



# Cherrywood Elementary School

Learning for a Lifetime

A Glenn Hoffman Award School

A California Distinguished School

Bay Area Best of the Best Gold Award 2020, 2021, & 2022

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[cherrywood.berryessa.k12.ca.us](http://cherrywood.berryessa.k12.ca.us)

## CURRENT CHARGER EVENTS

3/3/23

**SILICON VALLEY MOBILE PACK**  
**@ 7-9 PM @ BRIDGES**

3/4/23

**SILICON VALLEY MOBILE PACK**  
**@ 4-6 PM @ BRIDGES**

3/3-10/23

**PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCE**  
**MINIMUM DAYS**

3/8/23

**MIPAC MEETING @5PM**  
Meeting ID: 883 0680 8139  
Passcode: MIPAC23

3/12/23

**DAYLIGHTS SAVING TIME**

3/16/23

**MATH KANGAROO COMPETITION**  
**PRINCIPAL'S COFFEE 8:30AM**  
**IN PERSON @ FIS**

3/17/23

**ALMA BONITA ANIMAL ASSEMBLY**  
**Grades K-2 @10:15am - 10:50am**  
**Grades 3-5 @10:55am - 11:40am**

3/21/23

**SSC/HSC BOARD MEETING @ 5PM**  
Meeting ID: 847 6478 5823  
Passcode: SSCHSC23

3/30/23

**ANCCS COMPETITION**  
**@ MORRILL MS**

3/30/23

**DINING FOR DOLLARS**  
**AT MOUNTAIN MIKE'S**

## FLAG SALUTERS

Makenzie K.

## RECLASSIFIED FLUENT ENGLISH PROFICIENT RECOGNITION

Renee C., Asher C., Emma C., Daren F., Arthur K., Nathan L., Jerry P., Xiyuan P., Vinnie T., Elsa W., Allison W., Aiden X., Hannah X., Dean Z., Rushan Z., Aaron Z., Aiden Z.

## FREE COVID-19 HOME TEST KITS

Pick up at the front office and upload your results to My Primary Health:



**COVID-19 Community Testing** is available at the District Office Mondays – Thursdays from 7am-3pm and at Morrill BYC Wednesdays and Fridays from 7am-3pm.

## OTHER RESOURCES FOR YOU

- [BUSD 2023-2024 Enrollment Online Portal](#)
- [BUSD Is Hiring!](#)
- [Kids Club Registration 2023](#)
- [Right At School](#)
- [SJPL Student Library Card](#)
- [FREE SJPL Hotspots For School](#)

## QUICK LINKS

[Cherrywood HSC](#)  
[When to keep ill students home](#)  
[COVID-19 Guidelines](#)  
[2022-2023 School Year Calendar](#)  
[2022-2023 Bell Schedule](#)  
[Common Dress Policy](#)  
[Volunteer Application Form](#)  
[Student Nutrition Services](#)  
[Cherrywood Library](#)  
[Classroom Wish Lists](#)

## DISTRICT HOTLINE

If you need additional assistance to understand a document that was sent home, please call the District Office.

(408) 923-1901 (Chinese)

(408) 923-1902 (Spanish)

(408) 923-1903 (Vietnamese)

\*A translator will contact you to help you understand the document.

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Cherrywood Parents and Students,

It's hard to believe that March is here already. It's that time of year when we have our Spring Parent Teacher conferences. We encourage all parents to set up appointments with your child's teacher to learn how they are progressing with their academics and social emotional health. At Cherrywood, we value the importance of maintaining a balance between student success and students' social emotional health which affects a child for a lifetime. This is also a great opportunity to ensure that there is a strong connection between home and school which research has shown to be an indicator of student success. Thank you for all your efforts in ensuring that your child's learning journey is being supported.

We have been celebrating Read Across America all week with reading themed Spirit Days. Congratulations to Ms. Yadao's class, Ms. Xian Zhang's class, Ms. Zhang's class, and Mr. Ramirez's class. Our HSC will also be helping students celebrate the lifelong learning skill of reading by passing out new English and Mandarin books to students at their different reading levels in the next week. Cherrywood Chargers love to read!

I hope you will join us at our next Principal's Coffee on Thursday, 3/16, in our FIS Fab Lab as we continue to discuss and learn about strategies that help students use their breath in relation to their learning.

