

December 21, 2023

LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Families,

We have two items that we could use your input on. The first is our LCAP. The second is the Youth Truth Survey coming out in January. This feedback helps us better serve our students and families.

Thanks to the PTO for sponsoring our Mr. Music Holiday Singalong this morning. It was great fun!

Remember, there is no school Friday 12/22 or Monday 1/8. I hope you have a fantastic winter break. Happy Holidays!

*Warm regards,
Patrick Eagle*

NEW PLAYGROUND UPDATE

The new playground was completed early this week, but due to all the rain, students were unable to use it until today. Temporarily dubbed the 'Fun Zone' for now, but we will be holding a playground naming contest when students return in January.

This morning we held a brief ribbon cutting ceremony ([click here for a brief video of it](#)) to document this historic event. Thanks to the Mark West School District for making this happen.

PTO UPDATE

Get ready for a dazzling night at San Miguel's Family Dance on 2/2/24 with our Glow Party theme! Although this event will be free to attend, space will be limited so there will be an RSVP system in place. TK - 6th graders are invited with 1-2 adult guardians. We're seeking connections and donations for a fantastic event, including a food truck, photo booth, decorations, and glow sticks/paint. Your support will make this night unforgettable! If you are interested in helping with this awesome event, please reach out to Nicole Humber, nicole@bravorestoration.com

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Girls basketball tryouts will be held the week of January 22nd with the games starting on February 12.

YOUTH TRUTH SURVEY - OPT OUT FORM

Attention parents of 3rd - 6th grade students, the Youth Truth survey will be sent out to all families in early January and San Miguel Staff will be taking it as well. Students will be taking it at school, unless you do not want your child(ren) to participate. [Click here](#) to fill out the form IF YOU DON'T WANT your child to take the survey. You can preview the questions by [clicking here](#). We had



excellent participation by families last year and we came away with data that told us what we were doing right, and where we could improve. I hope you will participate in January.

LCAP INPUT NEEDED FROM PARENTS

The Mark West School District needs input for the Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP).

The LCAP helps us set goals, plan actions and leverage resources. Some of you may have already answered the first 4 questions from previous newsletters. To answer the last 3 questions or to answer all 7, [Click here](#). You will be able to read the questions and then answer via scanning the QR code.

A 'NOTE' FROM THE MUSIC TEACHER

Please stay tuned for the 4th-6th graders' next performance at the annual District Winter Concert on Thursday, February 22, 2024. All district music students will perform at this event in the Mark West gym. Finally, the music program is supported by the Mark West Education Foundation. If any parents or community members are interested in doing more to support music education in the district, please consider joining us at our next board meeting in January (date TBA). We are also searching for new board members, including president and vice president. Please email Kara Kaufman at kkaufman@mwusd.org if you would like to learn more.

UPCOMING DATES

12/22/23 - 1/8/24 Winter Break
1/9/24 - School Resumes
1/15/24 - Martin Luther King Holiday
1/17/24 - KIN Dine and Donate
1/22/24 - Site Council Meeting 3:30 pm
1/22/24 - PTO General Meeting 6:00 pm



