



SFCS Weekly Bulletin

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ANNUAL STATE TESTING STARTS THIS WEEK

The annual State testing begins this week for grades 3-4. Testing dates for these grades are April 9, 10, 11, 16, and 17. Some things you can do to help your child are:

- Talk about the test with your child to encourage confidence and reduce anxiety.
- Take a practice test with your child (<http://www.caaspp.org/practice-and-training/index.html>).
- Make sure your child gets a good night's sleep and a nutritious breakfast before testing.

Testing starts first thing in the morning, so please make sure students are on time. Thanks for your support!

SERVICE LEARNING PROJECT DONATIONS

As a school wide service learning project, SFCS will be collecting donations to create gift baskets for residents of the Ewing Wing, which Mrs. Kamins and Ms. Starchman's classes will deliver on their May 21st field trip. Please see attached letter and make all donations by Friday, May 10th. Thank you!

TALENT SHOW 2019

All students in TK-8 are welcome to participate in the 2019 Talent Show. Those interested need to return the attached signed permission slip before Spring Break. The first call for potential participants will be Monday, April 15th during lunch recess. Students participating in the Talent Show will be performing on Friday, June 7th at an afternoon assembly. Thank you to Cate Cannon for coordinating the event once again this year!

INDEPENDENT STUDY PACKETS

Students can fall behind academically when they are not in class. If your child cannot be at school, please contact the office to sign up for Independent Study (IS). This also saves the school a loss of state funding for the absence. Once completed, please sign and return all IS paperwork and assignments to the office. If the IS packet is not returned, the absence must be counted.

ENROLLMENT WINDOW CLOSING THIS WED.

For new and returning students, Enrollment Forms for the 2019/20 school year are due by 4PM this Wednesday, April 10th. Forms are available in the office and on the SFCS website- sierrafoothillcharterschool.org. We have received more forms for new students than available spots in some grade levels, so a public random lottery will be held on Friday, April 12th at 4PM in the Multi to determine which new students will be offered admission and where remaining students will be placed on grade level waiting lists. Members of the public are welcome to attend the lottery, but cannot interact in the process. A letter containing each child's lottery number has been sent to parents/guardians. Following the lottery, families will be notified of the results by mail. If you have any questions, please contact the office.

CHILI COOK OFF & DESSERT AUCTION

Thanks to everyone who joined us at The Alley for the Chili Cook Off and Dessert Auction. What a lovely and fun day! Thanks to The Alley, June Bug Cafe, Savourys, 1850 Restaurant + Brewing, Little Oven Pizza, Gold Coin Sports Grill & Bar, Miner's Inn Restaurant, and BB's Catering for entering the chili contest. Congratulations to our hosts, The Alley, for winning! Thanks to The Jespersons for entertaining us with their fantastic music. Thanks to everyone who brought such delicious desserts for the auction, to Chris Phillips, Jeff Bubenchik and crew for auctioning off the desserts, and thank you to everyone who placed bids and won! All proceeds benefit our students and programs and we thank you for your wonderful support!

DATES TO REMEMBER

- Every Monday - Early release at 2PM
- Tues., 4/9 - State Testing Begins
- Wed., 4/10 - Enrollment window closes for the 2019/20 school year
- Fri., 4/12 - Enrollment Lottery, 4PM in Multi
- Thurs., 4/18 - Early Dismissal at 12:30PM
- Fri., 4/19 - No School, Snow Day
- Mon., 4/22 - Fri., 4/26 - Spring Break



SFCS Home School Enrichment: Week of April 8, 2019

The Core Virtue for April: Forgiveness

8 Monday:

TK/K 11:40-2pm Lunch and Rotations: Garden, Spanish and PE

9 Tuesday:

3rd/4th 11:40-3:15 Lunch, Rotations: Garden, Spanish, PE Rotation
5th-8th 12:35-3:05 Music Classes: Band, New Instruments, Violin & Guitar
Please let me know if you are interested.

