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Sacramento Valley Charter School Family Newsletter

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Dear SVCS Parents and Families,

Thank you for your trust in Sacramento Valley Charter School's programs and services. We have come a long way to earn a spot among the best schools in the Sacramento area. Your cooperation and interest in your child's education is one of the key factors in their motivation to succeed at school. Therefore, we will constantly be in communication with you throughout the year to monitor their success and update you about their challenges. Our teachers are highly qualified and professionally trained to impact learning of all groups of scholars. Our support staff works hard to maintain high standards both inside and outside classrooms. In order to take full advantage of the school's programs, please make sure your child attends school regularly.

Remember:

- ***Chronic Absenteeism can harm your child's interest and motivation in education***
- ***Planning vacation during school days is highly discouraged. Plan when school is off during winter, spring and summer breaks.***
- ***Exposing your child to inappropriate language, cursing, and violence may impede their social emotional health.***

The core culture at SVCS consists of high expectations, rigorous curriculum, and individualized and multi-level support for all scholars. In addition, our scholars have opportunities to excel in extra-curricular activities to develop as leaders of tomorrow, and learn through hands-on activities through participation in field trips and creative projects.

We look forward to a great school year, See you Soon!

Please find the **2024-25 instructional calendar** on our website using the link below:
[2024-25 ACADEMIC CALENDAR](#)

Meet & Greet: Our annual meet and greet is scheduled for August 14th, 2024 from 2-4PM. Parents, families, and students are invited to attend and meet their teachers and staff members. This time is set aside so we can all become acquainted with one another and acquire first hand knowledge about curriculum, homework, and assignments ahead of time.

Updated Contact Information: For safety reasons it is extremely important that you provide updated contact information to our office. This includes email, phone numbers and any alternative communication. You may also want to include the office phone number in your contacts so that you are aware that our office is calling. **We ask that you prioritize calls from SVCS as most urgent.**

Family Handbook: We are in the process of updating the 2024-2025 Family handbook and it will be available for your knowledge on our website soon. Parents are encouraged to read the handbook in full with their children so that they can support their children to the best of their knowledge.

Summer BOOST, STEM Camp, & Robotics Camp 2024: Our students showed their hard work, dedication, and passion for learning throughout the summer boost program. This program helped provide students with resources that helped to make up for the loss of studies during the pandemic. Students who were behind in some subjects, at risk of retention, or needed to work on their functioning skills, benefited from summer boost. We ended summer boost with an awards ceremony to appreciate our students for their hard work, perfect attendance, and participation.

Important Dates

August 1st & 2nd - Transportation Orientation
August 14, 2024 - Meet & Greet (2pm - 4pm)
August 15, 2024 - First Day of School (Starts at 8:30am)

OFFICE HOURS

Summer Office Hours:
July 22, 2024 - August 13, 2024
(9AM - 3PM)

Regular Office Office Hours
August 14th, 2024 - June 5th, 2025
(8:30 AM - 4:00 PM)

Transportation Orientation: Mark your calendar to enroll your child in school transportation for August 1st & 2nd. Please complete your forms beforehand for faster processing. On this day you will also pay the transportation fee. Bus drivers will be on campus to meet parents and arrange transportation for the upcoming school year. You will also be filling out the lunch application forms for your student. Please view the schedule below.

August 1

School Orientation for TK - 2nd grade parents will be held from 9am - 9:30am
9:30am -12pm Will be open to complete lunch applications and transportation paperwork

-----**Staff Lunch/Break is from 12:-12:45pm**-----

School Orientation for 3-5th grade parents will be held from 1 - 1:30pm
1:30 - 4pm Will be open to complete lunch applications and transportation paperwork

August 2

School Orientation for 6-8th grade parents will be held from 9am - 9:30am
9:30am -12pm Will be open to complete lunch applications and transportation paperwork

-----**Staff Lunch/Break is from 12:-12:45pm**-----

Please come prepared with the following documents:

- SVCS Transportation Bus Invoice (Printable from the link below)
- Signed Policies and Procedures Acknowledgement
 - Cash or Checks payable to SVCS enclosed in a sealed envelope labeled with students name.

<https://www.sacvalleycharter.org/transportation-forms.html>

BUS Stop Rules:

1. Parents should arrive at their scheduled bus stop 10 minutes early.
2. Before calling our office, check the **BUSWHERE** app to see the location of the bus.
3. Follow all transportation safety guidelines outlined in our procedures and policies while picking-up and dropping-off.
4. If you plan to alternatively pick-up your student from the school you must inform the office an hour in advance.

Items not allowed on campus or buses: Please be sure your students are not bringing any of the following items to school with them particularly, and any other item that has not been required by their teachers. We are not responsible for any lost/stolen items. If your scholar is seen with these items they will be confiscated immediately and you will be required to pick them up from the front office. These items distract students and create unnecessary competition between peers. Parents must sign a warning notice if items are confiscated.

LUNCH APPLICATION (NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM)

SVCS will be participating in the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program. It is necessary that all parents/guardians complete this form for each child that attends SVCS. Online applications are live and ready for families to fill out!

