

CHEETAH CHATTER

Chet F. Harritt STEAM School Principal's Newsletter

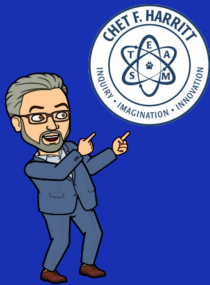


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"WHAT ARE WE DOING FOR OTHERS?" HOW ABOUT KINDNESS?



Ted Hooks, Principal

Each year when Martin Luther King, Jr. Day comes around, I often reflect on his powerful words.

This year, this quote by Dr. King got my attention:

"Life's most persistent and urgent question is, 'What are you doing for others?'"

At Chet we often speak of empathy. It's one of our DREAM traits. Understanding how others feel is critical. However taking *action*, like Dr. King is asking, is the next step.

Children can often share this action through acts of kindness. Later this month we will be focusing on The Great Kindness Challenge

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doing for others?"*
— Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.



which will share all sorts of ideas for showing kindness at school, at home, and in the community.

While kindness isn't enough to solve all of the world's complicated issues, it's a great step in that direction.

So, what are *you* doing for others?

Thank you Dr. King, for inspiring us to think and take action.

Have a great weekend, and I'll see you in the halls.

Sincerely,
Ted Hooks

**NO SCHOOL MONDAY
CALSSSES RESUME TUESDAY, JANUARY 17**



GET READY TO SHOW THAT KINDNESS!

Kids for Peace

presents



**The Great
Kindness
Challenge**

January 23 – 27, 2023

#GrowKindness
#GreatKindnessChallenge

ANOTHER WAY TO CELEBRATE KINDNESS

The Santee Collaborative is shedding a light on what makes Santee so wonderful by sharing stories of kindness from our schools, community members, businesses, and organizations. Join the effort by sharing a story of kindness, requesting a kindness sign for your yard, or sharing the graphics on social media. Learn more at santeesd.net/kindness.

**Believe
There is
Good in
the World**



#santeecares
#santeecollaborative



PTA ELECTIONS

If you are interested in
serving on the PTA Board



next year, it's time to let the PTA know, because it is election season.

Click [HERE](#) to see the full flyer on PeachJar.

If you are interested, please print the second page and submit it to the school office by January 19.

Chet F. Harritt – PTA Information Finder Form

Job Descriptions

President - The president is the presiding officer and the official representative of the association. The president runs the meetings, keeps the group on track, is an official check signer, encourages volunteers and promotes school spirit. Minimum time commitment is approximately 20 hours a month.

Vice President – Serving as Vice President of a PTA includes the responsibility of assisting the President in leading the PTA toward specific goals chosen by its members, which must be consistent with the policies and procedures of the PTA and the School. Minimum time commitment is approximately 10-15 hours a month.

Treasurer – The treasurer is responsible for in-coming and out-going funds, balances the checkbook, signs checks, prepares monthly financial reports, ensures taxes and reports required by PTA bylaws, insurance or federal and state governments are completed and submitted by the due dates. Minimum time commitment is approximately 8-10 hours per month.

Secretary- The secretary is an officer on the PTA Board and is one of the three required officers for a PTA. The secretary keeps an accurate, concise, permanent record of the proceedings of all meetings of the association and of the executive board. The secretary is responsible for taking meeting minutes monthly and distributing them back to the board. Minimum time commitment is approximately 2 hours per month.

Historian- The Historian is an officer on the PTA Board and is responsible for photo and journal documentation of all PTA events. The Historian captures, assembles and preserves record of activities and achievements of a PTA. Minimum time commitment is approximately 10 hours per month.

