

Dear Terra Linda Parents and Guardians:

Below are some exciting updates as we approach Winter Break.

Board Seeks Input in Next Superintendent; Public Survey Now Available:

The SRCS Board has begun the process to find a highly-qualified candidate to serve as our next leader ([Learn more](#)). You're invited to share your feedback on the characteristics and qualities the Board should seek in a new superintendent. Please complete the survey by Dec. 23, 2022. This survey is one of the ways the Board is gathering input from our community. [English Survey](#) [Spanish Survey](#)

Parking Lot Updates - Student Drop-off Zone:

After winter break, signage will be in place with directions about dropping off and picking up students. The new student drop off and pick-up is pictured below and is in front of the Competition Gym.



Parent and Student Entrance



Parent and Student Exit

The picture below shows the entrance and exit for the District and TL Staff Parking Lot. Beginning in January this area can no longer be accessed by parents and students for pick-up and drop off. Signage will be updated.



Staff Entrance & Exit (*arrows to be updated*)

College of Marin will offer Film 109A on Wednesdays at TL from 3:30-7 pm:

January 25-May 17th. This four-unit seminar explores narrative film as art, business, communication system, technological wonder, and the connection and interplay of cinema, culture and society from the beginning of modern cinema in the 1880s to World War II. Contact Ms. Morales cmorales@srcs.org in the CCC before Winter Break concludes to register.

Sportsmanship and Fan Attendance:

We want to ensure that our students and fans represent our school positively when attending sporting events. Please review the following MCAL sportsmanship guidelines. Terra Linda High School fans who violate the MCAL Sports Guidelines will be ejected from the sporting event. Administration, school security, and staff may eject any student or fan at Terra Linda High Schools' sporting events. If a student is ejected they must immediately leave the sporting event and exit school grounds. In addition, any student who is ejected will not be able to attend the next home game for the sport. If a student is ejected twice in any season, they may no longer attend sporting events for the remainder of the year.

PLEASE	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Encourage YOUR team by positively cheering for them.● Sit in the area designated for your school.● Welcome the visiting team and officials with good sportsmanship and respect.● Never interfere with officials, a team warming up, or playing a game.● Stay off the court/field at ALL times including half-time of any contest.	
SHOW GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP BY REFRAINING FROM:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Cheers based at harassing the other school● Yells directed toward a cheerleader or player on the opposing team● Derogatory chants based on ability, age, ethnicity, gender, race, religion, sexual orientation, or socio-economic status● Profanity	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Yells directed toward the opposing school● Yells directed toward the official(s) or booing a call by the official● Harassing the other team's players● Offensive signs● Responding to the other school's inappropriate cheers● Sitting in the opponent's cheering section

SAT and ACT Testing:

San Rafael City Schools is offering both the SAT and ACT. Test dates for the remainder of the year are listed below:

- 2nd semester the **ACT** will be offered at TL on the following dates: April 15, June 10, July 15
- 2nd semester the **SAT** will be offered at SR on the following dates: March 11, May 6, June 3

Over the course of the past two years, many colleges and universities have become test optional and may not even consider test scores if submitted. On the other hand, some colleges and universities take test scores into consideration or require them for certain majors. It is important that students and families check with each prospective college to confirm its testing requirements. Students who plan to apply to colleges/universities outside of the UC and CSU systems are advised to take the PSAT in October of 11th grade (and 10th grade if desired) for practice, and to take the SAT and/or ACT. Please reach out to CCC staff or your Counselor if you would like to discuss this in further detail. Students who are planning to attend community college after high school are not required to complete the ACT or SAT. Placement in community college courses is typically based on performance in senior year classes.

[University of California test policy](#) [California State University test policy](#)

Parent Institute for Quality Education (PIQE):

The Parent Institute for Quality Education (PIQE) will begin at TL on Thursday, January 19th from 6:30-8:00pm. Sessions will be held virtually and a link will be provided when we return from Winter Break. Interested in attending? Please email Assistant Principal, Lauren Inman (linman@srcs.org). Curriculum within these workshops include:

- Understanding The High School System
- Identifying The Classes That Form Part Of The "4 Year Plan"
- Recognizing The Importance Of Grades (GPA)
- Reviewing Other Important Requirements and Programs
- Discussing Higher Education Options
- Identifying The Different Financial Aid Options

COVID Testing:

COVID Tests will be distributed by 3rd period teachers prior to Winter Break. It is recommended that students take a COVID test on Tuesday, January 3rd prior to their return to school on the 4th and then test again on Friday, January 6th.

Now that we are in flu season and continue managing covid cases, we are well prepared for supporting our students despite absences. A reminder that to assist absent students in staying current, [CANVAS](#) modules with assignments should be updated by teachers weekly. Students who are absent should first go to Canvas to see what they missed and then contact the teacher if they have questions. Should a teacher's CANVAS page not be current, please contact them directly or Assistant Principal, Lauren Inman at linman@srcs.org.

Spring Semester begins Wednesday, January 4th:

Monday, Jan. 2nd	Tuesday, Jan. 3rd	Wednesday, Jan. 4th	Thursday, Jan. 5th	Friday, Jan. 6th
Holiday - No School	Teacher Work Day - No school for Students	Traditional Monday Schedule Spring Semester Begins	A Day Schedule	B Day Schedule

Thank you for your partnership and please email me at kdunlap@srcs.org if you have any questions. Happy Holidays!

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