



Leitch Elementary



James Leitch Elementary School is a safe, nurturing, and motivating learning environment where student, parents, and teachers form a community of life-long learners who will demonstrate a love for learning, strong self-esteem, and good citizenship.

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Mrs. Tammy Pachote, Principal
Sheri Mejia, Attendance Clerk

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March 24, 2023

Principal's Message

Hello Leitch Families and Friends,

I want to wish everyone a great Spring Break! Make sure you get plenty of rest, plan family activities and have fun.

Open house is finally back and I am beyond thrilled. I hope everyone can stop by their classrooms and take a look! The book fair will also be open. The book fair line gets pretty long on Open House night, if you can I encourage you to visit before or after school on other days as well!

April is also Autism acceptance month. We will take time to educate our students that we all have differences and we need to celebrate them. Be sure to show support by wearing blue on April 3rd.

On March 31st at 8:20a.m all parents/guardians are encouraged to attend a meeting in the MUR. This meeting will be to give your input for the selection of the new principal next year. This meeting will be ran by a FUSD Human Resource employee.

Sincerely,
Tammy Pachote
Principal



Mark your calendar for upcoming events:

Every Wednesday is a minimum day for 1st & 2nd grade

Mar 31	8:20 Parent Meeting MUR
Apr 3	Autism Acceptance Wear Blue
Apr 4	Minimum Day 1 st and 2 nd 1:15 Open House 4:30-7:30 Book Fair 5:30-6:30 Classroom Visits
Apr 6	Minimum Day 1 st and 2 nd 1:15
Apr 7-14	No School – Spring Break
Apr 18	3:00 Safety Meeting MUR 5:30 PTA Meeting Zoom Link

Open House



Please join us for our annual Open House on April 4th. The book fair will be open from 4:30-7:30. Classroom visits will take place from 5:30-6:30. Come see how hard your children have worked this year. We hope to see you there! Open House is a time for your student to

show off their work and things in the classroom. This is not a time to conference with the teacher. Teachers will also be there to help celebrate the students and enjoy watching the children show their parents around the room. All students must be accompanied by an adult at all times. We hope to see you there!

Library News from Mr. Ronald

Hello Leitch Families and Friends!

The BOOK FAIR is almost here!!! I hope you all are just as excited as I am.

Here's some last minute reminders:

- The Book Fair runs from March 30th to April 5th. We are open 8:00am-8:30am and 2:30pm-3:30pm daily (1:15pm-2:15pm on minimum days). Online shopping starts March 29th and ends April 11th.
- It is *strongly recommended* to create an eWallet for your student/s to use during the Book Fair. Not only do eWallets provide a smoother and more efficient transaction process, but you can also feel more secure not having your student carry money with them to school.
- Use the link below to sign up to volunteer, create an eWallet, and shop the book fair online: [Official Book Fair Website](#)

Please feel free to contact Mr. Ronald (rcamposanto@fusdk12.net) with your questions.

Happy Reading!
Mr. Ronald

COVID Testing

Recommendations have changed of when you should test for COVID. Please see this [link](#) for more information. We will be having a mass COVID test distribution for the spring break like we have done for other holidays this year.

Yearbook

If you would like to order a yearbook please order it through Shoob Photo's website. Please use this [link](#) and click on the right hand side "Purchase Portraits & Yearbooks," select "James Leitch Elementary" and insert your email address then click "Order Yearbooks" and follow the prompts. Sales will continue through April.

Leitch Teacher of the Year

Congratulations to our teacher of the year Mrs. Lauren Smith. Mrs. Smith is one of our remarkable 2nd grade teachers and our students are lucky to have her. Her classroom is filled with engagement, fun, love, humor and learning. She is more than deserving of this award. Congratulations Mrs. Smith.

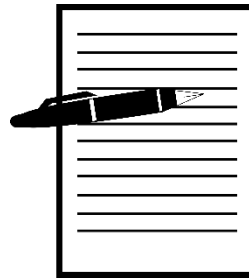
Lost and Found

Please be sure to check the Lost and Found if you are missing any items! Any unclaimed items will be donated on April 6th at 4:00pm.

Talent Show

Does your 1st or 2nd grader have talent? Our Leitch talent show is coming soon! [More information here.](#)

Placement Requests



The placement of students in each class for next year is decided by the administration and the faculty and is a complex process with many variables that must be considered. **We will not accept requests for specific teachers.** If you would like to give input regarding your child's educational needs please submit a brief note to the front office. Parents must understand that only the educational needs of the student will be considered. Notes must be submitted by May 1, 2023. Any requests received after this date will not be considered for the 2023/2024 school year.

In regards to transitional kindergarten requests for AM or PM sessions we will only accept requests that have to do with severe hardships. Mrs. Pachote **WILL NOT** take any requests that are related to work or child care as that is a common challenge for most families. If you do have a rare severe hardship or emergency you may submit a brief note to the front office by May 1, 2023. **If you are one of the few families that prefer PM please be sure to submit a note to the office so we can free up as many AM spots as possible.** Thank you for your understanding.