

January 28, 2018

Dear Titan Parents and Guardians,

We hope you had a restful weekend; we're heading into a busy week of learning at SLMS. I wanted to take a moment to congratulate our **7A Girls' Basketball team** and their coach, Mrs. Hancock, for their showing in the FBISD Basketball Tournament this week. Thank you for representing our school! I would also like to give a hearty congratulations to our **Kickstart** students and their instructor, Mr. Celeste, for placing third this weekend at the Martial Arts Mania event. Bravo to these fine students!

Our flagpole has been repaired, which now allows us to fly our flags properly. Thank you for your understanding during the 2-3 week period that we were unable to display our flags.

At long last our **5:15 Tuesday/Thursday Tutorial Buses** will start this week! They start on Tuesday, January 30th. [Please view this article on our campus webpage](#) to get details. These buses are available for all students for all reasons except for athletics (because athletics' end time goes past 5:15).

At some point on Tuesday, your child's **progress report** will be viewable in **Skyward Family Access**. [Download and follow these instructions](#). We are no longer printing paper progress reports and report cards.

It is important that students arrive to class on time. To combat tardiness, we have instituted **hall sweeps**. Since late November through the week of January 15th, we only issued warnings to students (but still counted them tardy). Last week we began giving students one day of lunch detention in addition to counting them tardy. Starting this week, students caught in hall sweeps will receive two days of lunch detention in addition to being counted tardy. Additionally, students with habitual tardiness may receive additional consequences through their grade level assistant principal. Please help us ensure your child arrives on time to class each period.

Reminders for this week:

- 8th grade students zoned to **Kempner HS** should attend "**COOG Fest**" on **Wednesday, January 31st**, from 6:30 to 8:00 PM. [Download this flyer](#) for more information
- **Passport to your Future (CTE Exploration Night)** is **Thursday, February 1st**, at Dulles HS, from 5:00-7:00 PM. Please [visit Eventbrite.com](#) for more details
- **Career Day** is this **Friday, February 2nd**. 8th grade students will have a brief assembly on the morning of January 29th to go over expectations and logistics.
- **RC's Tex-Mex Kitchen** is sponsoring a **Spirit Night** for SLMS this **Friday, February 2nd**. They will donate 15% of sales to the school. Please share with family and friends, and let's pack the place! Thank you, RC's Kitchen, for your generosity! [Please see this flyer for more information](#)
- On **Saturday, February 10th**, please consider going over to Kempner HS to participate in the **FBISD "STEAM"-Fest** (**S**cience, **T**echnology, **E**ngineering, **A**rts, and **M**ath). [Download this flyer](#) for more information or [visit Eventbrite.com](#) for more details and to get free tickets. This event is open to children of all ages.
- On **Monday, February 12th**, the FBISD Board of Trustees is conducting another in its series of "**Listening Tours**." This time it will occur at Hodges Bend Middle School, and it will start at 5:00 PM. The Board of Trustees encourages all stakeholders to share their thoughts at these meetings.

Have a great week!

Keith Fickel, Principal