

Good evening President Blough, Clerk of the Board Daniels, Trustees, Dr. Peplinski, and district staff,

On Saturday, February 27, the Simi Educators Association will be partnering with the Simi Valley Library for our annual Read Across America event that celebrates the joy of reading, in conjunction with Dr. Seuss' birthday. SEA established this annual celebration when Rob Collins was the president of SEA.

Next door at the library from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., there will be student performances of skits, songs and readings. In addition, there will be local dignitaries that will read, including some of our School Board Members, police officers and city council members. Also, there will be various arts & craft stations, a grill food truck on hand, and many Cat 'n the Hat - stovepipe hat giveaways.

Next week, SEA will be sending home a flyer to every k-6 student, inviting all students and their families to this event. It is a great success each year with many children and families attending. I hope that you will be able to join Simi Educators and the community to celebrate the joy of reading.

Tonight Simi Valley educators are excited to hear the information that will be presented about the implementation of one to one Chromebooks to teachers who volunteer to be trained during the summer. We are pleased that the district is moving forward with the roll out beginning with teacher volunteers in the first year, and that multiple trainings will be offered to teachers to support this endeavor.

Also, based on the Technology presentation made at the last board meeting, we appreciate that the District Technology Committee will reconvene to discuss the vision for Simi Valley Schools and the implementation of future goals. It is important for educators to participate in the formation of the district vision based on student educational needs and educator expertise. We look forward to being part of this process.

Thank you.