



District Highlights

Superintendent - Gina A. Potter, Ed.D.

Week of November 8, 2019

VETERAN'S DAY - NOVEMBER 11, 2019

The San Ysidro School District Office and Schools will be closed in observance of Veteran's Day.

BOARD WORKSHOP - SPECIAL MEETING: THURS, NOVEMBER 14 from 2PM - 5PM @ Willow School

On Thursday, November 14th beginning at 2 p.m. there will be a Special Board Meeting. The three topics of this meeting are:

1. GO Bond Election
2. Budget
3. School Safety & Willow Safety Walk

REGULAR BOARD MEETING: THURS, NOVEMBER 14 @ 5PM - Willow School

On Thursday, November 14th beginning at 5 p.m. there will be a regular Board Meeting.

ONESIGHT CLINIC (Event Coordinated by Veronica Medina)

The San Ysidro School District in conjunction with the OneSight program, the National School District, and the National City Host Lions Club provided over 1,600 free eye exams and needed eyeglasses to children throughout San Diego County. Over 350 students from SYSD participated and attended this event. The event was held the week of November 4th – 8th, 2019 at the Camacho Gymnasium at Las Palmas Park located at 1810 East 22nd Street, National City, CA 91950.





UPDATED BOARD POLICIES WORK SESSION

A special thanks to our district’s management team members who participated in reviewing all district board policies that the California School Boards Association (CSBA) recommended for editing within the last few months. The recommended updates are primarily to align our board policies with new state and federal legislative policies. The revised board policies will be presented to the Governing Board during the December 19th board meeting as a first reading and then again during the January 23rd board meeting as an action item.



SAN DIEGO SUPERINTENDENT LEADERSHIP SERIES

Superintendent Potter is participating this year in the SDCOE sponsored Superintendent Leadership Series professional development program along with the vast majority of superintendents from other districts in San Diego county. This Friday's training was titled, "Exceeding Expectations for District Leadership." The book study is titled, The ONE Thing and provides an opportunity for learning about topics such as multitasking, a balanced life, everything matters equally, willpower, big vs small, and selective discipline. Former Superintendents Dr. Lou Obermeyer and Dr. Paul Mercier are the professors for the Superintendent Leadership Series.

CASA FAMILIAR'S ANNUAL SAN YSIDRO COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING DINNER 2019 - Thursday, November 21st

For over 29 years, Cas Familiar has been serving Thanksgiving Dinner to San Ysidro families. On November 21, 2019, the community will come together once again with a crew of nearly 100 volunteers including professional chiefs, elected officials, police, teachers, business owners and many other community leaders to serve over 1,000 meals to San Ysidro families.



Announcing Casa Familiar's Annual San Ysidro Community Thanksgiving Dinner 2019

August 2019

Dear Friend of the Community:

The holidays will soon be upon us, which for many of us means getting together with the family, nice dinners, and good times. Unfortunately, for too many families in our community this is not always possible.

For over 29 years, Casa Familiar has been serving Thanksgiving Dinner to San Ysidro families. On November 21, 2019, our community will come together once again with a crew of nearly 100 volunteers including professional chefs, elected officials, police, teachers, business owners and many other community leaders to serve over 1,000 meals to San Ysidro families. It is a community-wide event with families sharing a traditional Thanksgiving Dinner with other local families. In our largely Latino community, this traditional Thanksgiving dinner is also often an adventure in culture.

Casa Familiar relies on the generous donations from local businesses to make this dinner possible. This is why we are reaching out to you today. Many of your loyal patrons will be guests at our dinner, as such, we ask that you please consider donating and invite you to be a part of the celebration.

We are in need of turkeys, canned foods, paper goods, and other in-kind or cash donations. Anything you can contribute will be greatly appreciated. All donations are tax deductible and donors will be recognized through signage during the event. If you are able to make a donation please contact our office at 619-428-1115. Your donation is tax exempt; our non-profit ID number is 23-7237898. Thank you in advance for your support in making the holidays a joyful time for all San Ysidro families.

Sincerely,

Lisa Cuestas
Chief Executive Officer



Coordinating team for 2019 Community Thanksgiving Dinner- Ana Chiquete, Susana Torres, Elsa Escalante, Alberto Sanchez, Bertha Rodriguez, Bertha Banda, Maria Cervantes & Tiernan Seaver

LA MIRADA VS. WILLOW SOCCER TEAM SCRIMMAGE

On Wednesday, Nov. 6 at La Mirada Elementary two of our Pathways Soccer teams from La Mirada and Willow squared off in a competitive friendly scrimmage! Parents, students and staff from both schools along with District staff were there cheering on both teams!



