

March 31, 2019

Dear Titan Parents and Guardians,

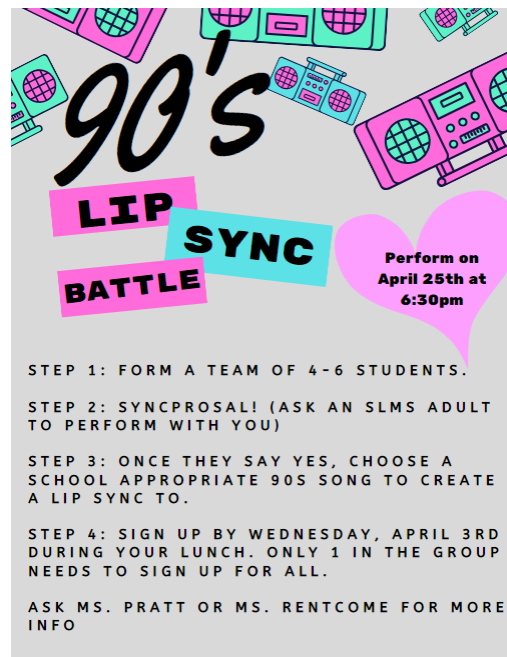
It is always my hope that our weekly parent message finds you and your family doing well. Thank you to the many parents who attended our recent Coffee with the Principal and the Mid-Day Break with the Counselors! Our orchestras performed well past week at UIL Concert and Sightreading Contest, earning Sweepstakes Awards, which are the highest awards that UIL bestows upon performing groups. We had several Art 3 students compete in Jr. VASE competition this weekend, earning 12 medals, and 23 of our Kickstart students competed in regional competition, as well. This upcoming week will see Soccer Tryouts, Progress Report 7 (PR7), along with opportunities for students to join in the Lip-Sync Battle (see below), and for families to help support SLMS through the PTO's Bite Night at Live Oak Grill on Monday, April 1. STAAR tests for eighth grade Math and Reading are coming up the following week, along with seventh grade Writing. You will receive specific information about those tests mid-week this week. Please take a moment to read the information below.

PTO Bite Night at Live Oak Grill Monday, April 1 – Please come out and support our school and the PTO by getting dinner at [Live Oak Grill on Monday, April 1](#).

This is a reminder that **SLMS has 100 laptops** in our **Laptop Lending Library**. After completing a few pieces of paperwork by parents, students may check out a laptop (including a Wi-Fi hotspot) for two weeks, just like a library book. To find out more and to complete the parent paperwork, visit [the SLMS Laptop Lending Library webpage](#).

Please **wear blue** on **Tuesday, April 2**, in support of **World Autism Awareness Day**. Fort Bend ISD is "Lighting it up blue" on April 2 to raise awareness and understanding for Autism, where children are "Different, Not Less". Find out more by reading this [parent newsletter](#) from the FBISD Student Health Advisory Committee (SHAC).

This year we are hosting a **Lip-Sync Battle!** Students heard about it all last week on our daily announcements. Please mark your calendar now for **Thursday, April 25**, which is the date of the Lip-Sync Battle! Students AND staff will battle it out to see who is the best!



High School Graduation / Semester Exam Conflicts - If you have a child or family member who is graduating from Kempner HS on Friday, May 24 at 1:00 PM, (or from another school) and your SLMS child will need arrangements to take semester exams early, [please complete this form by March 29](#). **UPDATE: We have extended the deadline to April 5.** We will review responses after the deadline, and contact families with plans for administering exams early.

Sincerely,

Keith Fickel, SLMS Principal