

# The Sakamoto Scoop

Principal's Newsletter

September 2020

## CALENDAR

9/3 Virtual Back to School Night, 5:30pm.

9/4 Last day of Online Book Fair

9/7 Labor Day—No School

9/8 Hispanic Parent Group, 9am

9/8 PTO Meeting 6:30pm

9/10 Koffee Klatch Parent Mtg, 9am

9/16-10/16 Parent Goal Setting Conferences;

9/18 Spirit Day—School Colors!

**9/28-10/2 NO SCHOOL—Enjoy the break!**

Note about Picture Day—At This Time, Picture Day has been postponed. Updates will be provided

All meetings are virtual, see [school calendar](#) for links.

## PTO News!

PTO Fundraising kicks off this month with Pennies for PTO, dining for dollars, and Samurai Savings. Be on the look out for flyers and news from the PTO on Parent Square and check out the website at [www.sakamotopto.com](http://www.sakamotopto.com)

## NEWS & EVENTS

**Goal Setting Conferences:** Teachers will start meeting with parents this month for goal setting. These conferences provide diagnostic data to parents about their child's readiness for the grade level, and give an opportunity for teachers, parents, and students to set goals together for the year.

**The Leader in Me:** At Sakamoto, we believe that all students have genius and everyone is a leader. Our aim

is to develop leadership and social skills among students and build upon our culture of excellence! This month students are creating personal mission statements in the classroom and each class is even creating their own mission statement. You can create family mission statements too!

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### Virtual Back to School Night:

Find out more about our goals and actions for student achievement, and opportunities offered for you and your child at Sakamoto during Mrs. Enna's welcome presentation at 5:30 (repeated at 6:30). All teachers will present to parents and guardians at 6:00 and 6:30pm. If you are unable to attend virtually, there will be video recordings of the presentations available.

## PARENT GROUPS

**Parent group meetings** will be starting up this month and you are encouraged to attend! Parent groups are held to bring together like-minded parents to collaborate and discuss issues, topics, events, and ideas related to your child's education. Your input is valued!

Parent Teacher Organization (PTO): All parents are members and welcome!

Koffee Klatch: A meeting space for parents of African American, African, and Bi-Racial children. Meets 1x/month

Hispanic Parent Group: Meets 1x/month. Plans and organizes Dia De Los Muertos.

School Site Council: Elected group that oversees the implementation of the school's safety and achievement plans.

English Learner Advisory Council: Parents of English Learners are invited to learn about and provide input on ELD education.

**GATE:** Students are identified for Gifted and Talented Education in 3rd grade. We did not complete GATE testing in the spring and plan to resume in October. We will have a GATE parent meeting and begin after school workshops shortly after.

**We Value Your Input!** If you have input on anything at all related to Sakamoto and your child's education—we'd like to hear from you! [Fill out this brief form.](#)