PARENT INSTITUTE FOR QUALITY EDUCATION (PIQE) - SUNSET SCHOOL

Congratulations to the 22 parents from Sunset School who graduated this week from the PIQE Institute!!! The Parent Institute For Quality Education (PIQE) consists of 7 weeks classes that provide parents with strategies on how to establish strong collaboration between home, school and community and help them better understand the school system. Some of the classes include fostering self-esteem in children and how it relates to academic achievement and social emotional learning. Parents have the opportunity to ask the Principal questions regarding the school and its programs during the last class, which is called the Principal Dialogue. At the end of the sessions, the parents receive their diploma of completion in the PIQE graduation ceremony.

A special thank you to Board Member Rudy Lopez for attending this event.

Please click on the link to view the Sunset PIQE Graduation Brochure:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B4_Wiy0SKQVcUIZualo4RU5DTGxwbniTTGNORVRDMTVxdHNj/view?usp=sharing



COUNCILMEMBER VIVIAN MORENO & FEEDING SAN DIEGO CEO, VINCE HALL, VISIT WILLOW MARKET

Council Member Vivian Moreno & Vince Hall, CEO, Feeding San Diego, were given a tour and overview by Principal Bojorquez of the Willow Market Food Distribution at Willow Elementary School.



PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCE WEEK (Manuela Colom)

Parent Teacher Conferences took place this week from November 4th through the 8th. This is the time of year when parents meet with teachers to receive the report cards, and discuss the student's academic and social progress. Parents have the opportunity to express their concerns and ask questions regarding their children.

CAREER DISCOVERY CYBERSECURITY PROGRAM (Manuela Colom)

On Friday November 1st, our upper grade Sci-Phy Team (Elva De Baca, Liana Davis, Melissa Hasemyer, Juanita Nuñez, and Janel Wright) participated in the "Career Discovery Cybersecurity Program". This training includes using the study of the history and science of cyber security to expose students to new career fields through the use of new technology platforms that connect students to industry professionals and career pathways. The Sci-Phy team will launch the instructional model to 6th grade students at OVHS during Sci Phy time later this month, and further develop this curriculum to be included as a part of their 6th grade curriculum district wide beginning next school year.



BOND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE

Please see link below to access the BOC meeting schedule:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B4_Wiy0SKQVcQXVLeFZYcXRYSDh5WHJLSm50NG51MIQtdHpv/view?usp=sharing

LOOKING AHEAD (by Monica Yrineo & Miguel Ortega)

Below is a chart of upcoming dates and events.

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
11-14-19	9:00 a.m.	SYMS	Coffee with the Principal

11-14-19	8:30 a.m. - K-1st grades 9:30 a.m. - 2nd & 3rd grades 1:30 p.m. - 4th & 5th grades 2:15 p.m. - 6th Grade	Willow School	Assemblies
11-15-19	8:20-9:20 a.m. - K-3rd 9:30-10:30 a.m. - 3rd-6th	Sunset	Awards Assemblies
11-15-19	9:00 a.m.	VDM	Coffee with the Principal
11-18-19	8:30 a.m. - Kinder 1st grade - 10:00 a.m. 2nd grade - 12:05 p.m. 3rd grade- 1:30 p.m.	OVHS MPR	Awards Assemblies
11-19-19	8:30 a.m.	OVHS	Coffee with the Principal
11-19-19	9:40 a.m. - TK 10:10 a.m. - 4th grade 12:30 p.m. - 5th grade 1:45 p.m. - 6th grade	OVHS MPR	Awards Assembly
11-19-19	8:30 a.m.	La Mirada School	Coffee with the Principal
11-19-19	8:30 a.m.	OVHS	Coffee with the Principal
11-19-19	8:30 a.m.	Smythe School	Coffee with the Principal
11-20-19	Tk & Rm 1 - 8:45 a.m. 1st, 2nd & Rm 33- 9:20 a.m. 3rd & 4th grades- 1:20 p.m. 5th,6th & Rm. 35 - 2:00 p.m.	Smythe School	Awards Assemblies
11-22-19	10:24 a.m.	VDM	Perfect Attendance Luncheon