



San Ysidro

School District

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QUALITY EDUCATION AND OPPORTUNITY FOR ALL STUDENTS TO SUCCEED

District Highlights

Superintendent - Gina Potter, Ed.D.
Week of December 13, 2024

SUPERINTENDENT

Gina Potter, Ed.D.

24TH ANNUAL TEDDY BEARS FOR KIDS HOLIDAY EVENT



The season of giving and the spirit of the holidays shone a special light all over San Ysidro on Friday, December 13th, during the San Ysidro Women's Club 24th Annual Teddy Bear for Kids Event!

Students had the opportunity to receive a warm and cozy teddy bear, blanket, book, and a candy cane on this magical day. By hosting this cherished holiday drive-thru event, the San Ysidro Women's Club continued its tradition of bringing joy, community support, and holiday fun to local families, making the season special for everyone. It is thanks to the incredible volunteer efforts and giving hands from the leaders of The San Ysidro Women's Club that this meaningful holiday event is made possible. We would like to thank President, Maritza G. Chavarin, Vice Presidents, Alice De La Torre, Maria Maytorena, and Velia Rico-Ornelas, Treasurer, Dr. Maria Carriedo-Ceniceros, Secretary, Gaby Gregory, Co-Chair Teddy Bears Drive, Martha Jacobo, Committee Members Betty Rojas and Magdalena Pulham, Alicia Jacobo and Family, Blanca Rodriguez, Diana Solares, Lourdes Charqueno, Beckie Lowe, the family of Grace Kojima, Memo Valdivieso, Pablo Baeza, D.J, Jordan Jacobo, Santa Claus and Gina Escamilla Mrs. Santa Claus.

A special thanks to our Board Members Irene Lopez, Zenaida Rosario, Rudy Lopez, new Board Member Kenya Peraza, and City of San Diego Councilmember Vivian Moreno for being a part of this memorable occasion. A special shout out to our Assistant Superintendent Dr. Jose Iniguez, Coordinator of Pupil Services Veronica Medina, Communications Specialist Cristina Inzunza, and Publications, Warehouse and Technical Support Andrew Macias for all their support during the planning, organizing, and fundraising of the event.

We would like to thank everyone who joined us and volunteered, including our San Ysidro School District Teachers, Administrators, Principals, who played a key role as Teddy Bear Holiday Event Ambassadors and their school teams, our Custodial Team, SYSD Gardener Ernie Marquez, SYSD Maintenance, Operation, Transportation, and Facilities Department, and our San Ysidro School District staff members for their generous support and donations.

The San Ysidro Women's Club, officially incorporated in 1937, has a rich history of dedication to education and community service in the San Ysidro area. For decades, the club has played a vital role in empowering local youth, awarding 600 college scholarships to graduates of San Ysidro High School, approximately 800 scholarships to San Ysidro School District Middle School students, and fostering a culture of higher education in the community. In addition to its scholarship program, the club brings joy to schoolchildren each holiday season by distributing approximately 1,500 teddy bears, books, blankets, and candy canes, ensuring that the spirit of giving reaches many families in our neighborhoods.

The club also recognizes academic excellence by providing \$100 incentive awards to eighth-grade students who demonstrate outstanding scholastic achievement. These initiatives reflect the club's deep commitment to education and its ongoing efforts to inspire and support the next generation of leaders.

Furthermore, the San Ysidro Women's Club has established the *Grace Kojima Endowment* at the San Diego Foundation. As of January 2025, this endowment has made remarkable strides, surpassing the \$300,000 milestone, which will continue to fund scholarships and community projects for years to come.

Through its enduring presence and proactive initiatives, the San Ysidro Women's Club has made a profound impact on the community, nurturing educational opportunities, promoting well-being, and strengthening the fabric of San Ysidro for generations.

































SUNSET ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DECORATES WITH THE SPIRIT OF THE HOLIDAYS

Sunset Elementary School decorated their hallways with the most phenomenal art displays! All thanks to our incredible Aide Eva Marquez. Thank you for bringing the holiday spirit to our Sunset familia!

Mrs. Corey Meyers
TK Teacher
San Ysidro School District





PARENTS COMPLETE THEIR ENGLISH CLASS ESL III

Parents celebrate the completion of their English Class III offered by Southwestern College at our San Ysidro School District Parent Center. We are so proud of you for all of your hard work and dedication to mastering the English language.



COLLABORATION WITH THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

On Thursday, December 12th, the District in partnership with a City project manager and engineers met to address student bus safety along bus routes.

A special thanks to our bus drivers Daniel Sandoval and Jasmin Lopez.



LEADERSHIP, EQUITY AND ACCESS FOR LANGUAGES (LEAL) CEREMONY

LEAL (Leadership, Equity and Access for Languages) - Director of Human Resources Efrain Burciaga, Director of Educational Services Luis Ramos, and our Resource Teachers attended the San Diego State University Leal Convening & Certificate Ceremony, where they had the opportunity to celebrate some of our San Ysidro staff's accomplishments. The participants presented their Action Research Projects focused on advancing the education of multilingual learners.



UPCOMING DATES

EVENT	DATE	LOCATION
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Winter Break	December 23, 2024 - January 13, 2024
Students Return from Winter Break	Tuesday, January 14, 2024
Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday	Monday, January 20, 2024

SYSD SCHOOLS WEEKLY BULLETINS

Link: <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1sKiLpBSZmxlqnhLTJTE1eF6k2kP2Rb7I>

DISTRICT JOB OPENINGS



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<https://www.edjoin.org/Home/Jobs?countyID=37&districtID=650>

