

CVMS

March 15, 2024

NEWSLETTER

From the Principal

Good afternoon, Bobcat Families!

Last night, our amazing PTSA hosted our "World of Talent Variety Show" on campus. There were 20 acts in all, displaying our students' extraordinary range of talents. I was joined on stage with a handful of teachers (Ms. Stiles, Ms. Geminiani, Mr. Patterson, and Mr. Brion) to play our rendition of the Romantics' early 80s hit, "What I Like About My School." While we were certainly outclassed by our students, it was a fun night at CVMS. I look forward to a repeat performance next year!

Last week, CVMS honored Sandy Geminiani as our Teacher of the Year, and Ramon Munoz and Neal Scheyer as our Classified Employees of the Year. All three play an outsized role in keeping CVMS a fun, clean, and safe place for our students to learn and grow. Congratulations to all

Finally, I am happy to announce that the SDUHSD Board of Trustees named me as the Principal of CVMS moving forward. I am humbled and honored by the appointment and I am excited to continue working with our entire Bobcat community to make CVMS the best it can be!

Have a great weekend. Go Bobcats! Grrrrr...

Adam Bishop
Principal

Upcoming Events

3/15 ISPE Window Closes

3/19 No Place for Hate Event

3/19-22 Basketball Tournament at lunch

3/19 End of 3rd Quarter

3/21-22 Coffee Concerts for Music Parents/Grandparents

3/22 CVMS Band playing the National Anthem at SD Gull

3/25 Late Start - but that doesn't mean to be late, school starts at 9:45 a.m.

3/27 Bobcat Brag Party during PAW

Every Tues/Thurs:

Academic Power Hour
(tutoring) in the Learning Commons



Donate to CVMS

Thank you to everyone who has already donated. If you haven't please consider donating to Carmel Valley Middle School! Every dollar helps support programs on campus!

cvmsptsa.square.site/fundraiser



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ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Carmel Valley Middle School Families,

Your input is important and we want to provide you a safe space to anonymously share your perspectives. SDUHSD is gathering feedback on your perceptions of and experiences at school to improve how we serve and support all students, staff, families, and our community.

We ask that you take a few minutes to provide your input by taking the California School Parent Survey. The survey will be open from Friday, March 1 through Friday, March 15. The survey is anonymous and hosted by a third party, WestEd in partnership with CalSCHLS.

We will use the results of this survey as well as the California Healthy Kids Survey and the California School Staff Survey to set or confirm district priorities, identify focused areas for improvement, and evaluate our programs, policies, and practices for the coming school years.

[Carmel Valley Middle School](#)

Thank you!

Sincerely,
Nathan Molina
Assistant Principal

COUNSELOR'S CORNER

Our No Place for Hate Leadership Team is planning a school wide advisory lesson on Monday March 18th to raise awareness and give some practical strategies for dealing with unkind speech- whether it be insults based on race or religion to unkind comments that are explained away by "I was just joking". Comments such as these are something that face all middle schools and is something that students here at CVMS share that make them feel unwelcome or send the message that they don't belong because of who they are. This would be a great time to talk with your student about the impact that their words, whether intended or not, can often hurt other people. Please be sure to ask your student what they learned from the presentation on Monday after school.

A reminder about Harvard University's Making Caring Common Project sponsored webinar "[Supporting Mental Health of Teens in Your Life](#)", on March 18th and April 24th. Please use the link for more information and registration.

If your family is moving out of the CVMS area next year, please email Tracy Ngo at Tracy.Ngo@sduhsd.net so that she can take your family out of our data base and facilitate a smooth transfer to your new school. Please let Tracy know where you are moving to and the name of the school your child will be attending, if known.

The window for *incoming* 7th grade course selection is now open and will close on March 19th at 4:00. If you have or know any future Bobcats, please keep this deadline in mind.



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ASB & GENERAL NEWS



ASB Events.

CVMS's March Madness Basketball tournament is coming next week 3/18-22/2024 at lunch.

Yearbook wants to thank you for your photos all year. We are now finished creating the book and it's off to print! We only have 40 remaining to sell - go to [Jostens.com](https://www.jostens.com) to buy yours today! We will not be able to order extras.

