

# Spanish Immersion School . . .



a supportive community focused on working together to ensure our students' academic, social, and emotional growth to achieve the Spring Lake Park Essential Learning Outcomes.

## From the desk of the principal ... Mr. Larson

### Fluency Assessments

All of our students in grade K - 2 are being assessed in the area of reading fluency in the first few weeks of school through a DIBELS assessment.

What are DIBELS? The DIBELS assessment measures reading fluency, letter sounds, and blending words. We utilize this assessment as a quick check to determine if a child is struggling or at risk in the area of reading.

Reading fluency is a predictor of how well a student is reading. If a student is struggling in this area we will work with the child to target the specific area that he or she is struggling with.

### IMPORTANT—Please let us know...

If your child typically rides a bus home from school but instead you will be picking them up from school be sure to notify us by calling the office or sending a note with your child. If we do not have a notice to the change in transportation for the day your child will be placed on the bus to go home.

**Free and Reduced Lunch Applications**  
Applications for free and reduced lunches are due on Oct. 1. Each year parents/guardians need to re-apply for this status. If you have not completed one for this year you or your child can stop in the office to pick up a form.

## PTO Corner

**PTO Meeting Thursday, September, 15  
6: 30—Media Center**

We will be holding our Fall Fundraiser on September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2011. This year we will be holding a pledge event, with three different activities for the kids to participate in, similar to a Triathlon. 100% of the profits go to support your child at Westwood – field trip busses, planners, community events, art, music, art masterpiece, PE supplies and more. We hope that each child can raise at least \$25 so that we can achieve our total goal of \$20k.

Prizes will be awarded to students, classrooms, and teams.

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### Upcoming Events for Sept. & Oct.

- Sept. 26- Spanish Immersion Curriculum Night 6:30pm
- Sept. 29- Fall Picture Day
- Sept. 20- Homecoming
- Oct. 1- Panther Foundation Fun Walk/Run (HS)
- Oct. 6- PTO Meeting 6:30pm
- Oct. 13- Early Release Day- 1:15pm
- Oct. 14- No School
- Oct. 19-21- No School



### Conferences- October 17, 18, 19

Conference preference times are in your Wednesday folder. Please return the form by next Friday, September, 23. The conference form with your date and time will sent home with students on October 5th.

This fall Jessica Fu initially accepted a position in Spring Lake Park Schools Lighthouse program. This transition would have been possible with the hiring of Senorita Kennedy. Unfortunately, Senora Andrade resigned for family reasons and professional reasons. Despite the timing of the resignation we both agreed that this was a good decision for her and her family. After completing a search I was not able to find a suitable replacement that was up to the standard we need in our teachers in Spring Lake Park. Because of this Jessica was reassigned to the Immersion program and the Lighthouse position was filled by another qualified candidate. I want to reassure the parents that Jessica is a great teacher and committed to the success of the kids in the Immersion program. If and when another position would open up in the Lighthouse program we would try to find a replacement for her—however, we would need to find a person that met the standard we need for the program. We can not compromise one program for another. We would also work on a transition plan if this happened during the school year. Senora Fu will be with us for the year in second grade and we are happy to be working with her and have her working with our students this year.

**OCTOBER 1**  
**SPRING LAKE PARK HIGH SCHOOL**  
 1100 81st Avenue NE, Spring Lake Park MN 55432

**CHECK-IN: 1:00pm**  
**WALK/RUN START: 2:00pm**

**FEES:**  
 Walk/Run Participant:  
 including Event T-Shirt &  
 Family Fun Event Admission  
 \$15 - Adult  
 \$10 - Youth  
 \$50 - Family

Family Fun Event Admission Only  
 \$5 or \$20 for Family



**SPONSORED BY:**



**Family Fun Event 1:00-5:00PM**  
 Food, Giant Inflatable Bouncers, Children's Activities, and entertainment by  
 DJ Dean Downs and Spring Lake Park High School student Bands!

**REGISTER ONLINE** at [www.PantherFoundation.org](http://www.PantherFoundation.org)  
 or mail in the form below.

**Questions?**

Contact us at 763-795-5155 or email [pantherfoundation@district16.org](mailto:pantherfoundation@district16.org)



**OFFICIAL MAIL-IN REGISTRATION FORM**

Complete this registration form along with your check (made out to: Panther Foundation and mail to: 1415 - 81st Avenue NE, Spring Lake Park, MN 55432)

YOUR NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ SEX:  M  F YOUR ADULT T-SHIRT SIZE (circle one)

S M L XL XXL

SCHOOL (circle all that apply) HS MS WWI NP WC PT EC LAC

**FAMILY/GROUP**

NAME: _____	ADULT T-SHIRT SIZE (circle one)
NAME: _____	S M L XL XXL
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Knowingly and at my own risk I do hereby apply to enter an athletic contest. I hereby agree that I release and discharge the Spring Lake Park School District and other parties associated with the Panther Foundation Family Fun Walk & Run from all claims, demands, injuries, damages, actions or causes of action from all activities of active or passive negligence on the part of such corporation, organization, clubs, their servants, agents or employees, and hereby assume all the risks associated with my participation in the event. Further, I hereby grant full permission to any and all of the foregoing to use my name, likeness and voice, as well as any photographs, videotape, motion pictures, recordings and any other record of this event in which I may appear for any legitimate purpose including broadcast of the event, the reuse in any media of this broadcast and in advertising and promotion.

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

CO-SIGNATURE  
 (GUARDIAN IF UNDER 18)