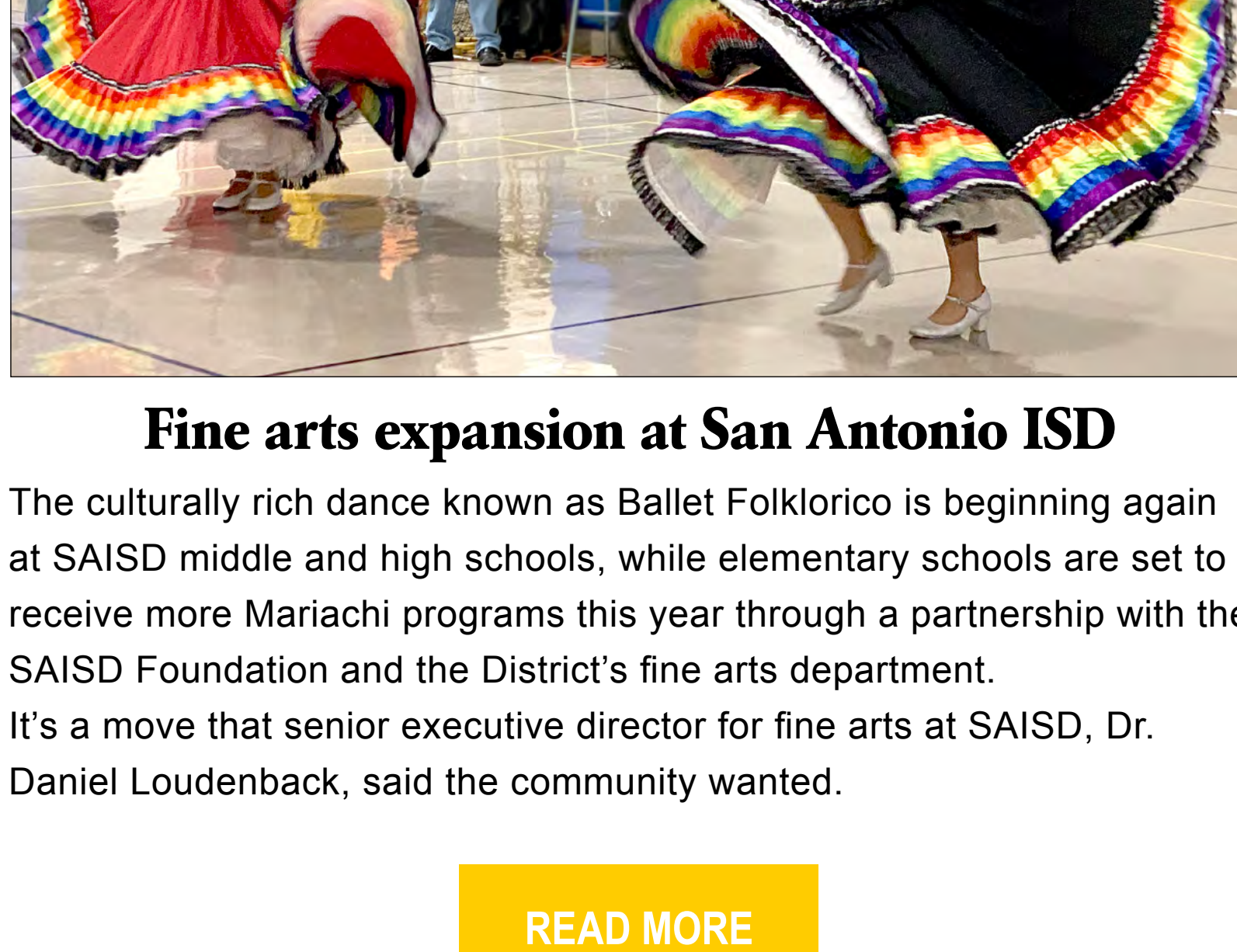


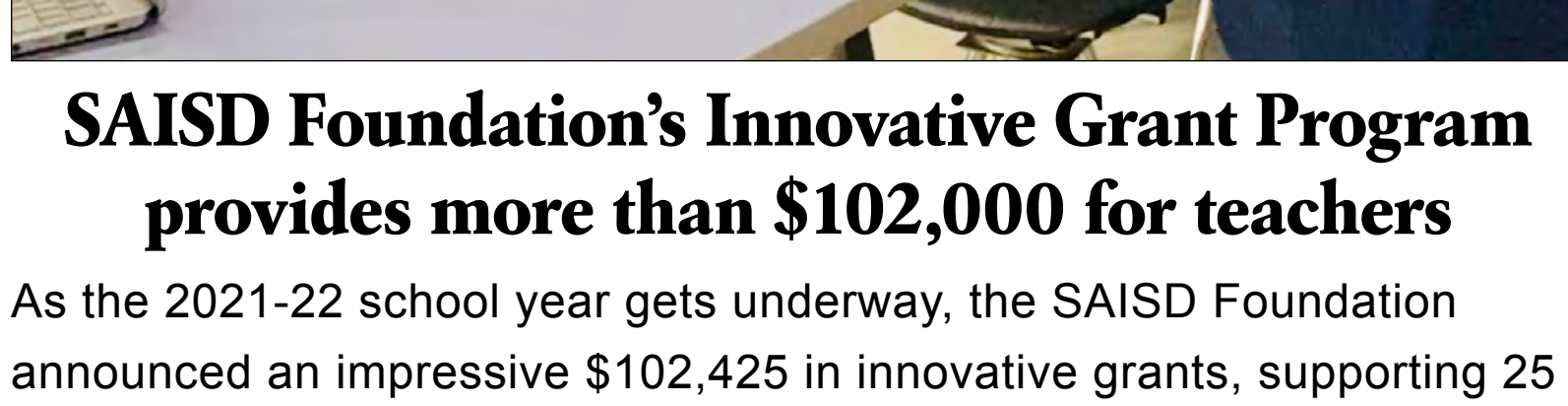
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Fine arts expansion at San Antonio ISD

The culturally rich dance known as Ballet Folklórico is beginning again at SAISD middle and high schools, while elementary schools are set to receive more Mariachi programs this year through a partnership with the SAISD Foundation and the District's fine arts department. It's a move that senior executive director for fine arts at SAISD, Dr. Daniel Loudenback, said the community wanted.

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SAISD Foundation's Innovative Grant Program provides more than \$102,000 for teachers

As the 2021-22 school year gets underway, the SAISD Foundation announced an impressive \$102,425 in innovative grants, supporting 25 educator grants applied for last spring. This morning, the giving kicked off with awards to two teachers at Lanier High School, totaling \$7,308.



International Baccalaureate diplomas announced

Thomas Jefferson (IB) World Schools, one of the San Antonio ISD's nine IB schools, announced that 20 of their 2021 graduates have been awarded prestigious International Baccalaureate Diplomas. The announcement follows evaluation of the students' work on subject specific projects, essays and scores on IB subject exams by the International Baccalaureate organization.

