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MEGAN CHANDLER

It's hard to believe there's less than a month of school days left—this year has truly flown by! As we head into the final stretch, our campus continues to be filled with energy, connection, and so many meaningful moments for our students.

We are incredibly grateful to the amazing volunteers who have helped make this spring so special. A big thank you to **Rebecca Love** for coordinating a fantastic Career Day and bringing such a wide range of experiences into our classrooms. Thank you to **Shira and Jon Markovich** for organizing a fun and informative Bike Rodeo—helping our students build confidence and stay safe. And of course, a huge thank you to **Ashley Fournier** and **Staci Resnick** for putting together the unforgettable (and dare I say the best one yet!?) *Havana Nights Gala*—what a beautiful evening supporting our school and having a blast with our community!

As always, thank you to every family, teacher, and volunteer who continues to show up and support Riviera. *Every voice matters*, and together we truly are **one community, one heart**.

Warmly,

Megan Chandler
PTA President

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As we enter the month of May…only 28 days remain in the school year. Every week is action packed Teachers Appreciation Week (May 4-8), Mother Son Event (May 8th from 6:00-8:00 p.m.), CAASPP Testing (May 11-29), Field Trips, Spring Chorus Performance (May 28th- 6:00 p.m.), the Spring Book Fair (May 18th) and Portfolio Day on May 22nd!

There will also be a Blue Ribbon Celebration for Police Officers & those that serve(d) in the military. All parents that have served as police, fire, first responder and/or in the military are invited to attend Riviera flag assembly on May 26th at 9:00 a.m. Thank you for your service!

Portfolio Day is a very special day for our students to showcase a year's worth of work and growth! Parents are invited onto campus from 10:00-1:00 to view student portfolios! Bring a blanket, backpack chairs or sit at a bench/table on campus and relax, spend time and look through your children's work.

While here, please walk around campus and visit the cafeteria to see the Adventures In Art Show and Book Fair. Every Riviera student will have a piece of art on display. Visit the Book Fair with your son/daughter to purchase books for summer reading.

10:00-12:00-Classrooms will be open from: *Please sign in at your child's classroom!*

12:00-1:00- Schoolwide Special Someone Lunch: This year, there will be an orchestra providing entertainment during the lunch hour! Bring a picnic blanket & lunch for your children.

1:00-1:30-Riviera Band Performance by Room 32

1:30-2:30 All Star Student vs Parent Kickball: Enjoy watching the game!

If you sign your son/daughter off campus after your visit, please sign out at the classroom.

We look forward to seeing all of our Riviera families on Portfolio Day! The front and back gates will be available for entry/exit on Portfolio Day.



Congratulations to Mr. Musick and Mrs. Wood on their upcoming retirements! Both lifelong educators have made a lasting impact on students, families and colleagues in the Riviera community and we wish them the best in retirement.

Mr. Musick was a Riviera student, his children attended Riviera and he has been teaching for 20 years @ Richardson, Home Hospital and Riviera.
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Mrs. Wood taught at Seaside for 9 years and Riviera for 16 years!
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Congratulations Mr. Musick and Mrs. Wood and thank you for your service to students, families and colleagues in TUSD!

Mrs. Forshey
Riviera Elementary Principal

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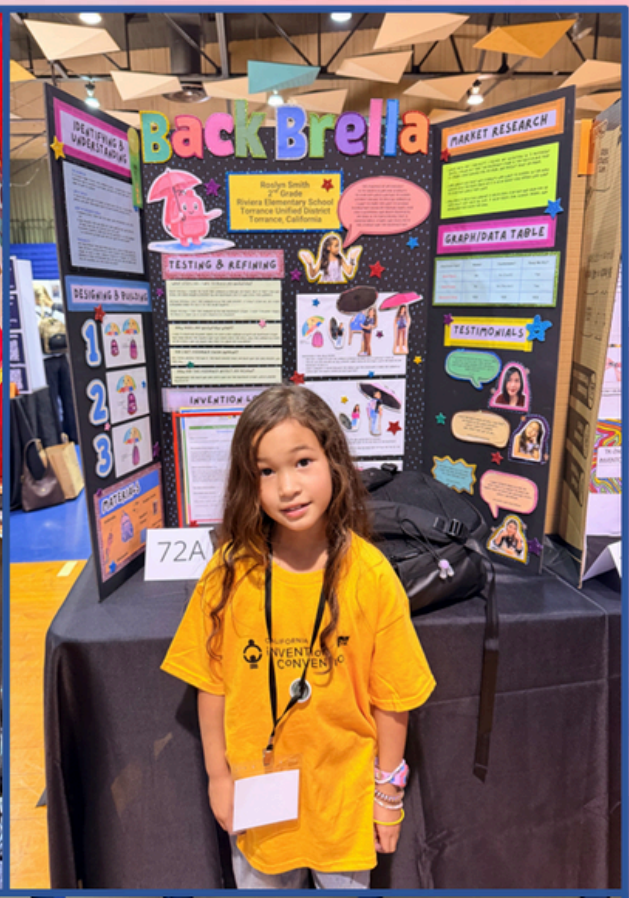
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Calling all of our amazing Riviera Teachers,
Staff, Famly, and Friends!!
Your $15 PTA Membership Supports State, District & Local School Programs

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Dear 5th Grade Parents,

The countdown is on! On **Wednesday, June 10th**, our wonderful 5th graders will come together for an unforgettable day-long celebration on the Riviera Elementary grass field. This year's theme? Ride the Wave to Middle School! It's going to be a day packed with fun, laughter, and cherished memories as they bid farewell to elementary school and gear up for their exciting next chapter.

