

PLEASE READ ALL THE WAY THROUGH!

EDUCATION STATIONS: This year, Texas A&M Special Education Teaching Students will be providing the following education stations. Education Passports for each student will be available for your class at each station.

- MATH
- SCIENCE
- ART
- SOCIAL STUDIES

SENSORY STATION: This year, Stacy's Sensory Solutions will be providing a Sensory area for student engagement.

DEPARTURE: Upon leaving the Carnival grounds, please stop at the registration table and pick up your coloring books to send home with your students. Thank you!

PHOTOGRAPHY OPT-OUT: Fiesta Especial® is a public event and photographers and media will be present capturing the moments of the day. All attendees may be photographed and included in event publicity materials. Please seek special armband at Guest Information to opt out of photos.

THANK YOU POSTER: We love sharing the love with the sponsors of Fiesta Especial® who make this day possible. If your class would like to make a thank you poster to our sponsors, we ask that you drop this off at the registration table upon arrival. This year, your poster will be entered into a contest to be one ten posters selected to appear on a set of Thank You cards that will be presented to our sponsors. Your poster should definitely include a fun and spirit filled theme and the words "Thank You". In order to be considered, your posters should NOT include the first and last names of students or the names of any of our sponsoring companies.

ARRIVAL WITH ARA SUBMITTED:

Upon arrival, please **DO NOT** stop at registration. Place an armband on all your attendees prior to arrival and enter directly onto the grounds moving completely past the front area.

If there is an error in the number of wrist bands or meal tickets you've received, please stop at the SCHOOL REGISTRATION table in the parking lot B or at the front gate to get additional wristbands. **You will be required to show your SCHOOL ID in order to receive additional wristbands.** Please DO NOT let your class gather in the entry way of the grounds.

ARRIVAL WITHOUT ARA SUBMITTED:

Enclosed you will have wristbands that indicate you are not riding the rides. You are welcome to sign an ARA Agreement at the registration table in order to receive ride wristbands.

If you are planning to ride the rides, but have not submitted your ARA, your **CHECK-IN WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE PARKING LOT B ONLY.** Upon arrival, check in at the SCHOOL REGISTRATION table in the parking lot B or at the front gate to get the appropriate wristbands. **You will be required to show your SCHOOL ID in order to receive additional wristbands.** Please DO NOT let your class gather in the entry way of the grounds.

BUS ARRIVAL INFORMATION: It is **imperative** that you share the drop off information with your bus driver. Instructions for busses utilizing the wheelchair lifts and those who are not are printed on the backside of the Parking Pass. Busses not following the correct entry route will be redirected by law enforcement.

ONLY buses and vehicles dropping off individuals in wheel chairs may unload passengers on Cherry Street. These vehicles must arrive from Montana onto Cherry Street.

All other vehicles must unload in Alamodome Parking Lot B in the UNLOAD zone and then park. These vehicles must arrive from Caesar Chavez turning onto Cherry Street.

PARKING PASS: Parking is located in Alamo Dome, Parking Lot B. One Parking Pass is included in this kit. Please make copies for the bus, vans and cars for your group. Be sure all of your chaperones arriving in separate vehicles are given a pass to place on their dashboards. The Alamo Dome is donating the parking, but your vehicle must exhibit this pass.

SHOEBOX PARADE: You must bring your floats with the enclosed Shoebox Parade forms affixed to each entry. **Please make copies of this form as needed.** The staging area for the parade is located at the back of the Carnival Grounds on the opposite side from the front entrance. Following the parade, floats will be placed on tables according to Category for the judges to make their final decisions. **All shoebox floats that do not have a form affixed to their entry will be a part of the parade, but will only be eligible for an honorary ribbon.**

MIDWAY MAP: A map of the midway will be emailed out over the weekend prior to the event day. This map will not be finalized until our walkthrough on Friday, April 20th. The map will identify event amenities as well as indicate which rides will be open for our use.

SPECIAL AMENITIES: At Fiesta Especial® Celebration Day, you will have access to port-a-potties and accessible port-a-potties, adult diaper changing stations, private tube feeding tent, Registered Nurse on duty, and Acadian Ambulance to make your visit more accommodating to your student's needs.

COMMEMORATIVE PHOTO: Please be sure to visit the Photo Booth for a special commemorative Photo of your visit to Celebration Day. Props are available to make this a super fun experience. These photos will not be printed this year, but posted to our facebook page and can be emailed to you.

BUS SCHOLARSHIP/REIMBURSEMENT: If awarded to your school, bus/transportation reimbursements will be distributed within 7 days of receipt of your Official Transportation Invoice from your school district. Invoices from your TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT may be emailed to FiestaEspecial@disABILITYsa.org or faxed to 866-461-5481. The deadline to submit invoices for reimbursement is Friday, May 11th, 2018. If an invoice is not submitted by this date, you forfeit your award. disABILITYsa will NOT reimburse off of an estimate or quote. We will only pay out on the official Transportation Invoice from your district's Transportation Department and MUST be accompanied by a W-9. Information can be faxed (866-461-5481) or emailed (fiestaespecial@disabilitysa.org).

NO ADMISSION AT THE GATE: Any person not included in your registration totals must be accompanied by a representative of the school to SCHOOL REGISTRATION in order to receive an admission band. Fiesta Especial® does not grant general admissions at the gate. Unaccompanied guests will NOT be granted admission. Your additional guests' admission to the event will be based on your prior registration and be considered an adjustment to your head count. Parents may register as individuals on their own through April 13th.

Please forward all questions to FiestaEspecial@disabilitysa.org.

We look forward to having you with us on Tuesday, April 24th 10am – 3pm in the Alamo Dome Parking Lot C.

Serving together,



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