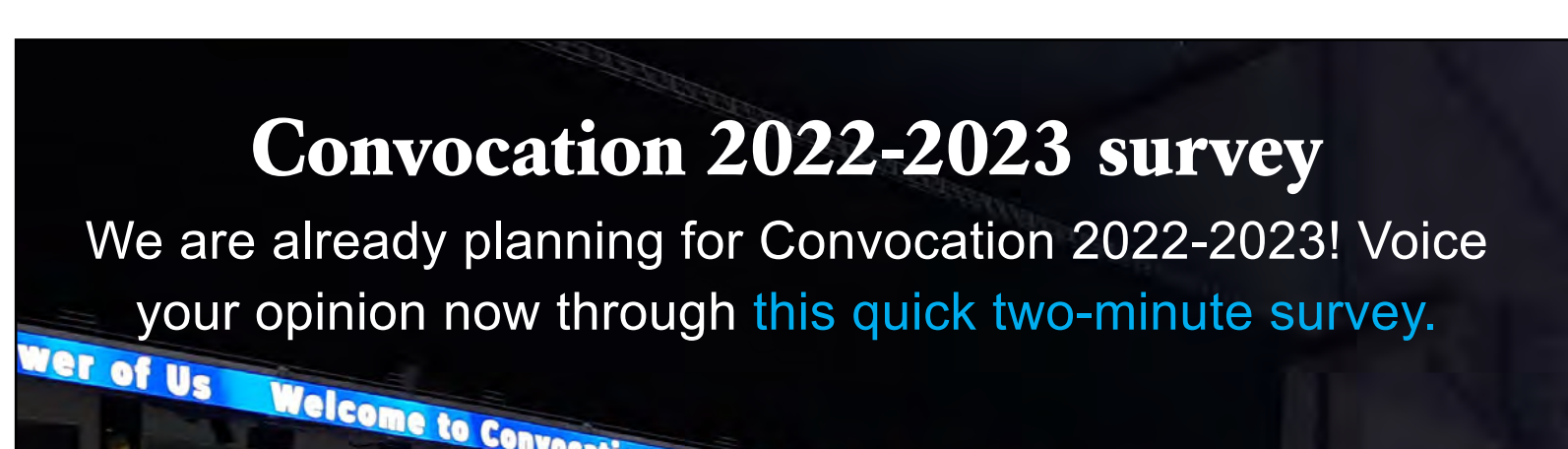
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Meet SAISD's new principals

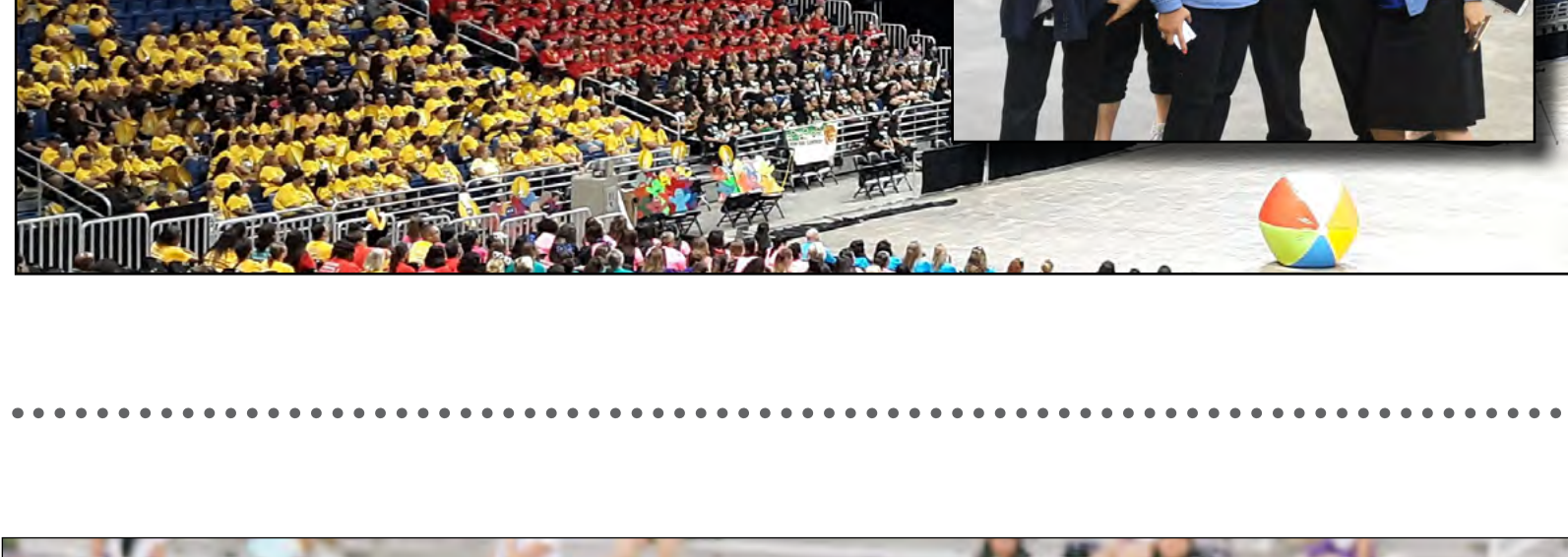
This year, San Antonio ISD welcomes 11 new campus administrators for the 2021-2022 school year. Congratulations to our newest principals!

