, in place. We understand that we have about 30% more cars in the pick up but know that we will keep your students as dry as we can with overhangs and staging as they await pick up.

Another area of safety:

NO DOGS ALLOWED. Any parent walkers bringing their dogs to drop off and pick up,
PLEASE only walk them to the sidewalk and NOT to the front of our school. We have
soem students nervous and we had another close call with an unpredicatable dog bite.
Please do not allow students pet dogs on their way to school. We love man's best friends
but, with the mele of the busy crowds, sometimes pets can act unfriendly.

Good news our average pick up time this week as been 3:28 all week! Thank you!

The APEX Fun Run is here

Thursday, February 9th is the day of our APEX Fun Run. The times are as follows:

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8:45 - 9:40am - 4th

9:40 - 10:30am - AM TK/Kinder/PK/Gawler

10:40 - 11:30am - 3rd/Green

11:40 - 12:25pm - 1st

12:25 - 1:20pm - PM TK/PK

1:20 - 2:10pm - 2nd

2:10 - 3:10pm - 5th
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Volunteers interested in signing up to help on the day of the fun run. Please sign up here.

Run Mustangs Run! All for a good cause!

Spring Pictures on Valentine's Day

February 14th brings love to Richland ... and beautifully captured smiles. Spring Pictures will be taken on Valentine's Day in the MPR.

Please remember that we LOVE to celebrate LOVE with Valentine's Day. If your child will be participating in a class Valentine card exchange, please be sure they have enough for everyone in their class and please NO CANDY. We are not only keeping it healthy at school, but we also are keeping food and snacks out of our new classrooms to keep bugs/critters away!

SMUSD LCAP Survey

The San Marcos Unified School District is seeking feedback from our families regarding our Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP). The LCAP is the District's plan that is designed to improve student achievement through the development of goals based upon student needs.

Please take a few minutes to complete the survey linked below. This information will be utilized to update our LCAP, and also to improve our programs and services to improve student achievement.

This survey will remain open until **February 12, 2023**, and your information will remain confidential.

LINKS:

SMUSD LCAP Survey / Encuesta de LCAP del SMUSD

TK/K Registration is OPEN at Richland!

Kindergarten and Transitional Kindergarten registration is open!

Welcome to Richland, Little Mustangs! New student enrollment is processed through ParentVUE including all required documents and enrollment forms. Our Kindergarten and TK classes quickly. We encourage you to enroll your child as soon as possible.

Kindergarten is available for students who turn 5 years old on or before September 1st.

Please note per Board policy: Transitional Kindergarten is only available for students who turn 5 years old between September 2, 2023 and April 2, 2024.

We are sorry, ONLY these birthdays will be accepted.

Please visit SMUSD's <u>Transitional Kindergarten web page</u> for additional information. Por favor visite nuestra página de Transición a Kínder. <u>Haga clic aqu</u>í para información adicional.

Ready to enroll? Click here to begin the enrollment process.

WANT A TOUR to learn about our early program. We are offering tours for NEW TK/K parents as follows:

Friday, March 3rd 9:30-10:30 Friday, April 7th 9:30-10:30 Friday, May 5th 9:30 - 10:30

Spread the word to neighbors and community new to Richland!





Important Upcoming Dates to Remember



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Friday, February 10th

Semester 1 Report Cards open on ParentVue

Tuesday, February 14th

Happy Valentine's Day

Spring Pictures

Friday, February 17th - Monday, February 20th

No School. President's Day Weekend

Friday, March 3rd 9:30-10:30 am

TK/K.New Parent Tour

Tuesday, March 14th, 3:30 p.m.

School Site Council Meeting, location TBD

Thursday, March 16th 5:30-7:00 p.m.

Richland Open House

Tuesday, March 21st 3:15-4:15

ELAC Meeting, New PD Room

Monday, March 27th - Friday, March 31st

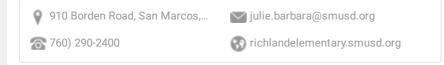
Happy Spring Break!

Friday, April 7th 9:30-10:30 am

TK/K.New Parent Tour

Friday, May 5th 9:30-10:30 am

TK/K.New Parent Tour



A Message from the FOR Club

FOR Club Meetings:

Due to Valentine's Day, our next meeting will be February 7th.

Typically, FOR Club meetings will be the 2nd Tuesday of every month from 6:00 - 7:00 in the Professional Development room. Child care will be provided.

Valentine's Grams

Spread some love this Valentine's Day with a brag tag and personalized message! You can send these to your Mustang, your Mustang's teacher, a staff member, or a Mustang friend! We will deliver purchases during school on Valentine's Day! We have a VERY limited amount of Valentine's Grams left. Once you proceed to purchase your grams here you will be asked a series of questions; please follow the directions to ensure that your grams are delivered properly.

******Please note that If you wish to send your student a Valentines-Gram, but you need some financial assistance, please reach out to either Gaby Dellamary, in the office, or Kristen Engler, the counselor, as we have a limited number of scholarships to make sure all our Mustangs receive one.

APEX

APEX is in full swing and the fun run will be February 9th! We are looking for 15 volunteers per grade level to help. Please sign up <u>here</u>.

