



SAN MATEO-
FOSTER CITY
SCHOOL DISTRICT

Newsletter

Superintendent's Update - June 2019

Dear San Mateo–Foster City Community,

As our school year comes to an end, I'd like to thank our staff and families for another exciting and productive year!

New Elementary School in Foster City

I am very pleased to announce that the Board of Trustees of the San Mateo-Foster City School District awarded a bid for the construction of a new elementary school in Foster City. The successful bidder was Overaa, a large California construction firm with headquarters in the Bay Area, which specializes in public construction projects including schools. Overaa submitted the lowest, most responsible and responsive base bid of \$29.998 million, which pursuant to California law, resulted in it being the successful bidder.



After title to the property is transferred to the District by Westlake Urban, contract documents will be finalized and construction of the school is projected to start in July with anticipated completion in early 2021. Like any construction project, the completion date is weather-dependent.

The base bid is for a school of approximately 425, K-5 students and includes 17 classrooms, including a classroom for the District's before and after school fee-based program, a multipurpose room, library/media center, administration building, and smaller rooms for support services. The total square footage included in the base bid is 36,510.

Please accept my sincere appreciation of the Board and the community for your ongoing support to reach this important point after many years of seeking a fourth elementary school in Foster City to provide classrooms and support facilities for increased enrollments.

New Principals

We are pleased to welcome the following new principals beginning in the 2019-2020 school year:

- Jeremy Packman to Abbott Middle School
- Chad Slife to LEAD Elementary School
- Nima Tahai to Parkside Elementary School

We look forward to having them on our team.

Wishing you all a wonderful and relaxing summer break!

Sincerely,
Joan Rosas



Stay in Touch with SMFCSD!

Stay in touch with SMFCSD! Follow/Like us on social media to keep current on fun events and happenings in our schools.

- Facebook - [Like @SanMateoFosterCitySD](#)
- Twitter - [Follow us @SMFCSD](#)
- Instagram - [Follow us on @smfcsd](#)

Important Dates

Thu, Jun 20
School Board Meeting,
6:30 pm - District Office

Thu, Jun 20
Last Day of School

Thu, Jun 25
Special School Board Meeting,
8:00 am - District Office/Site
Visitations

Tue, Aug 13
First Day of School

Update Your Student's Information This Summer!

San Mateo-Foster City School District



English

Aeries
Student Information System

Email

NEXT

Forgot Password?

Get the Aeries Mobile Portal App!

Download on the App Store

GET IT ON Google Play

Attention Parents/Guardians! On July 26, SMFCSD will open the Parent Portal in our Student Information System (Aeries) for families to verify their child's contact information & complete annual SMFCSD forms for the 2019-20 school year.

Parents can access the system anytime during the three-week Student Data Confirmation window, which will be open from Friday, July 26, 2019 – Friday, August 16, 2019.

An email invitation to update your child's information will be sent on July 26, 2019. For families who do not have access to a computer, paper forms will be available at your school site. Please watch for this important email.

Don't Miss Abbott's *Into the Woods, Jr.* This Weekend



If you missed the opening weekend of "Into the Woods Jr." fear not! There will be three more shows this coming weekend - Friday, June 14 at 7 PM, Saturday, June 15 at 2 PM, and Sunday, June 16 at 2 PM. Tickets on sale now at: brownpapertickets.com/event/4205509

Summer Enrichment Theater Program



SMFC School District Summer Enrichment THEATER PROGRAM

Join us for a **supercalifragilisticexpialidocious**
summer of singing, dancing & acting at

THE BAYSIDE PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

July 2 - July 26*

Mondays – Fridays
8:30am – 12:00noon
* No class on July 4

Register Today

at myschoolbucks.com
Before 5pm on June 28

\$550 Enrichment Fee +\$2.00 online convenience fee

INCOMING 3RD – 8TH GRADE STUDENTS who
live within the San Mateo-Foster City School District
are invited to **JOIN THE CAST OF MARY POPPINS JR.!**

EVERYONE WHO SIGNS UP GETS A PART IN THE PLAY!

Anything can happen if you let it...

