



Chet F. Harritt STEAM School

Cheetah STEAM Newsletter 10.16.20

Good Evening Chet F. Harritt Families. This is Mrs. Hicks with some important announcements.

Let me start by sharing how amazing our Chet students and staff are! Despite these challenging times, our students and staff jumped right in to our new “normal” and have been rocking it. I thank you all for supporting us so that we can provide the best at our school. This year we will continue with our focus on PBIS (Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports) as we did last year. As a school, we remind our students to DREAM. Show diligence, respect, empathy, accountability and motivation. These are especially important now so please help us in using this shared language and showing our students what these characteristics look like inside and outside of school.

Thinking of our DREAM motto, one way we currently do this is through 3 W’s. To help minimize the spread of COVID-19 we ask that you help remind your student to follow these guidelines:

- Wear a Mask
- Wash Your Hands
- Watch Your Distance

On that note, it is also important that all of our families monitor the health of all family members and make sure that anyone who is feeling ill stays home. We thank you for helping to protect our staff and students by following our district health protocols. If you keep your child home for any reason, please call and let Mrs. Kierstin know. Our absence line is **(619) 258-2205**, select 7. We need to follow up on all students’ absences and your phone call would help us greatly.

Important Dates:

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| October 23 | School Spirit Day (Wear Blue or your Chet shirt) |
| October 26 | Red Ribbon Week (Please see the flyer attached here) |

November 2	End of Trimester 1
November 11	Veteran's Day – No School
November 13	Report Cards Sent Home
November 23-27	Thanksgiving Break

Follow us on district social media:

We invite all Chet F. Harritt STEAM School families, friends and community members to follow our social media channels including Facebook and Twitter. Our Facebook page and Twitter page are our landing spots for district communication, photos, videos, event postings and content highlighting student, and faculty accomplishments. You can find us by searching @CFHElementary on Facebook and @SSDCFH on Twitter.

ELAC (English Language Advisory Committee):

We need parents of students identified as English Learners to serve on our ELAC Committee. Please reach out to Mrs. Nelson if you are interested in serving this committee or if you would like to nominate someone. The committee will meet 3-4 times a year to discuss the goals for our EL students. Your input is incredibly important. You can contact Mrs. Nelson at rebecca.nelson@santeesd.net

Parent Teacher for Conferences:

Parent conference week will be re-scheduled this year. We will remain in a hybrid schedule for the week of November 2 – 6 and will not be conducting parent conferences that week as previously noted on the school district calendar. Please stay tuned for more information about conferences and how we will distribute Trimester 1 Report Cards.

Optional iPad Insurance

The cost to participate in the 2020-2021 School Year Optional iPad Insurance program is \$25. The optional device insurance for your student assigned iPad may be purchased through the end of October. Payment can be made from the "Optional iPad Insurance Payment Link" on the school's website (under Announcements). Payment can only be made online.

For more information on the Optional iPad Device Insurance, please visit - <http://www.santeesd.net/Page/12944>

PTA Fall Fundraiser

We are already halfway through the PTA's Charleston Wrap fundraiser! Have you registered yet? Can you send 10 email invitations to your friends & family tonight and help us spread the word? With only one week left, please don't wait until it's too late. With your support, we can help the teachers and students with items needed throughout the year.

PTA Thanksgiving Event Committee

The PTA is wanting to host a Thanksgiving event and we are looking for volunteers! If you are interested and would like to be a part of the committee please find them on FB (@cfhptahelp) or email at cfhptahelp@gmail.com.

Committee Job duties entail: Helping the Committee Chair, bringing up ideas, and executing them.

Chet Gear

Have you been wondering how to get a new Chet spirit shirt or sweatshirt? Well, now is your chance. Our PTA is starting a pre-order on sweatshirt and t-shirts. You can find the order forms on the Chet F. Harritt PTA FB page at <https://www.facebook.com/cfhptahelp/> or on peach jar. Please print the forms out and attach payment before turning it in. You can drop your order forms into the hanging black locked box on the front gate or in the office. Please do not have students give to their teachers. Shirts and sweatshirts will be handed out at a table in front of the school on a designated day. Please like our PTA FB page to stay informed.

Have a great evening!

Please continue to check <http://www.santeesd.net/> for updates.

[Safe at School Reopening Plan](#) (Updated October 9th)

[Santee SD Covid-19 Dashboard](#)

[Santee School District Calendar 2020-21](#)