
Mustang Eblast

March 24th, 2023

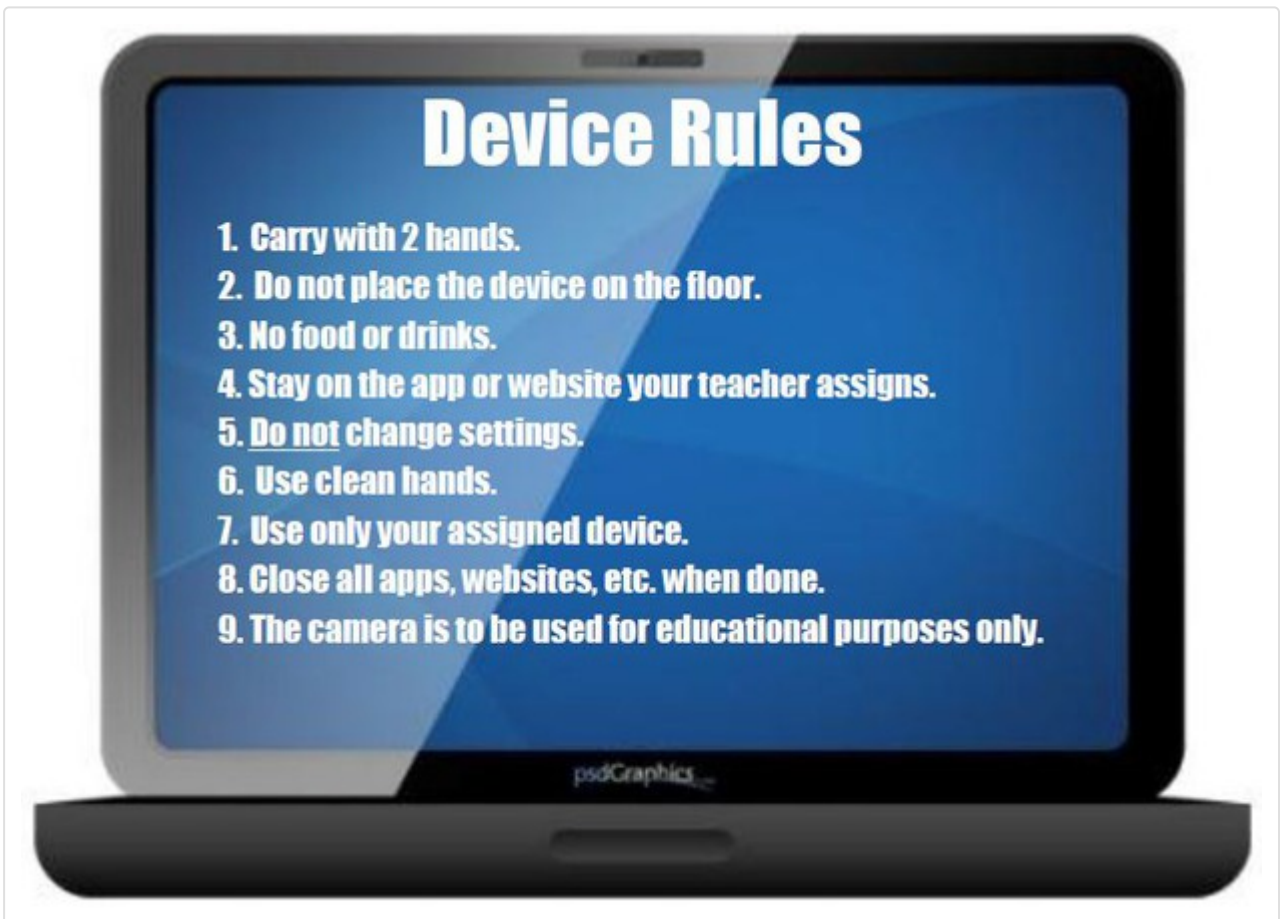
Have a GREAT Spring Break!

We wish you all a wonderful Spring Break of family time, sunshine and relaxation! See you back at school on Monday, April 3rd for our final sprint to SUMMER!

Chromebook safety and reminders

We have had an uptick in chromebooks being used for inappropriate and unsafe searches. Our chromebooks are linked to a Lightspeed Notification that notifications not only the school but district personnel. We have had to reach out to families to ensure students remain safe.

Please remind your students that chromebooks are for SCHOOL USE ONLY - homework, iReady or other online learning.



New Parent Tour

Welcome to Richland, little Mustangs!

WANT A TOUR to learn about our early program or are NEW to Richland since the move to the new school? We are offering tours for NEW parents as follows:

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

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

Spread the word to neighbors and community new to Richland!

From The Mustang Chronicle Team

The 6th and last Edition of the school year's Mustang Chronicle is here! The focus of this edition was Abilities Awareness. This issue features an interview with Dr. Johnsen, and amazing artwork from all grades including Special Education students. It also has a roundup of all the wonderful things happening in our busy campus!

Thank you so much for your support & encouragement!

And a BIG thank you to Navya for the creation of The Mustang Chronicle! It is now a big part of our Richland tradition. We will miss Navya as she head to middle school but we hope to see

her legacy continue at Richland far into the future! Thank you Navya!

Here's the link:- [TMC 6th Edition](#)

Drop Off/Pick Up and Safety Update

Thank you for everyone's patience and attention during our continued construction (and rain!). We appreciate everyone's kind and caring attitudes. Just a few things to remember:

- We STILL have people stopping in the middle of the street, or the side of the road to drop off and pick up students. It is VERY dangerous, especially when through traffic comes flying by. We KNOW it takes a longer but it is all for the safety of our kids. We have supervision for half hour before so please know your kids are supervised if you come a little early before school.
- PLEASE do not come into the parking lot before 3:00 for pick up unless you are a Kindergarten parent. Cars are lining up so early that Kinder can't get in. Leave your house at 3:00 and save yourself time!
- Sidewalk work in front on Richland continues due to rain delays and, fingers crossed, they can still get Borden Road completed over Spring Break.

