

# **FORCE Parent Notes**

January 22, 2021

## 21-22 Lottery Still Open

You can still apply for the next school year lottery by visiting <a href="https://www.yesprep.schoolmint.net">www.yesprep.schoolmint.net</a>. If you need assistance applying for the lottery you can contact the front office for assistance at 713-967-9800.

# **Virtual Family Tours**

Interested in knowing more about your favorite YES campus? You are invited to join us for Virtual Family Tours. During the tour, families can meet campus staff, learn about campus building, get acquainted with campus culture and more!

To attend a virtual tour, **please RSVP for your preferred date by the day prior at 9AM.** Interested in visiting more than one campus? Be sure to submit one form per desired tour.

For more information on how to apply for our lottery, please visit: https://www.yesprep.org/families/enrollment-lottery/family-tours

## Family Tour Dates & Times:

- January 29, 2021 @ 5:00 PM
- February 4, 2021 @ 9:00 AM
- February 25, 2021 @ 5:00 PM
- March 11, 2021 @ 9:00 AM
- March 25, 2021 @ 5:00 PM

# **FORCE Updates**

### **New Family Portal Communication Platform**

YES Prep provides different tools to help you stay connected to how your child is performing at school. Staying connected will allow you to see if your child is on track or needs additional support in their education.

The YES Prep Family Portal is a user-friendly way for families to view important information -attendance, grades, missing assignments, etc.- and understand their child's progress. Even better, you can now download the Family Portal as a mobile app for iOS or Android. Watch a short video (English o español) at <a href="https://www.yesprep.org/families/dashboards">https://www.yesprep.org/families/dashboards</a> to learn more about the app. We will officially launch this communication platform beginning with Quarter 3, which starts January 19<sup>th</sup>.



#### **Force Athletics**

This week the boys' and girls' soccer teams went undefeated. Picking up the first wins against YP Win. This coming week we will have games on Thursday. No fans are allowed at this moment. Protocols are still in full effect.

#### **Child Nutrition**

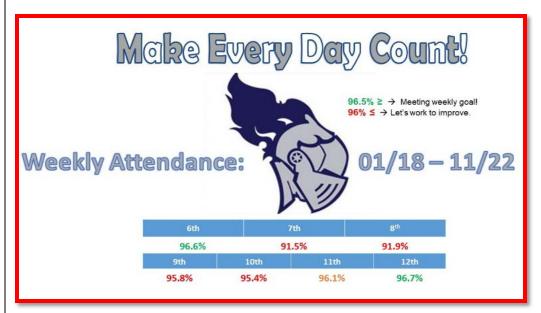
Meal delivery for all YP remote student learners start February 1<sup>st</sup>! 7 breakfast & lunch meals weekly, by delivery, directly to their homes! Families must fill out the Opt Out Delivery Meal Link to stop deliveries.

## Message from your School Counselors: Connecting emotionally with your child

Distance Learning can be stressful for both students and parents, especially if life also suddenly changed at home, or loved one's became sick etc. How long it takes to adjust and feel less stressed is different for everyone. Good students across the nation are struggling to pass their classes, and our students are no different. Parents often want to know how to help their child. The answer is not simple, takes time and a combination of strategies that won't work 100% of the time.

The most important strategy is to ensure that your child feels unconditionally safe, loved and supported. Feeling this at home, will allow them to better focus when at school. Often students share with me that they KNOW their parents love them, but don't feel it. Sometimes, it's a result of the parent and child misunderstanding each other's different love languages. Knowing how your child prefers to give and receive love will enable you to more intentionally create positive feelings when your child is not feeling like their usual self. Learn about 5 Love Languages and which one's your child (or spouse) prefers via the You tube links. Have fun trying them out!

- 1. <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hWW47FYFCZc">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hWW47FYFCZc</a>
- 2. <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0\_E\_EdwpAOg">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0\_E\_EdwpAOg</a>



## Attendance Matters!!!!

FORCE Parents as you see we are still not meeting our ADA Goal of 96.5% of all grade levels showing up to class on time. We need your help encouraging your students to join online right at 8:30AM EVERY single day. We have a high number of students who are not logging in to their 1st period classes on time. If your child is having a hard time accessing their class, please have them message their teachers directly so that they send them the direct link to their class. Shout out to our 6th and 12th the ONLY grades level that met our campus ADA goal this week. We thank you for your help!



#### **Fire Drill Monday**

FORCE families just a friendly reminder that we will have a fire drill on Monday, January 25<sup>th</sup>. These are mandatory drills that are conducted in order to ensure that students and staff know was to do in case of an emergency. Please remind your students to follow all safety instructions during the drill.

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Mon 1/25	Tues 1/26	Wed 1/27	Thurs 1/28	Fri 1/29
FYI: Fire Drill on Campus  Meal Distribution 11-2pm				Report Cards are posted in Skyward!
				Virtual Family Tour @5pm
Mon 2/1	Tues 2/2	Wed 2/3	Thurs 2/4	Fri 2/5
Meal Delivery for REMOTE Student Learners Starts!			Virtual Family Tour @9am	
Meal Distribution 11-2pm				

Dates to Remember: February 15- No School- Presidents' Day DON'T FORGET TO FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA!!!!

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