



## Calendar of Events

### January

- 2/3 PTA Valograms for sale
- 2/5 PTA Board and Association Meeting at 8:15am in MS 225
- 2/5-2/14 Dine Out – Jersey Mike’s Subs grand opening in Porter Ranch
- 2/7 Family BINGO Night from 5:30pm to 8pm hosted by the PTA
- 2/21 School Tour for incoming grades TK-8 at 9:30am

## Principal Message

Greetings PRCS families. I hope you had a terrific January. February is Black History month and American Heart Month while also honoring our Presidents. If you were not able to attend our Coffee with the Principal please see the video online where the Executive Director over Pilot schools shared valuable information with our families. Please look at the email sent in Friday that shares a FAQ and a short video with important information about our 1:1 device take home initiative with the students. We are rolling it out in middle school but will soon move forward in elementary. Enjoy the week!

Go Coyotes!

Principal Saunders

### School Wide News:

#### **PTA News:**

Wednesday, February 5- combined PTA Board and Association Meeting in room 225

**Friday, February 7- Family Bingo Night** hosted by the PTA (Dinner will start at 5:30- games to start at 6). Olive Garden dinner will be complimentary courtesy of the PTA. Make sure to RSVP. Come and enjoy the evening with your family.



## GATE/SAS Parent Meetings

Time	Topic	Audience
5:15-6:15 p.m.	Overview of OLSAT-8 for Parents	2 <sup>nd</sup> grade parents only
6:15 – 7:30 p.m.	GATE/SAS Parent Workshop: Documentary <i>Screenagers Next Chapter: Uncovering Skills for Stress Resilience</i>	All GATE/SAS parents

For parents, the first session will provide general information about the OLSAT-8, an assessment for gifted identification in the High Achievement Ability Category. At the second session, the documentary *Screenagers Next Chapter: Uncovering Skills for Stress Resilience* will be screened. ([Click here for flyer.](#)) Parents may attend one of the optional meeting dates at any location. Pre-registration is not required.

For more information, refer to MEM 6112.6, *2019–2020 Gifted and Talented Education (GATE) Meetings and Professional Development Calendar*. Distribute Attachment C, *Spring2020 GATE/SAS Parent Meeting Calendar*, to all GATE/SAS families.

## OLSAT-8 Memorandum: Release Pending

MEM-5936.7, *2019-2020 OLSAT-8 Second-Grade Administration*, is pending final approval. Once released, a notification will be sent by Gifted/Talented Programs. Click this link, [Educators’ Corner](#) on the Gifted/Talented Programs website, to access the attachments of upcoming OLSAT-8 dates, including parent meetings. See below for the list of attachments:

- ATTACHMENT A: 2019-2020 OLSAT-8 Districtwide In-Service Training Schedule
- ATTACHMENT B (English and Spanish): Non-Participation OLSAT-8 Parent Letter (with parent meeting dates)
- ATTACHMENT C: OLSAT-8 Parent Meeting Schedule

## Reminder: GATE Coordinator Differential

It is the District’s position that the GATE coordinator is integral to ensuring identified gifted/talented learners receive requisite support and services at a school site. Therefore, District policy requires each principal to allocate funds to support a differential for the GATE coordinator. The differential must be reported twice annually, in January and June. Preschools, continuation schools, and centers (special education and primary) without a GATE program are exempt. Additionally, administrators or teachers who are already receiving another type of differential are ineligible for the GATE coordinator differential and should be compensated as appropriate.

As GATE program funding is now included in the Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF), **schools do not receive additional funds for a GATE coordinator differential. The differential must be allocated from existing school site funds.**

For additional information, refer to District reference guide REF-1802.16, *Time Reporting Instructions for Lump Sum Payment of Differentials*. Use Wage Type 1310 to properly allocate local funds toward a GATE coordinator differential. **Given that the differential must be funded from existing school site funds, schools must identify the budget item, commitment item, and class code for payment.**

Should you need guidance and support with the GATE coordinator differential, please contact your Local District Fiscal Specialist or Gifted/Talented Programs at (213) 241-6500.