

District Highlights

Superintendent - Gina A. Potter, Ed.D. Week of December 6, 2019

SUPERINTENDENT

ORGANIZATIONAL BOARD MEETING: THURS, DECEMBER 19 @ 5PM - San Ysidro Middle School

On Thursday, December 19th beginning at 5 p.m. there will be an Organizational Board Meeting.

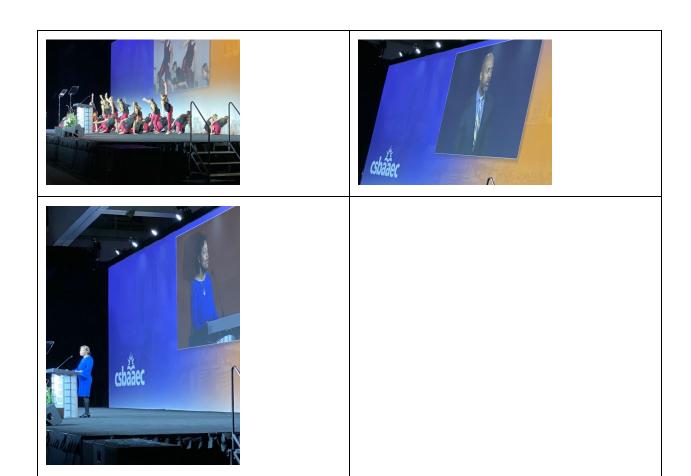
CALIFORNIA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION (CSBA) ANNUAL EDUCATION CONFERENCE (AEC): December 4th - 7th

The California School Boards Association Annual Education Conference took place the week of December 4-7, 2019 in San Diego at the San Diego Convention Center. The CSBA Annual Education Conference helps districts and county offices of education improve student learning and achievement. Superintendent Gina Potter, Board President Irene Lopez, Board Vice-President Humberto Gurmilan and Board Member Rudy Lopez attended this conference.

Photos of the CSBA AEC 2019:







CONGRATULATIONS TO VERONICA MEDINA, STUDENT & FAMILY SERVICES MANAGER, FOR BEING SELECTED TO CO-PRESENT AT THIS YEAR'S CALIFORNIA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION (CSBA) ANNUAL EDUCATION CONFERENCE (AEC) 2019

With nearly 275,000 of K-12 students experiencing homelessness in California, districts need innovative and effective strategies for identifying which students are eligible for services and meeting their needs. In San Ysidro School District in San Diego, nearly 1 in 3 students is homeless. As Student and Family Services Manager, Veronica Medina has worked with her administrators and Board to help the district build a coalition of 40+ partner agencies to provide homeless students with everything from free uniforms and backpacks to transportation costs and tutoring. Medina draws on her expertise and personal experience as a former homeless student to support San Ysidro's students.

Each presenter shared their local efforts and recommendations with attendees.



CALIFORNIA COLLABORATIVE FOR EDUCATION EXCELLENCE (CCEE) Sacramento, CA

On Wednesday, December 4, Dr. Potter attended the California Collaborative for Education Excellence meeting in Sacramento as the alternate for Chula Vista Elementary School Distict Superintendent Dr. Francisco Escobedo. Here is a brief summary of CCEE from their website:

About the CCEE

The California Collaborative for Educational Excellence (CCEE) is a new and different kind of statewide agency designed to help deliver on California's promise of a quality, equitable education for every student.

Our agency does this by working collaboratively with other state agencies, partner agencies, county offices of education (COEs), and stakeholders so we — as a collective group — can tackle challenges as a team.

Designed to "advise and assist," we do not carry out compliance or accountability functions. Rather, we serve as strategic thought partners working alongside educators to listen, identify goals and needs, promote innovative thinking, and jointly solve problems.

We serve a critical role in strengthening and growing California's innovative System of Support, a component of the state's new school accountability system whose guiding principles include local control and continuous improvement.

HEARTS & HANDS

Hearts & Hands provided the following special recognition awards to the district office. Hearts & Hands thanked our district for our partnership and continuous contribution, support to our San Ysidro community.





SCHOOL NEWS

SCHOOL CALENDARS AND/OR NEWSLETTERS TO PARENTS

All school principals are commended for communicating with families via a school newsletter. Below are links to the school newsletters published this week.

