

September 9, 2018

Dear Titan Families,

Thank you for the wonderful outpouring of support through your turnout at our Open House this past week. It was an extremely positive evening, and it was encouraging to see so many parents in attendance. We encourage you to attend this week's Mid-Day Break with the Counselors on Wednesday at 11:15 AM, if you are available. During Open House, we showed a video regarding the district's 2018 Bond Election, and we understand there was some difficulty in view it in some classrooms. For your convenience, here is a [link to the 2018 Bond video presentation](#). Additionally, [this is a link to a document](#) that outlines potential improvements to SLMS as a result of the bond. It is the same document that we distributed at Open House.

### **Tuesday/Thursday 5:15 Tutorial Buses**

Starting Tuesday, September 11, 2018, we will once again provide transportation home on Tuesdays and Thursdays for students who attend after school club and organization meetings, tutorials, rehearsals, and more. The bus [drop-off locations and scheduled drop-off times are available on this page of our campus website](#)

### **Online Student Information Verification – Deadline is September 18**

The deadline is fast approaching to complete your child(ren)'s information verification online through Skyward Family Access. Please complete this process by September 18th, [using this webpage as a guide](#). Please help us minimize papers we have to send home, since this is something that needs to be completed by every family and for every child

### **Free/Reduced Meal Applications**

If you have participated in the Free/Reduced Meal program in the past, or if you wonder whether you qualify or not, please review the information on the [district's Free/Reduced Meal webpage](#). Application renewals, as well as original applications, are being taken now. There are so many benefits for children under this program!

### **SLMS Spirit Wear and PTO Memberships**

Our PTO is selling spirit wear! Please order at this website: [http://corrcolors.com/sugar\\_land\\_middle\\_school\\_pto/shop/home](http://corrcolors.com/sugar_land_middle_school_pto/shop/home). We encourage you to join PTO, as well. Please visit the PTO website at [www.slmspto.org](http://www.slmspto.org)

### **Gifted and Talented Parent Referrals**

The window is now open for parents to refer their children for GT testing. The window is open through September 28th. Please visit [www.fortbendisd.com/gifted](http://www.fortbendisd.com/gifted) for more info. This is a link to begin your [online referral](#) for your child. [This is a job aid](#) to help you navigate the referral process.

### **Campus Beautification Program Needs Your Donation**

Please consider donating to our Campus Beautification Fund to help underwrite student-led projects. You may write a check payable to the *SLMS Student Activity Fund*, with a notation in the memo section stating it is for the *Campus Beautification Program*, and it will be applied accordingly. Please also include your child's name and grade level, and we will issue you a receipt for your check, as well. You may turn this in at the front office.

### **Mark Your Calendar**

- September 12 – Mid-Day Break with the Counselors, 11:15 AM
- September 14 – Wear “Gold” in support of “Turn it Gold” week; benefitting pediatric cancer research

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