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT
LIZABETH KAPRIELIAN, Program Producer/Production Manager
lkaprielian@smfc.k12.ca.us



Join us for a supercalifragilisticexpialidocious summer! Registration for the SMFCSD Enrichment Theatre Program "Mary Poppins Jr." is now open! Space is limited, so enroll your incoming 3rd-8th grade student ASAP - go to myschoolbucks.com

FREE Summer Lunch Program



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CHILD NUTRITION SERVICES

SUMMER LUNCH PROGRAM

Free for all kids 18 and under!!!

No paperwork necessary



FRIENDS
FREE MEALS
FUN

Lunch served from
12:00 PM - 12:30 PM at LEAD
12:15 PM - 12:45 PM at College Park
Monday thru Friday

No Lunch served on July 4th



College Park Elementary

715 Indian Avenue
San Mateo
Lunch will be served in the MPR
Serving June 24th - August 9th

LEAD Elementary

949 Ocean View Avenue
San Mateo
Lunch will be served in the LGI
Serving July 2nd - August 2nd

For More Information please call Child Nutrition Services at 650-312-1968

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.



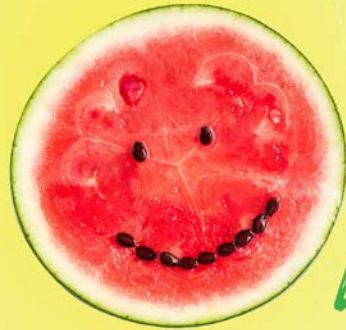
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SERVICIOS DE NUTRICIÓN

PROGRAMA DE ALMUERZO DE VERANO

iiiGratis para niños 18 y menores!!!

No se requiere papeleo



AMIGOS
COMIDAS
GRATIS
DIVERTIDO

Se sirve el almuerzo desde
12:00 PM - 12:30 PM a LEAD
12:15 PM - 12:45 PM a College Park

Lunes a Viernes

No se sirve almuerzo el 4 de Julio



Primaria College Park

715 Indian Avenue
San Mateo
Almuerzo se sirve en el MPR
Sirviendo Junio 24 a Agosto 9

Primaria LEAD

949 Ocean View Avenue
San Mateo
Almuerzo se sirve en el LGI
Sirviendo Julio 2 a Agosto 3

Para más Información por favor llame a Servicios de Nutrición de Niños al 650-312-1968
Esta institución brinda igualdad de oportunidades.

Congratulations Retirees!



2019 SMFCSD Retirees

Congratulations to our SMFCSD retirees! Thank you for your many years of service to our children and our community. We wish you all the best!

Bowditch Wins Yearbook Award



Bowditch Yearbook Staff

Congratulations to the [Bowditch Middle School](#) Yearbook class on being awarded, for the second year in a row, the Jostens' National Yearbook Program of Excellence Award! This award is given to less than 10% of all of Jostens' schools throughout the United States. We are very proud of this hard-working class who has created a one of a kind Bowditch 50th Anniversary Yearbook.

San Mateo Mayor Visits Sunnybrae



San Mateo Mayor Diane Papan

Thank you to San Mateo Mayor Diane Papan & staff for visiting [Sunnybrae Elementary](#) to answer our student's questions about what San Mateo is doing to lessen the effects of climate change & global warming!

Beresford Makerspace



Beresford Makerspace

Thank you **Sony Playstation Networks** and the [San Mateo Foster City Community Education Foundation](#) for creating a fantastic Makerspace at [Beresford Elementary](#)! Students now have a place to get hands-on, test theories, and use their interactive, critical thinking skills.

George Hall Beautification



George Hall Beautification

Hundreds of volunteers participated in [George Hall Elementary's](#) Spring Beautification Day! Overall, 16 projects/sub-projects were completed (or had significant work done on them) including:

- Building 3 new garden beds
- Moving over 200 rocks to the art room, and washing and priming enough to allow the 11 remaining classrooms to paint Kindness Rocks over the next 3 weeks
- Moving all the KinderGathering trees and planters to a location accessible for summer watering
- Creating kid-decorated crates and pots for creating gardening entries to the San Mateo County Fair
- Painting lines for kindergarten release, travel lines around Jojo's Court, and two tic-tac-toe courts for Playworks games and repainting two benches for the kindergarten playground
- Initial design work for a tree/monkey mural coat hook area at the playground entrance to the school
- Installing a new and improved Lost & Found rack in Jojo's court

Thank you to everyone who participated! **Save the date for Saturday, August 10**, when we will be refurbishing rooms 5 and 26 and creating the monkey mural!