Partner's in Education,

Mrs. Choy

## MARCH IS NATIONAL NUTRITION MONTH!

Have you ever wondered if school meals are a good fit for your child? Did you know that school meals are required to meet strict federal nutrition standards? School meals contain whole grains as well as nutrients that provide children with energy and focus throughout the day. Fresh fruit and vegetables are offered daily and students are encouraged to take at least one serving with their meals. Studies show that students who consume school lunches are more likely to consume healthier food options, i.e., a variety of fruits and vegetables. In turn, students who consume a healthier diet have an increased ability to learn and flourish. For more information on school meals, click [HERE](#).

## FREE DENTAL FAIR MARCH 16TH

The Local Oral Health Program (LOHP) invites you to join and share the [Happy Teeth Fair](#) event, "Happy Teeth Fair" on **March 16**, which will include:

- Health education booths
- Children's activities
- Free dental screenings for young children
- Award certificates to children who complete their [Kindergarten Oral Health Assessment \(KOHA\)](#) requirement for entering school
- And much, much more!



Stop by to visit with County Supervisor Cindy Chavez, one of our County's leading advocates for children's oral health. We hope to see you at the Happy Teeth Fair at Valley Health Center, Tully Clinic (500 Tully Road, San Jose) on March 16th from 12:30-4:00 P.M. Visit the [newly launched LOHP website](#) for more dental health information.

## HSC VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

HSC is looking for volunteers to help support all the fun and engaging activities we have at school.

- **Vice President:** Works closely with the HSC President to help run HSC, attends board meetings and other school related meetings, fulfill HSC President's role in his/her absence.
- **Volunteer Coordinator:** Recruits volunteers, schedules and manages volunteers for events and other assignments as needed, manages the Room Parent volunteer program.
- **Marketing Coordinator:** Responsible for HSC communications including social media posts, emails, newsletter, web, and advertising campaigns for events and activities.
- **Events Coordinator:** Leads the planning and execution of family events, oversees event committees, works with school administration and teachers to plan school wide events.
- **Teacher/Staff Appreciation Committee:** Plan and implement school-wide activities for the week of 5/8-5/12 to express our gratitude to the dedicated Cherrywood team.

Join HSC Bloomz (group code S4KAHS) to sign up or contact us at: [volunteer@cherrywoodhsc.org](mailto:volunteer@cherrywoodhsc.org)



## "MAKE A DIFFERENCE" RAFFLE TICKET SALE

Cherrywood School is partnering with the Berryessa Education Foundation to participate in raffle tickets sales for the "**Raffle to Make a Difference**" to be held on **Saturday, March 25, 2023 at 11:00am** at the Berryessa School District's boardroom located at 1376 Piedmont Road. (You do not have to be present to win.) **Each \$5.00 raffle ticket gives you the opportunity to win one of many prizes and to help raise funds.** Half of each \$5.00 ticket sold will raise funds that will be made available for our school. Our goal is to sell 2,000 tickets and make \$5,000 available for student's needs. Please help our school by purchasing tickets and to give you chances to win! Look for a flyer coming home soon regarding how to purchase tickets, or **stop by our office to purchase your tickets**. Prizes include: a \$1,000 cash prize, a \$500 Disney Gift Card, a \$200 Southwest Airlines Gift Card, and many other prizes. The Berryessa Education Foundation was created in 1992 to help support Berryessa teachers in the classroom. Since 1992 they have given over \$350,000 to make a difference for Berryessa students. Half of all ticket sales will be used to help the Foundation continue to provide grants to Berryessa teachers.

## VOTE FOR US FOR THE BAY AREA PARENT'S MAGAZINE CONTEST

It's that time of the year again to **vote** for Cherrywood in **Bay Area Parent's Magazine Best of the Best Contest**. Cherrywood has been awarded the honor of Gold awardee for the past three years in the categories of Language Immersion Program AND Public Elementary School. This top award is given to schools or businesses who get the highest number of votes from the community. **You can vote once a week until the polls close at midnight on April 30, 2023.** Let's make Cherrywood a gold medal school for the FOURTH year in a row. **Please vote using this link: [CLICK HERE](#)**. Go to the Education button and remember to vote in BOTH the Language Immersion School and Public or Charter Elementary School categories. You can share this link with family and friends. Thanks for your continued support!!

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