

SEA WAVES

Negotiations and Furlough Days Returned!

The 3 furlough days scheduled for second semester have been returned and there will NOT be any deductions in your monthly pay this school year. Also, the district has a balanced budget for 3 years without furlough days in future years. The scheduled furlough days (February 13, March 27 and May 22) are now instructional days for students and work days for employees.

This year begins a full contract negotiations between SEA and the District. All articles of the contract are open for discussion by both sides. The first bargaining survey will be sent soon using personal email addresses collected by SEA through your site SEA Reps.

This initial survey is short and is meant to begin the discussion with members about your priorities for the next contract. Also, the first survey will help us flag email problems for those who may not receive the survey. We have had some problems with Survey Monkey in the past, but we hope those issues have been corrected. You will receive notice next week indicating when the survey goes live.

Job Share Meeting

If you are seeking a job share partner for the 2015-2016 school year, please attend a networking meeting at the SEA office on Thursday, May 22, 3:30 pm. If you cannot attend, please call or email SEA and we will maintain a list of job share hopefuls. Send us your name, school, current grade level, email address and phone number.

Health Benefits Transition to ASCIP

If you did not receive your new health card issued by Anthem Blue Cross last December (Kaiser members will not receive new cards), please call or email Carla Dickson at carla.dickson@simivalleyusd.org. Carla can also address questions or concerns you may have encountered regarding the transition to ASCIP.

Read Across America

Read Across America will again be hosted by SEA at the Simi Valley Public Library, February 28, 2015, from 10 to 1 pm. The library is partnering with SEA this year to make this a bigger event for the children in Simi Valley. We are looking for teachers to be readers and also for student participation in skits or other activities. Contact SEA if you would like to participate. See the flyer on the back of this newsletter for more information.