SCHOOL	SCHOOL CALENDARS AND/OR NEWSLETTERS		
La Mirada	Monthly - December 2019 Calendar		
Ocean View Hills	Monthly - December 2019 Calendar https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B4_Wiy0SKQV cdVZQanFwYUZxenZ1MlQzMzZhcVA1VU9zY 1VB/view?usp=sharing Winter Spirit Week Activities (Dec. 16th-20th) https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B4_Wiy0SKQV cd3k5YkYwVXRZaS1zSGQwSWVLZ0tsQlk1T mtZ/view?usp=sharing		
Smythe	Monthly - December 2019 Calendar https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B4_Wiy0SKQV cb1ltUVZhM2VnYmUzU05ZRVIUOXRaUV9lb Wo0/view?usp=sharing		
Sunset	Monthly - December 2019 Calendar https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B4_Wiy0SKQV ccEtVMWYxdDJENkh1d2RyV3JZWFhxbUprc 0E4/view?usp=sharing		

San Ysidro Middle	Monthly - December 2019 Calendar https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B4_Wiy0SKQV cZEhldlNwalNhZVdaZDhNcVVfQ2ttbnhhNlhF/ view?usp=sharing	
Vista Del Mar Middle	Monthly - December 2019 Calendar https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B4_Wiy0SKQV cZDFuSklNQU1oVnBub216a2NKWXdWQXJy RGtn/view?usp=sharing	
Willow	Monthly - December 2019 Calendar https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B4_Wiy0SKQV cWDQtRXpSMVVtR0NLVjVjZU9pTzhyMlBYa DAw/view?usp=sharing	
Preschool	 Monthly - December 2019 -Calendar https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B4_Wiy0SKQV cblhvdF9QN3l1ODd5RmpGM19nLVM4SVNK Zjhv/view?usp=sharing Monthly - December 2019 - Newsletter https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B4_Wiy0SKQV cQ05iVVIySk1tNnozdWxwajJ1bUJ1anJCNXV F/view?usp=sharing Weekly Newsletter for the Week of December 2, 2019 https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B4_Wiy0SKQV ccWtFZGxBZVduVTNkOHZqMFIMd1IGMGRU LWFz/view?usp=sharing 	

Department Visit

Child Nutrition Services 12-3-19

COMMENDATIONS

- The child nutrition department is commended for creating flavorful entrees using commodities and USDA products.
- The operational flow of the child nutrition department is interconnected from inventory, meal planning, recipe development, product distribution to production and meal service.

SPOTLIGHT

- The child nutrition department staff is spotlighted for genuinely caring for the students and their well-being.
 - Staff exuded kind and caring warmth towards the students.
- The Director of Child Nutrition Evelyn Zarzosa and her team are spotlighted for the many progressive and culturally minded meal options and production features they have implemented this school year.
- La Mirada nutrition staff is commended for their holiday decorations which made the cafeteria so festive and happy for the students along with their exceptional meal service program.

PHOTOS



















EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

PROJECT DREAM - 2019 BLANKET DRIVE

Our district will be collecting blankets from November 12 through January 13 for our families. Social media posting as well as Constant Contact message will go out to community agencies. The flier was posted on Peachjar.

Link to the Project Dream - 2019 Blanket Drive - Flyer: https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B4_Wiy0SKQVcdjd3Z0JjMGVraGFBeWdtaDlscmU1S0xKNk9r/view?usp=sharing

BUSINESS SERVICES

BOND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE

Please see link below to access the BOC meeting schedule:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B4_Wiy0SKQVcQXVLeFZYcXRYSDh5WHJLSm50NG51MlQtdHpv/view?usp=sharing

UPCOMING EVENTS

SAN YSIDRO WOMEN'S CLUB - TEDDY BEARS FOR KIDS

Former Superintendent Grace Kojima, former Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources Alice De La Torre, and a retired SYSD teacher of 39 years, Martha Jacobo, are leading the San Ysidro Women's Club 18th Annual Teddy Bear Drive! The event this year will be held on **Friday, December 13th from 5-8pm at SYMS MCC!**

Please click here to access event flyer:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1J4d0h3Z6tRBSkcM9FdZZDhR07d_-JiFT/view?usp=sharing

LOOKING AHEAD (by Monica Yrineo & Miguel Ortega)

Below is a chart of upcoming dates and events.

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
12-10-19	6:00 p.m.	SYMS	Winter Concert
12-12-19	8:30 a.m.	Sunset	Code To The Future Showcase
12-17-19	8:30 a.m.	Smythe School	Coffee with the Principal
12-17-19	8:30 a.m.	OVHS	Coffee with the Principal
12-18-19	TK/K/1st - 8:30-9:30 a.m. 2nd/3rd - 9:30 -10:30 a.m. 4th/5th/6th -1:30-2:30 p.m.	Smythe School	Winter Program
12-18-19	1:00 p.m.	Sunset School	Winter Program
12-19-19	9:00 a.m.	VDM	Coffee with the Principal