STEAM Program:

We are excited to announce that our after school STEM Enrichment program at iFly is back on this year! The classes will be Wednesday February 8th and 15th at 3:30. There are a total of 24 slots open for students with an additional 12 slots available for parents to join in flight! Cost for student flights (2 per student) is \$45 and FOR Club will sponsor half, so upon sign up you will need to submit payment of \$22.50 per student. Adult chaperone flights (or older sibling flights) are \$55. There is an option to add a high flight for \$15. Sign up here! Please submit payment to our Venmo @Richland-FORClub or submit cash or check to the front office. You will need to provide transportation for your Mustang. ***Due to the time commitment we are making to iFly when giving them our final count, we will be held accountable to iFly for all spots reported and will not be able to issue a refund if you cancel closer than 72 hours to your sign up date****

Yearbooks:

Yearbooks are on sale for \$25. Follow our link to order yours today https://www.yearbookordercenter.com/product/yearbooks

Code: 17701

5th grade families ONLY:

- 5th grade sailing on ads are currently available for \$10 until Spring break!

 Once we are in our new school we will have photo opportunities with a fun backdrop for all our 5th graders to enjoy. More info on that to follow.
- We still have room for our special baby picture page for all 5th graders to be a part of. Lastly, if you have any First day of School pictures of your 5th grader please share those too. https://www.hjeshare.com/eShare/?code=mustangs22-23

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2023 Yearbook cover art contest

Building the future...One child at a time.

The Yearbook Cover Contest is officially open to all Third, Fourth and Fifth grade students. As we look around at our campus, we see it a little different. We see the old and now the new. As we get ready to go into our new school, I realize, there are so many memories we're leaving behind.

What will you miss most about the Original Richland?

What are your favorite memories from the Original Richland?

WE ARE EXTENDING THE DUE DATE FOR OUR CONTEST!!! Artwork is due to the Yearbook Committee by Friday, February 10th. All artwork submissions must be returned to the office to be considered. No electronic submissions will be accepted.

Directions and Guidelines:

Yearbook theme is – What will you miss most from the Original Richland

Vertical orientation of artwork only

Use color as you want

Please use plain white paper. No lined paper. Size 8.5 x 11

No graphite, only pencil drawings - please use ink pens,

crayons, colored pencils, markers, paint, etc.

Do not include the school's name or school year (2022-2023) – this will be printed on the cover .

Name, Grade AND Teacher MUST be included on the artwork to be included in the contest. DO NOT put this information on the front of your artwork – print on the back or on a sticky note. Your name and artwork will be included in the yearbook just for participating!

Volunteer Opportunities:

We are currently searching for two Committee Chairpersons! We need someone to help organize our Adult Only Bingo De Mayo event and someone to help run the Raffle during Bingo. This year Bingo will be on May 5th which guarantees an extra amount of fun to this already fantastic event! If you are interested please email forclubpresident@gmail.com or check out our online form here, which includes other opportunities as well.

Sponsorships:

We offer a variety of sponsorships and are pleased to have them available online this year. Sponsorships are a great way to get your name out to our Mustang Community while supporting the various programs FOR funds. This year, we are funding over \$110,000 for our enrichment programs, including STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math) in the form of both in-school assemblies and a STEAM coordinator to provide in-school instruction, VAPA (Visual Arts and Performing Arts), and our Holiday Chorus and Spring Play ran by Luminary Arts. These funds also subsidize our support programs including Reading

Intervention, Counseling Support, Classroom Support in the form of mini-grants, Instructional supplies, and our Appreciation program. We hope you will partner with us throughout the year so that our Mustangs can continue to enjoy the enhancements they deserve to their educational experience! Click here for year round sponsorships.

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 <u>here</u> to sign up.

Dienout:

Our next dineout will be at Maya's Cookies on February 12, 2023 from 12pm - 9pm. Mention Richland or Friends of Richland at checkout and 15% of your purchase will come back to Richland.

Mustang Market:

Our Mustang Market will be outside of the Parent Room, next to the Administration building, Friday the 24th of February from 8:00 - 8:45am. We will be selling spirit wear and gear, including new 2022-2023 shirts and zip up hoodies! We also have hats, spirit sticks, pencils, water bottles pencil bags and tote bags available. We accept cash, credit and Venmo. You can also check our online store at <u>richlandmustangs.itemorder.com</u> for additional options.

Hibernate

Our Hibernate fundraiser is ON! Just in time for the holidays and the cool winter months!

This is a great passive income fundraiser for us and will run year long. 15% of your purchase goes back to Richland! Richland is already getting \$75 from this fundraiser so far! So let's keep it going!

Keep Hibernate in mind anytime you need to stock up on sheets! We will have sheets for you to feel for yourself at our next Mustang Market, December 16th. We will also have swatches of all 14 of the sheet colors for you to choose from, so you can see them for yourself!

To set up your child's fundraising account check out the flyer <u>here</u> where you can find the QR code or:

- 1. Download the Raise365 app and create and account or login to your existing account.
- 2. Go to the "Fundraisers" tab, hit "Join Fundraiser" and type Richland into the fundraiser search bar.
- 3. Fill out your child's info and use "Richland" as the fundraiser password.

*Note: If you see the fundraiser from last year, make sure to "exit fundraiser" before you can join the current year's fundraiser. If you need help with this, email forclubtreasurer@gmail.com for trouble shooting.

Here's a quick video showing you how to join the fundraiser on the app and share with family and friends:

https://voutube.com/watch?v=RylccMpMwMo&feature=share

Yearlong Fundraisers:

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://faqs.boxtops4education.com/s/article/How-do-l-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!

Visit our website at <u>richlandforclub.com</u> and join our facebook page, Friends of Richland Elementary School for more information and to stay up to date.

Thank you to our sponsors:

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