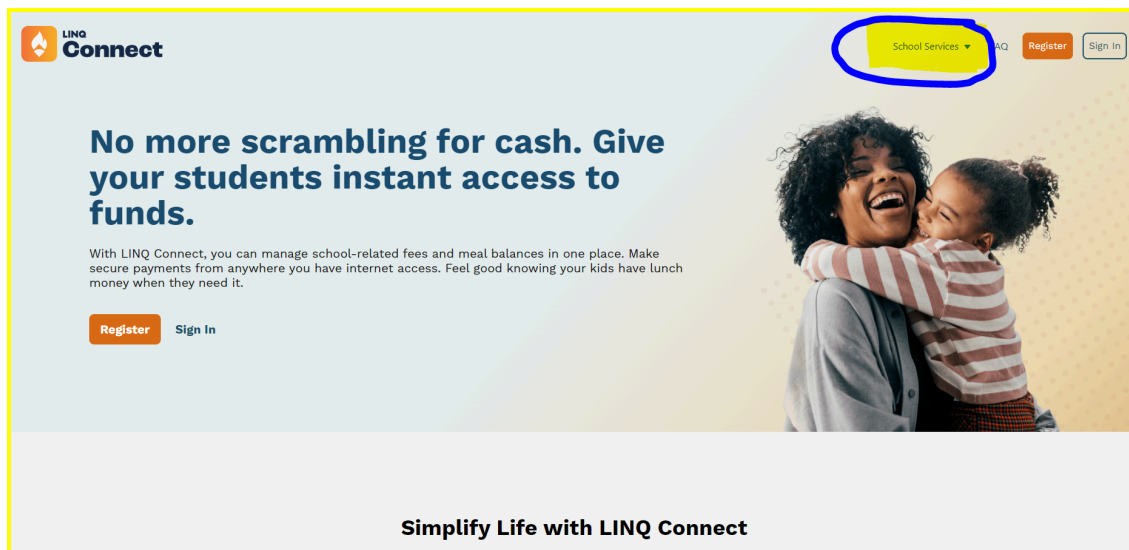
Please view all forms that are available for your understanding on the school website below.

If you do need help filling out this application, help will be provided during the August 1st and 2nd orientations. We encourage parents/guardians to fill out the lunch application online for easier access.

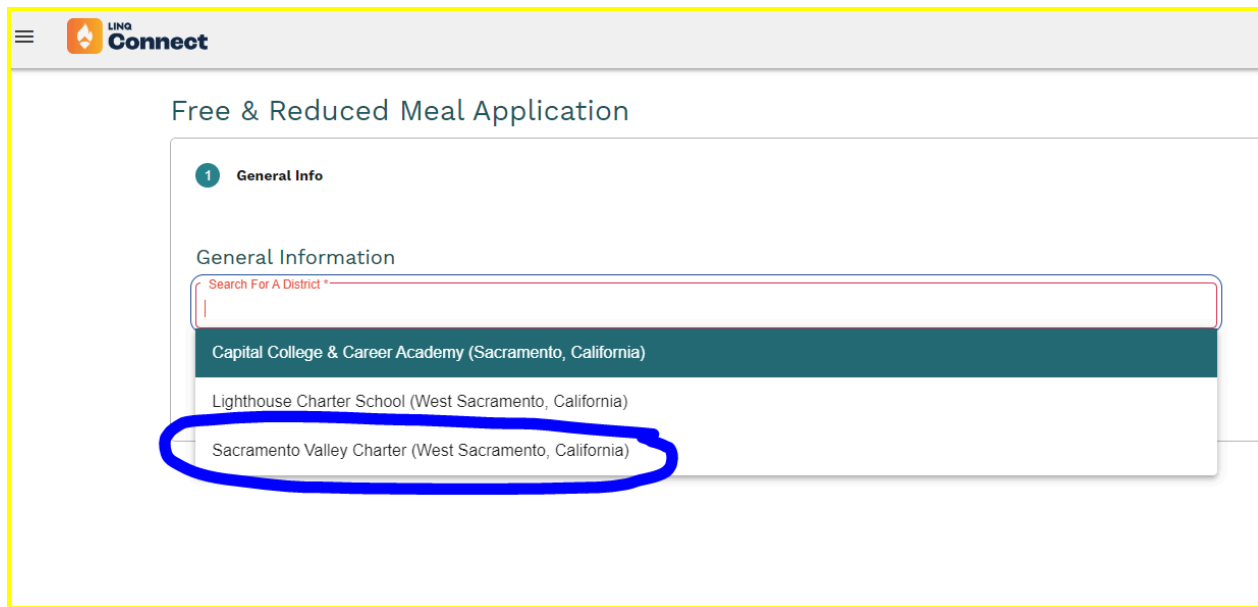
Here is the link to the online lunch applications and directions below:

<https://linqconnect.com/RP7NGT>

Please click "School Services" and then choose "Free and Reduced Lunch Application." DO NOT sign up for an account yet, as you will not be able to do that until the first day of school.



Type in "Sacramento Valley Charter" and it will pop up for you to choose. Please follow the instructions thereafter!



The screenshot shows the LINC Connect website interface for a 'Free & Reduced Meal Application'. The page has a header with the LINC Connect logo and a hamburger menu. The main heading is 'Free & Reduced Meal Application'. Below this, there is a section titled '1 General Info'. Under 'General Information', there is a search bar labeled 'Search For A District *'. A dropdown menu is open, showing three options: 'Capital College & Career Academy (Sacramento, California)', 'Lighthouse Charter School (West Sacramento, California)', and 'Sacramento Valley Charter (West Sacramento, California)'. The third option is circled in blue.

Search For A District *
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Lighthouse Charter School (West Sacramento, California)
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