Science TOSA, Ian Kastelic, Goes Global!



Ian Kastelic

Congratulations to our very own Teacher on Special Assignment (TOSA), Ian Kastelic, who is highly engaged in Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS) implementation, having served on training teams for the roll out of NGSS in the State of California and presenting valuable guidelines for integrating the SEPs and CCCs with existing curriculum, and expanding it to include grades 4-8 during his Flinn Scientific webinars. Visit the Flinn Scientific website for more information - [Beyond Awareness: The Next Steps in NGSS Implementation!](#)

San Mateo-Foster City Education Foundation News



Congratulations and many thanks to our wonderful 5th grade musicians and teachers! We hope many of you were able to enjoy the 5th grade concerts held in May. It is amazing what our kids can accomplish with just one year of music!



LEAD Elementary 5th Grade Music Concert



San Mateo Park Musicians

"Our 5th grade music program gives students the opportunity to make music come alive. Three of our students played their instrument in the Talent Show because they were so proud to share what they had learned. Then, at the music performance, all of our students continued playing their instruments well after it was over. It has become a passion for our students which has opened up so many doors."

Cristina Haley, Principal
San Mateo Park Elementary School

BREAKING NEWS! The SMFC Ed Foundation was just awarded a \$150,000 grant from Gilead Sciences Inc. for TK-8th grade science education! More details to follow this summer @ smfcedfund.org.

SMFCEF is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, donations are tax-deductible. Tax ID 94-3110731

School Board Meeting Highlights



To review board presentations, upcoming agendas, and previous meeting minutes - go to the [Board Agenda & Summaries](#) page of the SMFCSD website.

Highlights of Recent Meetings

At the June 6, 2019 Meeting:

- Held a Study Session on Enrollment in Montessori Magnet Schools, Fee based Pre-Schools and Priority Entrance, and Current Magnet Policy
- Recognized our 2018-2019 Retirees
- Received a Communications Committee update
- Conducted a public hearing on the Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP)
- Received information on the Draft Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) 2019-2020
- Conducted a Public Hearing on the 2019-2020 Budget Adoption
- Received information on the 2019-2020 Budget Adoption (Draft)
- Received information on the 2019-2020 Fund Balance in Excess of the Minimum Reserve Level
- Awarded the construction bid for the New Elementary School in Foster City

At the May 16, 2019 Meeting:

- Recognized Distinguished Schools - Borel and Bowditch Middle Schools
- Approved Resolution No. 36/18-19 – Classified School Employee Appreciation Week
- Received an Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) Update
- Approved Resolution No. 32/18-19 - Classified Layoffs

All Board Meetings are open to the public and held at the San Mateo-Foster City School District Office - 1170 Chess Drive, Foster City at 6:30 pm. Community members are encouraged to attend.

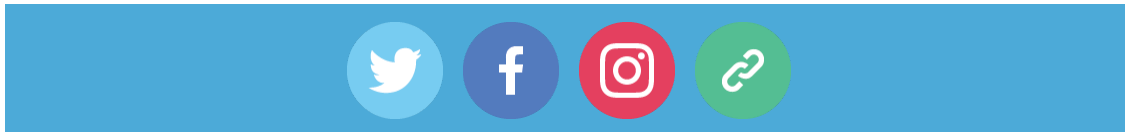
2018-2019 SMFCSD Student Calendar

- August 13 - First Day of School
- September 2 - Labor Day Holiday
- September 20 - Staff Professional Development Day - No School
- October 7-18 - Fall Break
- November 11 - Veteran's Day Holiday
- November 27-29 - Thanksgiving Break - No School
- December 23 - January 3 - Winter Break
- January 6-7 - Staff Professional Development & Staff Work Days - No School
- January 20 - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Holiday
- February 17 - President's Day Holiday
- March 13 - Staff Professional Development Day - No School
- April 6-17 - Spring Break
- May 25 - Memorial Day Holiday
- June 17 - Last Day of School



The 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 SMFCSD Calendars are now available on the [SMFCSD website](#).

Export the SMFCSD Calendar to your device - Are you tired of manually entering important dates into your calendar? Now you can export the SMFCSD Calendar to your device, just click on [Export the SMFCSD calendar](#).



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