

The Silvia Spotlight

From the Principal:

Dear Silvia Families,

We hope this week's Spotlight finds you well and in a groove relative to the 2020 - 2021 school year. This week we welcomed students back after a long three-day weekend. Even though we had a shorter week, students and staff continued to accomplish amazing tasks.

In this week's Spotlight, we are introducing a new section to support families with the field of education. There are so many terms, acronyms, practices, and processes related to education. We see parents and guardians as equal partners in their child(ren)'s education and we hope this will continue to build our already strong home-school two connections. We will call this section of The Spotlight, *Silvia Synonymizes*. To synonymize means to give or analyze the synonyms of a word or phrase. Please find this week's *Silvia Synonymizes* below.

We wish you all a wonderful weekend and as always, please do not hesitate to reach out with questions, concerns or feedback.

Sincerely,

Patrick Lenz



News from The Nurse

The single most important thing to do if your child has COVID-19 symptoms is to keep your child HOME. Some symptoms of COVID-19 are the same as the flu or a bad cold; please do not assume it is another condition. When in doubt, please keep your child home and contact their primary care provider for further guidance.

Please see more detailed "Parent Wellness Letters" [HERE](#). The letter can be found in English, Spanish and Portuguese.

In addition, there is a new flu immunization requirement for students in addition to existing vaccine requirements. ALL FRPS students (including remote students) are required to submit documentation to their school nurse that they have received a seasonal flu vaccine by December 31, 2020.

Please find a more detailed letter in reference to the flu vaccine and locations and dates for flu clinics [HERE](#). We have also emailed this information to families and will send home physical copies with cohorts A, C and D.

As always, thank you for your continued support in all these areas. Student, staff and family safety is our top priority.



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Silvia Synonymizes:

Intervention: Many times schools will try interventions with students who have more intensive academic or behavioral needs than the average student. The purpose of the interventions is to try to improve the child's academic performance or behavior without utilizing special education services. Many times a school will try interventions before suggesting that a student receive an evaluation for special education. For students who are already in the process of receiving an evaluation, it is best practice to keep interventions going during the evaluation process. To illustrate some examples, a child who is having trouble reading may work in a small group with a literacy teacher, using a research based reading program, in addition to receiving reading instruction from the regular classroom teacher. Students with behavioral needs may have an individualized behavior plan to try and improve their behavior in class.

Pajama Day At Silvia

On Wednesday, October 14th, we had our second *We Are All In This Together Wednesday* and celebrated by inviting staff and students to wear pajamas to school. Thank you to all who participated in this community building event. Wednesday, October 21st we will celebrate Wacky Hair or Hat Day.



Wednesday, October 14
#SilviaSpirit2020



Drop-Off Reminders:

- Please do not get to Silvia School until 7:30. We do not open doors until 7:40.
- If you are waiting in the drop-off line within the back parking lot, please pull to one side so staff entering the lot can drive by you and park.
- Please pull all the way up to the stop sign when dropping students in front of Silvia School.
- Please stay in the car and have students ready to exit.

We Are All In This Together Wednesdays:

Every Wednesday in October we will have Virtual Spirit Days. Please see the themes and schedule on page 3 of The Spotlight.

Upcoming Dates/Events:

- The week of October 19, 2020 is a Cohort D in person week and a Cohort C remote learning week.

-We will be holding a whole school **VIRTUAL Open House** on Wednesday, October 28, 2020. The Open House will begin for the whole school and then families will have time with their child(ren)'s teachers. The start of Open House will be 6:00 pm. Stay tuned for more specific information about how to connect virtually.



- November 3rd is **NO SCHOOL** for all students.

- November 11 is **NO SCHOOL** for all students and staff in honor of Veterans Day

- Please find our school calendar [HERE](#).

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We're all in this together - Wednesdays!
Silvia Virtual Spirit Days
October 2020



Show your Silvia Spirit each Wednesday by logging into your Google Meet dressed in theme!



Wednesday, October 7

Wellness Wednesday!

Let's work hard together and then get active.
Dress to represent your favorite team, sport or wellness activity!

Wednesday, October 14

Pajama Day

Log in to your class in your favorite comfy clothes today!

Wednesday, October 21

Wacky Hair or Hat Day

Show off your wackiest hair or favorite hat!

Wednesday, October 28:

Costume Day!

Today is your day to dress to impress! Dress as a character of your choice or create your own costume. Please make sure it's school appropriate and mask free during your Google meet.

Let's spread positivity and stay connected during virtual learning days!

Share pictures of your school spirit each Wednesday on our
twitter page @frps_Silvia or by emailing

Mrs. Michel @ kmichel@fallriverschools.org &

Mr. Arruda @ jamesarruda@fallriverschools.org

Use the hashtag #SilviaSpirit2020

Please include your child's name and classroom teacher.

Pictures emailed may be posted on twitter, school website and/or our virtual assemblies.

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