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Convocation 2022-2023 survey

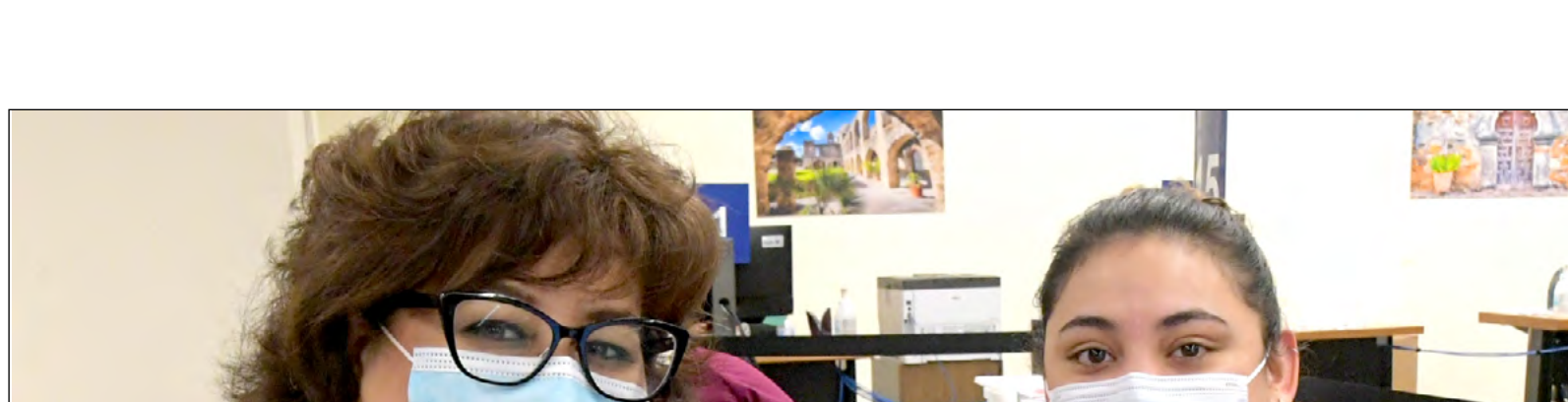
We are already planning for Convocation 2022-2023! Voice your opinion now through [this quick two-minute survey](#).



Precautions to protect regular, UIL season

Not all of our students who participate in athletics and other extracurricular activities have had an opportunity to get vaccinated against COVID-19. As a precaution, we are actively planning vaccine clinics this week and next. With cases rising locally and across the state, and since practice games are discretionary, we have canceled some scrimmages against outside school districts. We are prioritizing the regular season to give students the best assurance we can that they will be less likely to be quarantined during UIL-qualifying games.

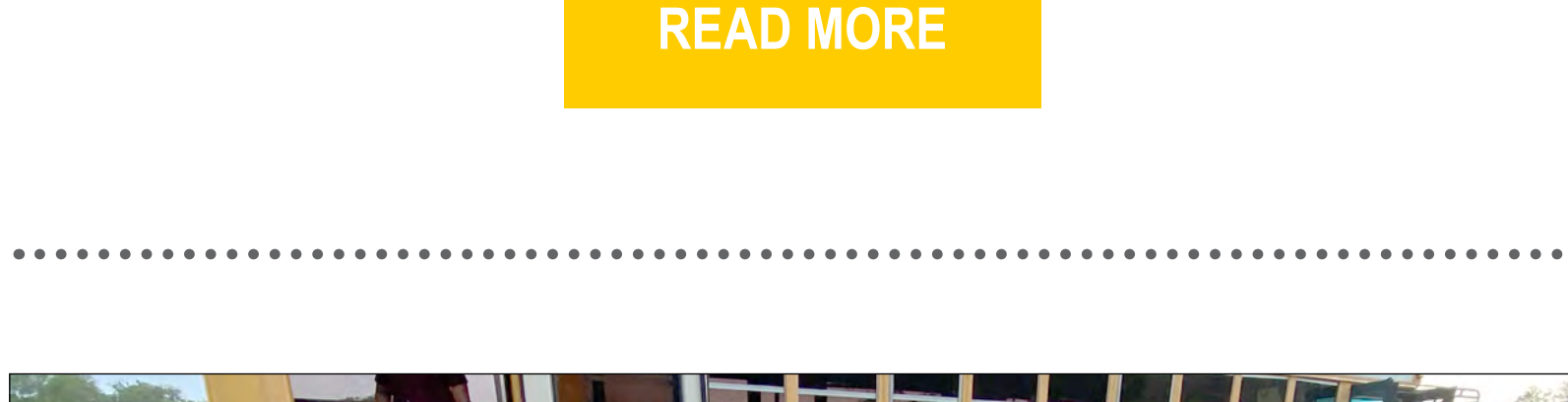
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Staff vaccination mandate implemented