Here's the best part—it's a surprise! Let's uphold this beloved tradition by keeping the details under wraps so the kids can enjoy every moment of the big reveal.

To make this day truly magical, we need your help. Here are two simple ways you can pitch in:

1. **Contribute to the party fund:** Your donation ensures we can provide lunch, games, themed t-shirts, and plenty of special surprises to make the day everything your kids deserve. Click Here to Join In.
2. **Volunteer your time:** We'll be sharing a SignUp Genius link soon with opportunities to help out on the big day. In the meantime, we encourage all volunteers to also contribute to the party fund to help cover costs.

With your support, we can create a celebration that our kids will remember for years to come. Thank you for helping us send them off to middle school in style!

Warm regards,
The Riviera 5th Grade Celebration Team

QUICKLINK:

WWW.RIVIERAPTA.COM/5THGRADEPARTY-2026

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Thank You
for Attending Our Gala!
We are so grateful to everyone who attended and supported our Gala–your support means everything!
A huge thank you to our generous sponsors for helping bring this event to life–we couldn't have done it without you.
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It truly takes a village…
and wow, did this village show up!

Thank you to everyone who helped bring our Gala to life — whether you were securing donations and sponsorships, planning behind the scenes, setting up, running the night, or staying late to **clean it all up.**

Every detail was noticed, every effort appreciated, and none of it went unnoticed.

A huge thank you to our incredible Riviera families who generously donated items and **experiences.** Your contributions are what make this event so special and successful year after year.

Endless gratitude to our Gala Chairs, **Ashley Fournier-Baksh** and **Staci Resnick**, for leading the charge and somehow making it **all look easy** (we know it wasn't!).

A very special thank you to **Allison Tanaka** for her massive contribution to our virtual bidding website and **so much more** — truly a game changer.

And to our amazing team who made the magic happen:

- Molly Holcomb
- Lindsey Finegan
- Kara Younes
- Jenny Peters
- Abby Cowen
- Jason Baksh
- Matt Epperheimer
- Jon Markovich
- Kelly Vaughn
- Siegrun Smith
- Kelly Vaughn
- Judith Mintz
- Motoko Maki
- Megan Chandler
- Amanda Sten
- Jules Gaul
- Heidi Duncan
- Dani Epperheimer
- Matt McClurg
  (our fearless MC of the night!)

Thank you for your time, energy, flexibility, and all the behind-the-scenes hustle that made the night unforgettable.

We are so lucky to be part of a community.
that shows up like this. Truly grateful.

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THANK YOU FOR MAKING THIS PLACE

SHINE SO BRIGHT!

TEACHER & STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK

RIVIERA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

MAY 4 - MAY 8, 2026

MONDAY:

MAKE YOUR TEACHER SHINE BY BRINGING A PERSONALIZED NOTE OR ART

TUESDAY:

FILL YOUR TEACHER WITH SUNSHINE BY ADDING CLASSROOM SUPPLIES

WEDNESDAY:

THANK YOUR TEACHER BY WEARING YELLOW AND SUNGLASSES

THURSDAY:

BRING YOUR TEACHER A FAVORITE TREAT!

