

PYP EXHIBITION LETTER

Dear Parents,

Come to Rodriguez Elementary on _____ for our PYP Exhibition night!

For 5th grade students, this is the culmination of their experiences working with the PYP and is a summative assessment of their understandings of the programme principles and framework

The purpose of the Exhibition is to display the students' understanding and to celebrate their success as learners, working within the framework of the programme. It is an opportunity for students to bring together all the subject disciplines and utilize all the transdisciplinary skills they have been learning through their time at school. It is conducted independently, though teachers have provided some support in the form of suggestions and constructive feedback.

The focus is on the transdisciplinary theme, **where we are in time and place**. Working as part of a collaborative group, students are conducting an independent investigation into an issue of local and global importance in an attempt to prove the **Central Idea: Individuals organize to solve problems and take action**.

As a result of this investigation the task is for students to educate others and convince them to take some form of positive action. Findings are presented in the form of an exhibit. Exhibits are completed independently, without teacher/parent intervention, to reflect a true understanding of the task, the chosen issue, and students' skills in developing, conducting, assessing and presenting the results of an investigation.

There has been a healthy level of collaboration and energy in the classrooms and hallways this month, it is encouraging to see students so engaged in their learning and so supportive of each other in the process. We are excited to share these presentations with everyone.

Thank you for your continuous support. We hope you enjoy the exhibit as much as we have!

Sincerely,

The 5th Grade Teacher Team