Attn. 4th graders - Vallecitos Water Art Poster Contest

On behalf of the Vallecitos Water District, Mustangs are invited to participate in this year's "Love Water, Save Water" poster contest, which is open to all fourth graders in the Vallecitos Water District's service area. The deadline to submit entries is April 3, 2023. The top three drawings go on to represent the District in the regional North County Water Agency calendar for the following year. Besides being featured in the calendar, winners will receive a gift card, recognition from the Vallecitos Board of Directors and their calendar drawing featured in "Between the Pipes" – the Vallecitos Water District's quarterly newsletter. Poster contest entry forms are attached in this email.

Communication from the SMUSD District office

COVID-19 Testing After Spring Break

Due to the increased travel and social interactions that often occur during school breaks, it is recommended that students and staff get tested for COVID-19 prior to returning to school following major breaks and holidays (e.g., Thanksgiving, winter, spring). This week, elementary school students received COVID-19 test kits to take home and middle and high school students had the opportunity to pick up a COVID-19 at-home test kit. **Please test your child on Monday, April 3rd, prior to coming to school or the evening before.** If you need additional test kits, they will be available for pick up in the lobby of our District Office (255 Pico Ave, San Marcos 92069) from 8:00 a.m. through 3:30 p.m. Monday-Thursday, March 27-30.

If your child tests positive, please email the school health office at [insert health office email address]. Be sure to include your child's full name, date of birth, and the date they tested positive. If your child experienced symptoms prior to testing positive, please include the date of symptom onset and a list of the symptoms they experienced.

Thank you for helping to keep our school community healthy and safe.

From your PTO, The FOR Club

FOR Club Meetings:

Our next meeting will be April 11th.

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

Yearbooks:

Yearbook are still on sale, \$25 for soft covers and \$35 for hard covers.

<https://www.yearbookordercenter.com/general/homepage?portal=true>

CODE: 17701

Yearbook still wants your pictures! Please share these categories using our eshare link,

Kindergarten 1st day of school

Halloween Carnival

Holiday Choir

Last day at our Original Richland

Spirit Days

<https://www.hjeshare.com/eShare/home?code=mustangs22-23>

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Happy Birthday Announcements:

FOR Club is excited to announce our new fundraiser to continue our support of our Mustang's educational experience!

Purchase a Happy Birthday Announcement to make your child feel extra special on their special day! The announcements are \$10 each and will be displayed on the indicated date upon checkout on our school marquee outside the front office.

The announcement order needs to be completed a week before the display date to ensure enough time for administration procedures. Please note that there may be multiple announcements for multiple students on the same day, but that we will limit the available slots depending on circumstances. Announcements are limited to; "Happy Birthday **Student's First Name" only. They will be displayed on the date indicated at check out.

<http://forclub.betterworld.org/events/happy-birthday-announcements>

Dineout:

Our next Dineout/Nightout will be at Raising Canes in San Marcos on April 14th @4:00 pm - 9 pm. Click [here](#) for the flyer. 15% of your purchase will come back to Richland.

5th Grade families:

National Anthem Padres Night:

Our 5th graders have been invited by the San Diego Padres to sing the national anthem at the Padres game on June 5th!

General admission tickets to attend the game are available to all 5th grade students and their families. The \$25 ticket is a discounted ticket price from the general admission price you could buy online.

The 5th graders will start the game on the field and then Mrs. Stone and other chaperones will bring the students to their families in the stands where they will sit with them for the remainder of the game. Students are responsible for transportation to and from the event.

Click on the following link for more information and to purchase tickets.

<http://forclub.betterworld.org/events/5th-grade-national-anthem-padres>.

More details on specific instructions are to come.

Yard Signs:

5th grade is helping facilitate distribution and sales of yard signs to celebrate your 5th grader's promotion. Check out the general and personalized yard signs [here](#).

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd_cXeR7T4Blgoy5dsvX24Sgi__hKsstBxxQ2xzArS7QRGEtQ/viewform

Personalized signs can be picked up from the distributor (in Rancho Bernardo) or shipped for a fee. FOR Club will facilitate distribution of general signs that are ordered.

If you would like to order a general sign please email emilymrichley@gmail.com by Sunday, March 26th.

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5th Grade Families,

Last day to submit your Sailing on Ads and Baby Pictures (baby pictures can be shared through our eshare link) will be April 2.

https://www.yearbookordercenter.com/product/yearbook_ads

Volunteer Opportunities:

Along with a Golf Coordinator, we are also 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 Club 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, to monitor the halls, and just say "hi" to the Mustangs. Click [here](#) to sign up.

Hibernate

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 [here](#) 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://youtube.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://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!

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

Thank you to our sponsors:

<https://www.nelsonfamilyorthodontics.com>

greenflashpest.com





Important Upcoming Dates to Remember

 Facebook

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

Tuesday, April 11th 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Richland FOR Club Meeting, Childcare with Ms. Bev!

Friday, May 5th

9:30-10:30 am TK/K/New Parent Tour

6:00 p.m. Bingo De Mayo, Walnut Grove Barn

Monday, May 29th

No School, Happy Memorial Day

Thursday, June 1st, 6:00 p.m.

Jungle Book Performance in Richland's MPR

Friday, June 2nd, 6:00 p.m.

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Wednesday, May 31st 5:00-6:30 p.m.

End of Year Bash and Yearbook signing

Tuesday, June 6th 9:00, 10:00 a.m.

5th Grade Promotion

Wednesday, June 7th 12:55 p.m.

LAST day of school, minimum day

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