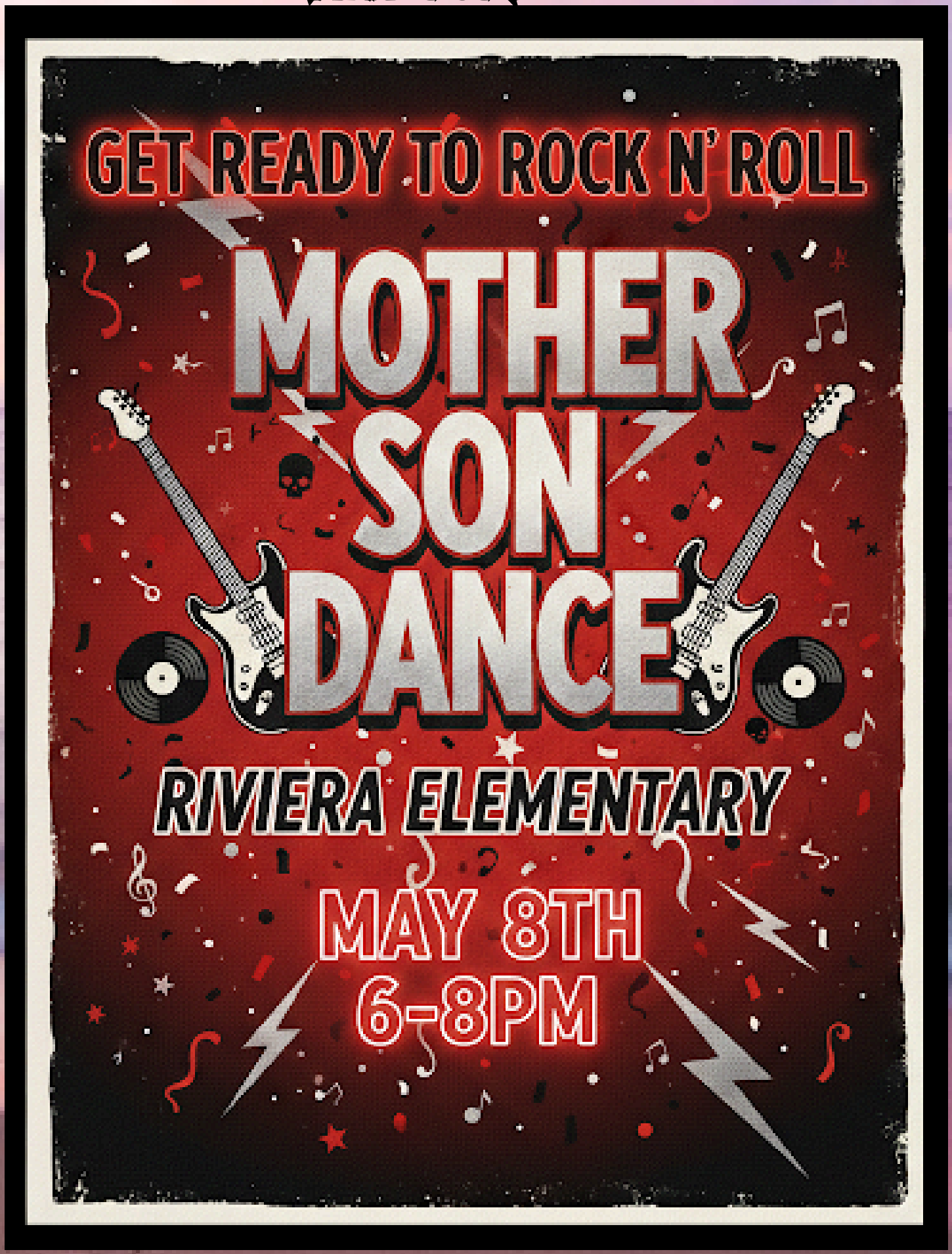
FRIDAY:

THANKS FOR BEING SO AMAZING!
BRING YOUR TEACHER SOMETHING SPECIAL!

OUR FUTURE IS SO BRIGHT!!

WE APPRECIATE ALL YOU DO - THE RIVIERA SCHOOL PTA

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SAVE THE DATE! GET READY TO PARTY LIKE A ROCK STAR AT OUR RIVIERA ELEMENTARY MOTHER SON DANCE ON MAY 8TH FROM 6-8PM. VOLUNTEER SIGN-UPS TO COME!

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Hi Docents!

Thank you all for Participating in Aprils "We all Belong Event" . We have moved the read aloud books to the display shelves for the children to check-out if they would like to.

We are getting close to the end of the year, which means we are getting very close to the last of this year's library visits.

Last week to check out/last time students are in the library: May 18-22
Docents Please come in on your regular day/time to return books and help organize shelves:: May 25-29 (No Students, Just Docents)

- Please touch base with your teacher so they are aware of the schedule and can make adjustments to their lesson plans. The last day that teachers and students will be visiting the library is the week of MAY 18-22
- Please make every effort to get all overdue books checked in. It's important we let students and families know that lost books need to be paid for. Please send home overdue/lost notices--parents can use the QR code to pay overdue/lost fines.
- Please plan on coming in during your usual day/time the week of May25-29. During this week, we ask that all docents come at their regular scheduled time to help us with end-of-year library organization. This will include checking in books, organizing your allocated shelves, and ensuring books are in both alphabetical and Dewey Decimal order. Our goal is to leave the library in excellent condition for the new school year. We have noticed throughout the year that many books have been shelved wrongly, making them difficult to locate. Your help in restoring order will make a big difference and support a smooth start for next year.

We also want to take this opportunity to sincerely thank each of you for an amazing year in the library. We are incredibly grateful for all of our wonderful docents and the time, care, and dedication you have given throughout the year.

On Portfolio Day, May 22nd, the library will be open to welcome families to come and look around. We will also be hosting an "End-of-year book drive" and encourage donations to help support our collection. Please see the attached flyer for more details.
Thank you again for everything you do for our library community.

Please share this email with your class parents, all teachers have been sent this email.

Thank you,
Melissa & Amalia
Library Co-Chairs
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End-of-Year Book Drive



Can you believe the school year is almost over?

Clear out those books and give them a new home in the Library!

Join us on Portfolio Day!

- Bring in gently used or like-new children's books
- Hardcover books only, please
- No textbooks, encyclopedias, or adult novels

Drop off at the Library!

We'll have a special spot ready for your donations!

Give your books a second chance to be loved!





"Don't shelve them—share them!