Membership- Membership is an officer on the PTA Board and is responsible for encouraging membership to the PTA for parents, staff, and students. They are tasked with submitting creating and implementing a membership plan, promoting membership throughout the year, providing membership reports at PTA board and association meetings, collecting dues, distributing membership cards, and reporting membership data to the Ninth District Council. Minimum time commitment is approximately 10 hours per month

Fundraising- Fundraising is an officer on the PTA Board and responsible for facilitating fundraising and collecting vendor information for fundraising events throughout the year. Additionally, he/she will be responsible for distributing sale items back to the students and the community. Fundraising is responsible for raising money for PTA events and school. Minimum time commitment is approximately 10-20 hours per month.

Auditor- The Auditor is an officer on the PTA Board and is responsible auditing the books and financial records of a PTA to determine their accuracy twice a year. Minimum time commitment is approximately 5 hours per month.

If one of these positions is of interest to you, please provide the following information:

Name _____
Phone Number _____
Student Name _____ Grade _____
Desired Position _____

Please turn in a printed copy of
this form into the office no later
than January 19th, 2023.

REMINDER: GRADES 4-8 BUTTER BRAID FUNDRAISER UNDERWAY

Students in grades 4-8 will be able to raise funds with our next fundraiser, Butter Braid. It will begin January 9, so be looking for information when we return from Winter Break.

Funds raised are used for Sixth Grade Camp, as well as end of the year activities in grades 7 and 8. It's a simple way to put money in your child's name to offset the costs of these big events.



FRESH FROM YOUR OVEN



FUNDRAISER!
4TH - 8TH GRADES

STARTS MONDAY 1/9
ENDS TUESDAY 1/24

Apple, Cinnamon, Strawberry, Cream Cheese, Bavarian Creme, Four Cheese & herb

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ENGINEERING FAMILY STEAM NIGHT JANUARY 25, 2023 5:00PM

Events:

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| 4:30pm | \$5 sandwich bags from Santee Board and Brew available.* |
| 4:45pm | Introduction |
| 5:00-5:30pm | Engineering Rotation 1 |
| 5:30-6:00pm | Engineering Rotation 2 |

*sandwich bags available for the first 65 people.
Bags include sandwich, chips, and a water bottle.

**REMINDER:
SPRING BREAK**

OUT-OF-SCHOOL TIME

Spring Break CAMPS



PROJECT SAFE



8 A.M. - 5 P.M.

Extended Hours

\$30 Flat Rate

6:30 - 8 A.M. | 5 - 6 P.M.



RIO SECO SCHOOL

9545 Cuyamaca St.

Week 1: April 3 - 6

TRADITIONAL CAMPS

\$160

Canoe Camp: TK/Kinder

Adventure Camp: 1st - 3rd grade

Frontier Camp: 4th - 8th grade

SPECIALTY CAMPS

\$280

Mini Explorers

1st - 3rd Grade

Traveling camp - field trips daily

Week 2: April 10 -14

TRADITIONAL CAMPS

\$200

Canoe Camp: TK/Kinder

Adventure Camp: 1st - 3rd grade

Frontier Camp: 4th - 8th grade

SPECIALTY CAMPS

\$285

Voyagers

4th - 8th Grade

Traveling camp - field trips daily

Gymnastics Camp

1st - 6th Grade

Travels to YMCA daily

\$275

YALE PRESCHOOL



6:30 A.M. -

6 P.M.



HILL CREEK SCHOOL

9665 Jeremy St.

April 3-6 & April 10-14

TRADITIONAL CAMP

\$480

Students must enroll for both weeks. Price reflects total for the two weeks.



REGISTER THROUGH EZCHILDTRACK

Santee School District | 619.258.2369 | santeesd.net/OSTP



CAMP REGISTRATION OPEN

The Out-of-School Time Programs department is offering traditional and specialty Spring Break camps for preschool through 8th grade.

Visit santeesd.net/OSTP for more information. Space is limited, so sign up soon!

REMINDER: LAST CHANCE TO REGISTER PARENT PRESENTATION AT RIO SECO MULTIPURPOSE ROOM JANUARY 19

There is childcare available for this event. You can learn more by clicking [HERE](#) for the flyer or just click below to register!

