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Mission to Mexico Pancake Breakfast

On January 28, 2017, a team of SJASD students and teachers, family members and friends are departing on a mission trip to help grow educational opportunities in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico. Four students from Westwood Collegiate are Youth Team Leaders on the upcoming trip and are preparing to assist any way they can with two after-school programs called the School of Champions and the Volcanes Community Education Program.

This student-initiated project began 10 years ago and has since grown to involve participation from a number of St. James-Assiniboia schools. Students and staff across our Division have been working to help raise funds for the Mission to Mexico Education Project and now the last event is less than a week away. On January 22, the Mission to Mexico group is hosting a pancake breakfast at the Applebee's on Grant Avenue from 8:00 -10:00 a.m. Tickets are \$10 per person and are available by contacting mission2mex@gmail.com.

Our Division wishes the group a safe and successful trip and is looking forward to hearing about the experience when the team returns. After the first Mission to Mexico trip in 2014, Youth Team Leader Jeremy L. said "We helped them develop their library, which is now the only public library in all of Puerto Vallarta."

Media are invited to attend this event. Contact mission2mex@gmail.com for more information.

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