Lost and Found - please have your student check the lost and found prior to Spring break. There are many water bottles and other items in there. All items left will be discarded or donated on April 2nd.

Carmel Valley Library News - [click here](#) for their flyer.



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PTSA NEWS



The CVMS PTSA Membership Drive has started! By joining the CVMS PTSA, your dues support our school and students. PTSA members can vote on the PTSA budget and PTSA Board Officers. Memberships are \$25 per person. Joining the PTSA does not mean you are obligated to volunteer or make other commitments at our school. To sign up for a PTSA Membership visit: [PTSA Membership](#).

Shop to Support - In addition to our annual fundraiser that is coming up, there are other easy ways you can support CVMS every day. Shop these retailers and the CVMS PTSA receives donations when you make a purchase.

Ralphs Community Contribution Program – link your Ralphs card account and they will send a donation every time you swipe your card. [Click here](#) for instructions.

CVMS MUSIC BOOSTERS



The Carmel Valley Middle School band will perform the National Anthem at the SD Gulls game on Friday, March 22nd. The game starts at 7 - doors open at 6 p.m.

We look forward to seeing you at our upcoming Coffee Concerts - [Wednesday, March 20th](#) and [Thursday March 21st](#)

Volunteers: The CVMS Music Boosters are always looking for volunteers to assist in making instrumental music available to all CVMS students for years to come. If you are interested, please take a moment to complete this [volunteer form](#).

Please consider a tax deductible [donation](#) to our Music Department! Your generosity ensures a robust music program like no other for this year and beyond!



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RESOURCES AND LINKS

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REPEATED NEWS

Senator Catherine Blakespear invites you to learn more about the **Fentanyl Crisis** that is occurring in our communities a Town Hall she is hosting on Thursday, March 20, 6:00-7:30 PM at MiraCosta College, San Elijo Campus at 3333 Manchester Ave. in Cardiff by the Sea. Our best defense against this life-threatening drug is knowledge and prevention.

District Attorney Summer Stephan will be sharing information about efforts she and her colleagues at the county and in law enforcement are making to decrease the supply of this drug, hold dealers accountable and to educate young people about it. Our local Fire Chief, Josh Gordon will address the issue as first responders in our communities who come face-to-face with the consequences of this drug. Please [RSVP](#)

PE & Spiritwear: PE clothing & spiritwear items are still on sale at the Finance Window or through the CVMS webstore [link](#). New reversible sweatshirts in new colors are available.

Carmel Valley Library Information

Job Opportunity at CVMS: We have a job opportunity for a part-time Campus Supervisor at Carmel Valley Middle School. The hours are 11:06 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday-Friday.

Please visit the job posting for more information:
[Click here](#)



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Message from the Superintendent's Office

Good Afternoon SDUHSD Community,

As we begin the second half of the school year, I extend my sincere appreciation for your unwavering support and involvement in our educational community. I am pleased to share that the SDUHSD District Office modernization project has reached completion. Our district office, located at 710 Encinitas Boulevard, is now open for operations from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm.

At our board meeting this week, we received an annual update from Pacific Trails Middle School and an overview presentation of the SDUHSD student performance data as summarized on the California Dashboard. Overall, we have a lot to celebrate.

- Our students continue to have high levels of academic achievement.
- Our high schools have very high graduation rates, and our middle schools have seen a decline in chronic absenteeism.

As we move forward and use the Dashboard to inform our Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP), we are going to be paying close attention to specialized student groups.

Additional Board Meeting Highlights

Aquatics Facility at Torrey Pines: The Board stated its intent to build an aquatics facility at Torrey Pines High School and directed the Superintendent to collaborate with staff and the community to present details about how to fund and accomplish this project.

Governance Handbook: This is a document that is agreed upon by the Superintendent and all five members of the Board of Education which outlines how the team will work together.

Approval of this handbook, a first for SDUHSD, is a reflection of the governance team's commitment to working effectively in a way that best benefits all students.

As Superintendent, together with the Governing Board, we are united in providing a high-quality education for each and every student to demonstrate academic growth and optimize individual potential.

Additional information on all items from this week's Board agenda can be found on the district website or directly [here](#).

We appreciate your ongoing support of SDUHSD students and look forward to a successful second half of the school year together.

Sincerely,

Anne Staffieri, Ed.D.