**2.13.2022**

**Greetings Sherman Families and Community:**

**THANK YOU, VOTERS!**  
From our school and the entire school district, thank you voters, for your support in the Feb. 8 election.  Both propositions 1 and 2 are passing with more than a 66% “yes” vote, and we owe it to you.  THANK YOU!

**CLIMATE SURVEY FOR FAMILIES:**  
Every two years, Tacoma Public Schools conducts a comprehensive climate survey. In addition to student and staff surveys, we also gather important input from our parents and guardians. The 2022 family climate survey is open until Feb. 23 and available in multiple languages. All families are encouraged to share their voice. The results of the survey are confidential.  SHERMAN would love your feedback.  Please take the survey here: [https://tps-family-2022.questionpro.com/?CID=312228](http://track.spe.schoolmessenger.com/f/a/fE6KajJo2GwuC0mPlQj7AQ~~/AAAAAQA~/RgRj6rsjP0QzaHR0cHM6Ly90cHMtZmFtaWx5LTIwMjIucXVlc3Rpb25wcm8uY29tLz9DSUQ9MzEyMjI4VwdzY2hvb2xtQgpiBaOHCWIsPjwaUhhzcGFza2V0QHRhY29tYS5rMTIud2EudXNYBAAAAAE~)

**PTSA UPDATES:**

**Makerspace:** Did you know that the Sherman PTSA funds our makerspace coordinator, Julie Ross and the majority of makerspace supplies?  This is an invaluable resource to Sherman’s STEAM and PBL focus.  SUPPORT our PTSA by joining and participating in the items below!  Shermanptsa.com

**Spiritwear Sale:**Our PTSA has another spirit wear sale happening now through February 22nd.  Go to shermanptsa.com and click on “Tiger Wear”. A few new styles have been added!

**Round Table Pizza Takeover:** Our Sherman PTSA will be holding another Roundtable Pizza Takeover! Mark your Calendars for Wednesday, March 2nd!

**Art Walk:** March 23rd and 24th.  Items will be available to purchase via auction March 25th – 27th.  Full details coming soon.

**BEYOND THE BELL:**

Registration for beyond the bell begins is open and session 4 will be March 7 – April 21st from 3:30 to 5:30 Monday through Thursday.  Register via the Family App

Programs offered at Sherman are:

Brickz 4 Kids – grades K-5 on Monday and Wednesday

Flag Football – grades k-1 on Monday and Wednesday

If you’d like to coach a flag football group for an age group not currently represented, please reach as soon as possible out to Jessica Smiley from Metro Parks at [jessica.smiley@tacomaparks.com](mailto:jessica.smiley@tacomaparks.com) 253-441-1610 or Branden Arends [branden.arends@tacomaparks.com](mailto:branden.arends@tacomaparks.com) 206-450-3098

**VACCINATION SURVEY:**  
Data show that children 5-11 years old have the lowest vaccination rates of all age groups that are eligible to receive the COVID-19 vaccine.

Tacoma Public Schools would like to know whether parents and guardians are interested in having their child vaccinated at school, during the school day to more easily access to the vaccine.  Please complete the survey to indicate your interest.   
[https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=iLOhd89aK0m\_QmTLsIfQTJiPxX5\_cYVCjESawrIsW5xUNVlFNDA2QkpPM05aOVBZUVdLM0Q4WTUyWCQlQCN0PWcu](http://track.spe.schoolmessenger.com/f/a/4K5xAG1Obitg7qZQt1RM8A~~/AAAAAQA~/RgRj6rsjP0SMaHR0cHM6Ly9mb3Jtcy5vZmZpY2UuY29tL1BhZ2VzL1Jlc3BvbnNlUGFnZS5hc3B4P2lkPWlMT2hkODlhSzBtX1FtVExzSWZRVEppUHhYNV9jWVZDakVTYXdySXNXNXhVTlZsRk5EQTJRa3BQTTA1YU9WQlpVVmRMTTBRNFdUVXlXQ1FsUUNOMFBXY3VXB3NjaG9vbG1CCmIFo4cJYiw-PBpSGHNwYXNrZXRAdGFjb21hLmsxMi53YS51c1gEAAAAAQ~~)

**VALENTINES DAY:** As we approach Valentine’s Day, to maximize our learning time and focus on STEAM/PBL in the classroom, we find the need to update our traditional classroom celebrations. We respectfully ask that Valentine’s cards / items to be exchanged outside of the school day.  We continue to work hard to build relationships with students and focus on supporting student friendships.  Many classrooms will be focusing on friendships this day/week. We’re excited to introduce some new ways to celebrate STEAM/PBL in the classroom and schoolwide. Thank you for your understanding.

Have a great week!

Sincerely,

Christian Jordan

Principal

Sherman STEAM Elementary