



# ACHIEVEKIDS

## NEWSLETTER

MARCH 2022

### PARENTS, FAMILIES, AND CAREGIVERS,

Spring break is around the corner. As we prepare for the upcoming break and begin preparing for the next school year, I want to pass along some important information.

First, we'll be sending home testing kits for all of our students. These are self-administer kits and will be sent with instructions for use. We are asking each of our families to do their best in testing their students prior to our return to school on Monday, April 11th. In the same light, we are asking staff to come to campus early on the 11th, and we will be testing all staff members. Our goal is twofold. First, we want to prevent large scale outbreaks and quarantines similar to what happened upon our return in January, and second, we want to pilot this process, which will help inform our approach to returning from breaks in the future. We want to thank Silicon Valley Nonprofits and Parents Helping Parents for their partnership in helping us acquire testing kits for every family, and in the community effort to keep our campuses safe and stable.

Second, we have developed our 2022-2023 school calendar. You either will soon or have recently received a copy of this calendar. We want to note some adjustments and changes to the calendar.

- **First day of school is Monday, August 15th**
- **Winter break begins on Thursday December 22nd (which is a change from our typical format)**
- **Students return from winter break on Wednesday January 4th**
  - **Staff return on Tuesday January 3rd\***
- **Beginning with the 2022-2023 school year, we will be taking June 19th, Juneteenth off as a holiday.**

Our goal was to create a small buffer during the winter season for a more thoughtful approach to testing and returning to school in order to create more predictability and reduce risks of quarantine. Additionally, we wanted to add the Juneteenth holiday. In doing these two things, we added instructional days in December, helping us maintain the same total number of instructional days within our calendar.

As we prepare for our break, it is exciting to see our San Jose campus celebrating a spirit week, and our Palo Alto campus begin preparations to engage in a variety of Bay Area Special Olympic activities during the month of April. Additionally, we'll be hosting a get-together event on **Wednesday April 20th, 4pm to 6pm at the Mitchell Park Community Center** (right next door to our PA campus), where we'll be featuring student art work, and thanking our larger community for all the support they give us. We encourage you to attend, to see the student artwork, and to get to know some of our board members, members of our staff, and those in our community who support us.

Wishing everyone a happy and healthy spring.

Ryan C. Eisenberg, Ed.D.  
Executive Director

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OUR SUPPORTERS!**

**APRIL 20TH, 2022**

**MITCHELL PARK COMMUNITY CENTER, EL PALO ALTO ROOM  
4:00-6:00PM**

- **GET TO KNOW ACHIEVEKIDS**
- **BROWSE OUR ART SHOW BY ACHIEVEKIDS STUDENTS**
- **STATE OF ACHIEVEKIDS ADDRESS FROM OUR  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, RYAN EISENBERG**