

GATOR News
Sandra J. Gallardo Elementary
January 20, 2023



Gators, Happy Friday!

What's Happening in the Swamp!

Lost & Found If your child is missing personal items, please encourage him/her to check the Lost and Found in the Multi. Items left at the end of January will be donated. A friendly reminder to put your child's first and last name on ALL of the items they bring to school.

SAFETY REMINDERS!

- **Russi Road (Front of School)** Please be aware of students using the crosswalk to enter and exit the campus. Driving at a slow rate of speed is helpful to ensure the safety of our students.
- **Stewart Street (Near Kinder Area)** Please park in a designated space when dropping off/picking up your student(s). Stewart Street is an active lane of traffic and not an area to double park. This dangerous practice is putting our students at risk. Thank you!

Upcoming:

2023-2024 Registration Information – January 23

- Returning Students: Monday, January 23 ([packets go home](#))
- Incoming Kindergarten and New Students: January 23-February 3 ([packets available](#))

STEM Night – January 25

Come experience all aspects of STEM in a fun and interactive way. Hands on fun for the whole family! Visit PTA Membership Tool Kit for additional information.

Strengthening Families - February 1

In this ten-week program, the whole family has an opportunity to learn and practice various skills. The program is free and includes dinner, childcare, and materials. [To register, please contact Amanda Turkes, RN, FCUSD Health & Wellness Office, \(916\) 294-9013 or \[aturkes@fcusd.org\]\(mailto:aturkes@fcusd.org\)](#)

Coffee & Conversation with Mrs. Graham – February 7

Your opinion matters! Join the conversation and share your thoughts.

Skipolini's Spirit Night – February 9

Join us ALL DAY for pizza and more! Show [this flyer](#) or mention you are a "Gallardo Gator," and a portion of your purchase goes back to our school!

Cupid Shuffle Dance – February 10

Join the fun and dance the night away with family and friends!

PTA General Association Meeting – February 22

Meet in the multi to discuss budget and school updates. Join us to enter the drawing for lunch with Mrs. Graham for your student(s)! (We need 17 members present to vote)

SUPER MINIMUM DAY – February 24

- Grades 1st-5th – 8:15-11:38 am
- All Kinders – AM Schedule, 8:00-11:21 am

Joke of the Week

What is an alligator's favorite drink?
Answer: Gator-ade
Mrs. Foreman and her 1st grade class

Reminders:

- **2023-2024 Registration Information:**
 - o Returning Students: Monday, January 23 (packets go home)
 - o Incoming Kindergarten and New Students: January 23-February 3 (packets available)
- **Health Office Reminder:** If your student shows signs of illness, please keep him/her home and test for COVID-19 (and/or reach out to their healthcare provider for an alternative diagnosis, if needed). Submit a doctor's note for medically verified illnesses and continue to notify our office if your student tests positive for COVID-19.
- **Absences and Independent Studies:** As a reminder, please do your best to plan vacations during scheduled breaks. Additionally, all Independent Study requests require a ten-day notice (school days) prior to the student's leave of absence.
- **(PM) Kindergarteners on the AM schedule (8:00-11:21 am) - Mark your calendars for the following AM dates:**
February 9,10 - March 9,10 - April 20, 21 - May 11,12
- **Got Jokes?** Share your favorite joke with us to be shared in an upcoming newsletter. Send your jokes to: gallardopta@gmail.com

Share your photos from school events – Spirit Nights, Rock & Run, field trips, etc. [Full directions on the yearbook page](#). Log in to your TreeRing account and post your photos using the 'share button' on the main page.

- **Order Now! Gallardo's 2022-23 Yearbook** - Add two pages of pictures (printed in your child's yearbook) for free. Each additional (2) pages, just 99 cents. Visit treering.com (this link includes our school code). Upload your photos for the yearbook to TreeRing to be entered in a drawing for a free yearbook! [Directions Here](#).
- **Spirit Day Fridays!** Wear green or your favorite GATOR shirt!
- **Join Gallardo's PTA!** Visit: <https://gallardopta.membershiptoolkit.com/home>

- **Stay Connected!** Bookmark our website, www.fcusd.org/sge, follow us on our Sandra J. Gallardo PTA Facebook page and Membership Tool Kit.

Dates to Remember:

- Jan. 23 Registration packets go home (returning students)
- Jan. 25 STEM Night, Multi, 6:00 pm
- Feb. 1 Online registration opens
Strengthening Families
- Feb. 7 Coffee & Conversation with Mrs. Graham, Library, 8:30 am
- Feb. 8 School Site Council & ELAC Meeting, 3:00 pm
- Feb. 9 Spirit Night - Skipolini's (ALL DAY)
- Feb. 9, 10 PM Kinders on AM schedule, 8:00-11:21 am
- Feb. 10 Cupid Shuffle Dance, Multi, 6:00-8:00 pm
- Feb. 20, 21 President's Day Holiday (no school)
- Feb. 22 PTA General Meeting, Multi, 7:00 pm
- Feb. 24 Super Minimum Day, Grades 1-5 (8:15-11:38 am)
Kinder ALL Early (8:00-11:21 am)