Tips for Parents in the Digital Age

Join us January 19 at 6 p.m. to learn about technology trends and how to keep our kids safe.

Free childcare will be available.

[Click to Register!](#)



REMINDER: 8TH GRADE FAMILIES SCHOOL CHOICE FOR HIGH SCHOOL IS OPEN NOW!

If your child is planning to attend high school in the Grossmont High School District next year, the window is now open (Dec. 1-Feb. 28) for requesting School Choice (attending a school that is not within your address boundary) and for general registration [click here](#) for more information on how to complete the School Choice Requests, and more information about the [Grossmont High School Boundaries](#).

ATTENTION 8TH GRADE FAMILIES

**WEST HILLS
HIGH SCHOOL**
-school of choice in the
GUHSD District

Create your future with us

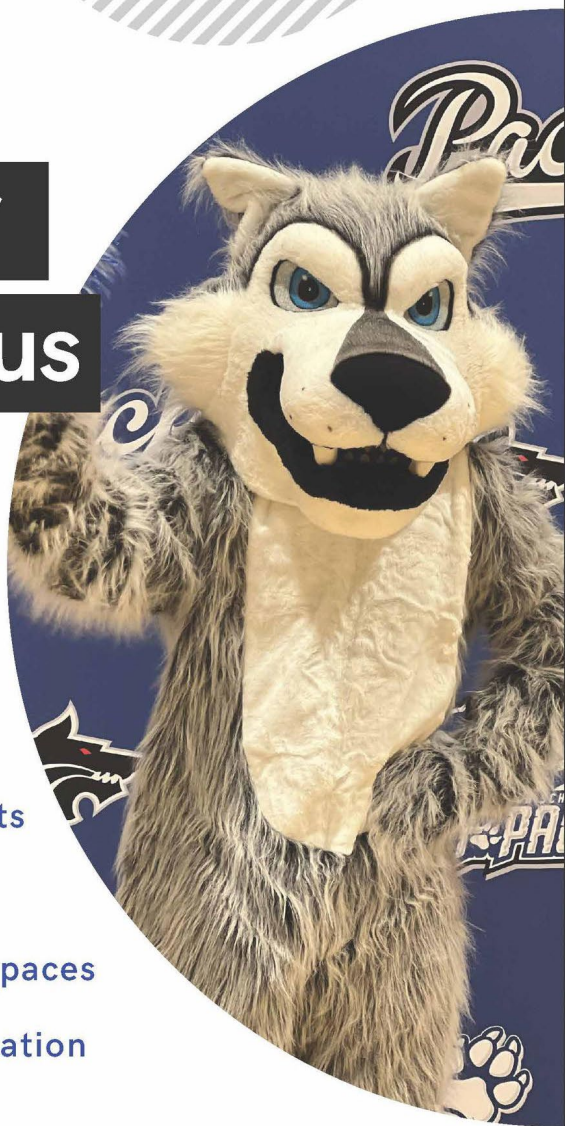
SCHOOL SHOWCASE EVENT

Learn About:

- Honors & AP Offerings
- CTE & AVID Programs
- Athletics & Performing Arts
- ASB & Student Clubs

Also:

- Walk through classroom spaces and meet teachers
- Get help w/Online Registration



JANUARY 18TH @5:30PM

Taco Truck and Smoothie Cart available for purchase starting at 4:30PM for anyone wanting to enjoy dinner before the event!



FOR MORE INFO ON WHHS, VISIT:
bit.ly/whhs-showcase
or scan the QR code:

SCAN ME



UPCOMING EVENTS

January 16

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (NO SCHOOL)

Janaury 23-27 The Great Kindness Challenge Week
January 24 Butter Braid Fundraiser Ends
January 25 Engineering Family STEAM Night
February 13 Lincoln's Day (NO SCHOOL)
February 20 Washington's Day (NO SCHOOL)
February 28 School Choice for High School Closes (8th gr)

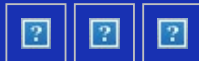
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