"Our District has led the way with our response to COVID-19. Since day one, our focus has been the health and safety of our staff, our students, and our broader community of our families and neighbors. We have confronted the pandemic as a united front, following safety protocols to include masking, as well as providing regular COVID-19 testing and access to the COVID-19 vaccines. I couldn't be more proud of you for the strength and perseverance you have shown during this unprecedented time." - Superintendent Pedro Martinez

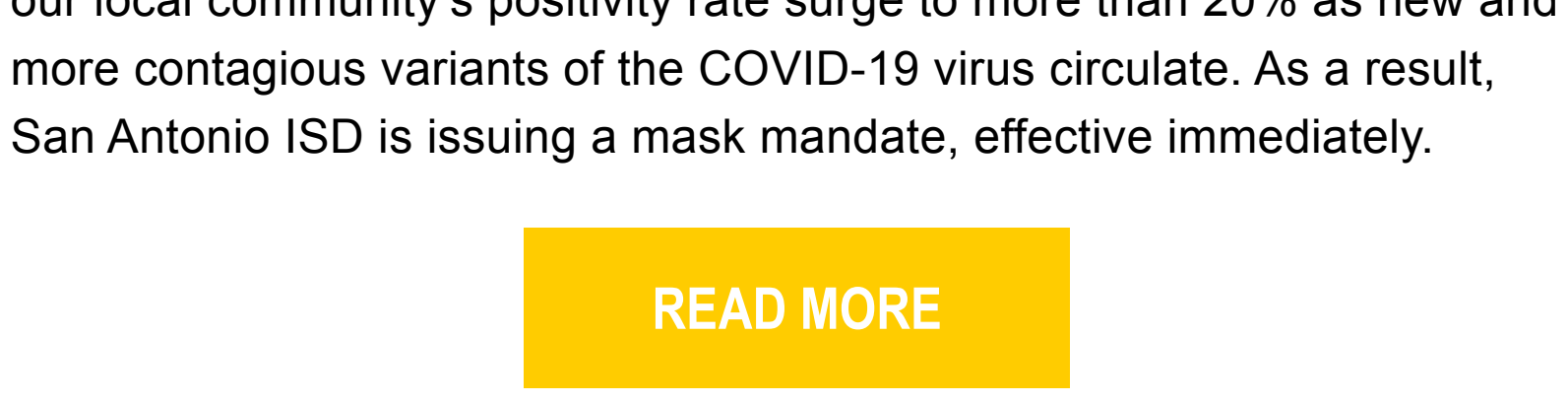
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SAISD requires masks for staff and students

Although our district's positivity rate is approximately 2%, we are seeing our local community's positivity rate surge to more than 20% as new and more contagious variants of the COVID-19 virus circulate. As a result, San Antonio ISD is issuing a mask mandate, effective immediately.

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Child Nutrition at SAISD - a great place to work

Click on the photo above to hear from two of our SAISD Child Nutrition team members, Vangie and Matt, on why working in Child Nutrition is a great career.



Celebrating the first day of the school year

San Antonio ISD is happy to welcome back our students and teachers for the 2021-2022 school year! In-person classes began on Aug. 9, 2021, and we are excited about another year of classroom fun and learning.

