

BELLA MENTE NEWSLETTER

Updated Weekly

October 13, 2025

Dear Bella Mente Parents and Guardians,

This week, Mr. Reyes and the Community Leadership class will begin “Socktober,” collecting socks for our area homeless shelters. At Bella Mente we believe in giving back to our community and supporting those in need. With your help, our school is making a difference in the lives of so many!

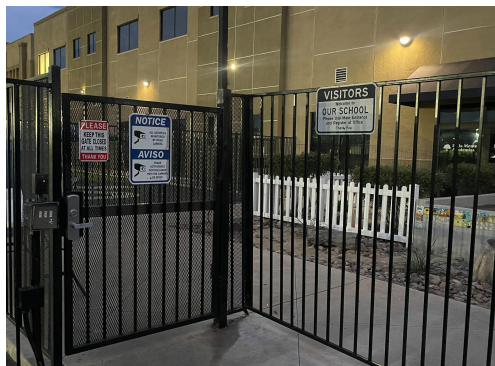
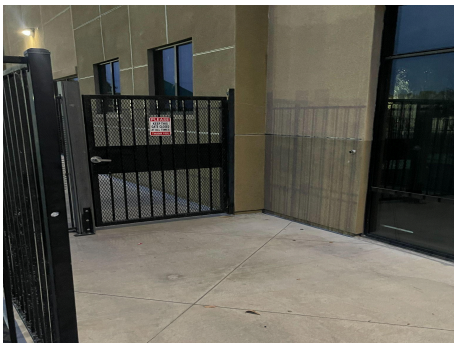
We had a great time with students at Friday’s Perfect Attendance Dance Party. Students who have not missed a day of school this year were invited to music, fun, and dance hosted by our resident DJ’s: Ms. Lacey and Mr. Anthony. Thank you Ms. Lacey and Mr. Anthony for giving your time to celebrate with our students!



As another reminder, Parent Conferences are scheduled for November 18th, 19th, and 20th. Students in grades 3-6 should be expected to attend with you, as they will be giving “student-led presentations” on their learning journey so far this year. Middle School Students will be creating their presentations and will share those presentations with parents at home. It is always a treat to listen to our students give their account of their accomplishments thus far and the goals they have set for themselves. Please be on the lookout for email communication from your teacher for sign-up slots. If you need a translator, please email Maca Davis, Community Liaison, at mdavis@bellamentecharter.org to submit your request.

Thank you again for being a partner in your student’s educational journey. We appreciate you!

Please see reminders below about Drop Off locations:

Drop Off “Kiss/Hug and Go” Location is:	
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Please click the link below to view our Family Handbook:

[2025-2026 Board-Approved Family Handbook](#)



Lost and Found is located in the Health Office.

Please check during school office hours 7:30 am-3:45 pm.

Items left for more than 2 weeks will be donated.

We highly recommend that you write your child’s name on the clothing tag so we can return the clothing to your child.

Upcoming Virtual Cooking Class with Mr. Wagner!

Do you enjoy cooking? Mr. Wagner will be hosting a Monthly Virtual Cooking Class! The cooking dates are below!

- 11/12/25
- 12/10/25
- 01/14/26
- 02/11/26
- 03/11/26
- 04/08/26
- 05/16/26

Upcoming Events:

Date	Event	Time
M, October 13, 2025	Socktober Community "Sockraiser" begins: Donate adults socks to your child's classroom teacher. Socks will be donated to area homeless shelters	Through Friday, October 24th
T, October 14, 2025		
W, October 15, 2025	PTA Board Meeting Chipotle Dine-out	9:00-10:00 in the Library 4:00-8:00 p.m., 30 Main St., Vista
Th, October 16, 2025	Leadership Coffee Mingle: all parents/guardians welcome! Primary: Mad Science Assembly Earthquake Drill	8:30-9:30 a.m. at the Gazebo 9:00-9:45 a.m.: Ms. Jen, Ms. Laura, and Ms. Yufei's classes 10:00-10:45 a.m.: Ms. Michelle, Ms. Eva, and Ms. Sierra's classes 2:30 p.m.
F, October 17, 2025		
M, October 20, 2025		
T, October 21, 2025		
W, October 22, 2025		

Th, October 23, 2025	RED RIBBON WEEK BEGINS	THROUGH OCTOBER 31ST
F, October 24, 2025		
M, October 27, 2025	Fun Run Fundraiser Begins	Through November 7th
T, October 28, 2025	Fall Picture Retakes	All day in the MPR
W, October 29, 2025		
Th, October 30, 2025		
F, October 31, 2025	Halloween Costume Parade Trunk or Treat	8:15-8:45 a.m. 4:00-5:30 p.m. in the Lower Parking Lot

After-School Enrichment Programs

If you have any questions, please contact Anthony Beaver, Community Outreach Director at abeaver@bellamentecharter.org or 760-621-8948 EXT. 310 regarding our updated and upcoming amazing after-school activities:

- **Mondays**
 - **Gymnastics 2:50-3:50 TK-2 MPR 10/13,10/20, 10/27,11/3**
 - **Lower Elementary YOGA, 3:10-3:50, in Room 221, October-January**
 - **Good News club, 3:15-4:15, in Room 206**
- **Tuesdays**
 - **Karate, 2:50-4:15 in the MPR: Year round**
- **Thursdays:**
 - **ART Adventures, 2:50-3:50 TK-3rd, in the MPR: 10/16,10/23, 10/30,11/6**

- **Fridays**
 - **STEAM Explorers, 2:50-3:50 for K-3rd, in the MPR: 10/17,10/24, 10/31, 11/7**

INDEPENDENT STUDY



Independent Study

When your child is absent from school, please complete an Independent Study Contract. The Bella team will help you enroll and provide students with the appropriate resources to keep up with class work.

Email: IS@bellamentecharter.org to learn more!

PARENT VOLUNTEERS



Parent Volunteers

Interested in volunteering on campus? Returning volunteers must complete all forms and online training to be an active volunteer during our school year. For more information, please contact Anthony Beaver at abeaver@bellamentecharter.org.

Parent Teacher Association (PTA)

Our **Party Monster** has arrived and it's HUNGRY for your donations! 🧡💜 This year, everything collected will help us stock up for not one, but **two amazing school events**: our **Fall Festival** and our **Trunk-or-Treat!** 🎃🚗

We're asking for **individually wrapped snacks and prizes** (no candy, please!) to keep the fun flowing. Here are some ideas that make our Party Monster extra happy:

✨ **Snacks**: goldfish, pretzels, popcorn, dried fruit

✨ **Prizes**: stickers, pencils, glowsticks

✨ **And More**: bookmarks, bubbles, keychains

You can "feed" the Party Monster by dropping donations off in the school office anytime. Every little item helps us make both events extra magical for our kids and families! 🧡

Thank you for keeping the fun alive and helping our Bella Mente community celebrate together. Let's show this monster what we're made of! 🧡💜

The Bella Mente PTA is also recruiting volunteers for Room Parents and the Fall Festival. Please use these links to sign up if you are interested!

[Fall Festival](#)

[Room Parent Interest Form](#)

We look forward to hearing from you!

QR codes are also located on the PTA bulletin board near the school entrance. Thank you for all of your support of Bella Mente. We look forward to working with you!

With gratitude,
The Bella Mente PTA



Updates to our +Box Program (now called Brighter Bites)

Distribution of Brighter Bites boxes will occur on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month. Please sign up in the Front Office if you are interested in receiving free boxes of vegetables and other food items.