10 Wednesday:

5th/6th 11:40-3:15 Lunch, Garden, Tech, and PE

11 Thursday:

7th/8th 11:40-3:15 Lunch and Rotations: Garden, Tech and P.E.
1st-8th 12:35-1:05 Piano Classes, please contact me if you are interested.
TK/K 1:50-2:20 Music Class
1st/2nd 2:35-3:00 Music Class

12 Friday:

1st/2nd 11:40-3:15 Lunch and Rotations: Garden, Spanish and PE

Coming Up:

April 29th-May 3rd HS Testing Days. Click [here](#) for Practice and Training tests. Click on the **green sign in button** to practice as a guest, no student id required

SFCS Links to Blogs, Web Sites and Curricular Connections:

Subscribing to classroom blogs and websites is a great way to get ideas from what is happening at school. [The Home School Blog](#)

- [Mrs. Stillwell's TK/K's Blog and Curricular Connections](#)
- [Mrs. Baumann's 1st and 2nd grades' Website and Curricular Connections](#)
- [Ms. Starchman's 3rd and 4th grades' Blog and Curricular Connections](#)
- [Ms. Miranda's 5th and 6th grades' Blog and Curricular Connections](#)
- [Ms. Contreras's 7th and 8th grades' Blog and Curricular Connections](#)
- [The SFCS Garden Blog](#) - all grade levels
- [The SFCS Tech Blog](#) - all grade levels & [5-8th Grade Tech Exploration](#)



THE TALENT SHOW



SFCS seeks comedians, magicians, dancers, singers, musicians, jugglers, actors, or other acts of choice for the 2019 Talent Show!

Want a chance to show off your talents? Sign up for the Talent Show! Return this form to school before Spring Break. The first call for potential participants will be Monday, April 15th during lunch recess.

All students in TK-8 are welcome to participate. Students may be in a maximum of **two acts** (only **one individual act** per student). The maximum length of each act is **three minutes**. Singers must have backing music. No lip syncing, acapella, or singing along to a recording of someone else singing. All songs and acts must be appropriate for a school audience.

Students must show up to scheduled practices in the multi during their lunch recesses.

Students participating in the Talent Show will be performing for the student body, friends, and family on **Friday, June 7th** at an afternoon assembly. The exact time will be decided after the number of acts is determined.

Parents: Please complete and return the bottom portion of this form by April 18th.

___ Yes, my child has permission to participate in the Talent Show. I will remind my child to attend practices, will help him/her practice at home, and work with him/her to organize all materials needed (including costumes).

Student name: _____ Grade: _____

Act: _____

Name of background music, if needed: _____

Parent Signature: _____*

Questions? Contact Cate Cannon - cate@sierrafoothillcharterschool.org

**Please note that your signature does not guarantee your child a spot in the Talent Show. Students must show they are "performance ready" by the last rehearsal to participate. Thanks for understanding.*



April 8, 2019

TO: Parents/Guardians

RE: Donations for Service Learning Project

As a school wide service learning project, Sierra Foothill Charter School will be collecting donations to create gift baskets for residents of the Ewing Wing, which Mrs. Kamins and Ms. Starchman's classes will deliver on their May 21st field trip. An Amazon wishlist has been created for easy ordering and delivery to the school. You may access our wishlist by going to the following link - <https://tinyurl.com/ewingwing>

If you'd prefer to purchase your donations elsewhere and bring them to the school, below is a list of items we are requesting. We are hoping to make 24 baskets for the residents.

- 24 sets of unisex, adult house socks
- 24 blankets
- 24 toothbrushes/toothpaste
- 24 bars of unscented soap
- 24 notebooks/pens
- 24 bottles of unscented lotion
- 24 combs/brushes/hair clips
- 24 other personal care items (stick deodorant, body wash/spray)
- Postage stamps

If you'd prefer to make a cash donation, you can make one at the office and Mrs. Kamins and Ms. Starchman will purchase any last minute needed items for the baskets.

Donations can be dropped off at the office or can be brought to Room 3. **Please make all donations by Friday, May 10th** so that baskets can be arranged before the field trip.

Thank you in advance for your generous contributions.



Kid's Government Day

Sponsored by Mariposa County

APRIL 25, 2019

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

MARIPOSA PARK

Parks & Recreation will host games and activities. The Fire Department will host a fire truck demo and the Sheriff will bring their K-9 unit for dog demonstration. Other offices will be on hand to talk with kids about all the ways the County works with youth.

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

MARIPOSA PARK

Lunch provided by Parks and Recreation

1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

MARIPOSA LIBRARY

Join Library staff in the Children's Room for crafts, demonstrations, and activities for all ages.

2:30 PM - 3:00 PM

COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER

Kid's Choice Budget Event - Every child will receive pieces of candy for use in a priority-based budgeting exercise. They will use the candy to place votes for a new pool, baseball field, playground, rec center, or other item.

2:30 PM - 4:00 PM

COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER

The Clerk of the Board will guide Kid Supervisors through a mock board meeting where all County children can present ideas for making Mariposa County a great place for kids. The Auditor will present the Candy Budget.