



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 February 2, 2024



SUPERINTENDENT

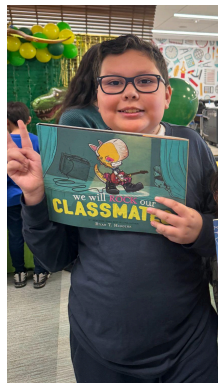
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JOY FOR EDUCATION DONATES BOOKS FOR STUDENTS AND TEACHERS AT LA MIRADA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Talk about a joyous day brought to us by The Joy for Education Committee! The San Ysidro Education Collaborative chose La Mirada Elementary School as the recipient of a wonderful book donation for all of our students. They also presented all teachers with a book for their classroom libraries. We would like to thank Joy for Education Committee Leader Elaine Sinsuan, her team of volunteers, and Alice de la Torre for their generous contribution to our school.

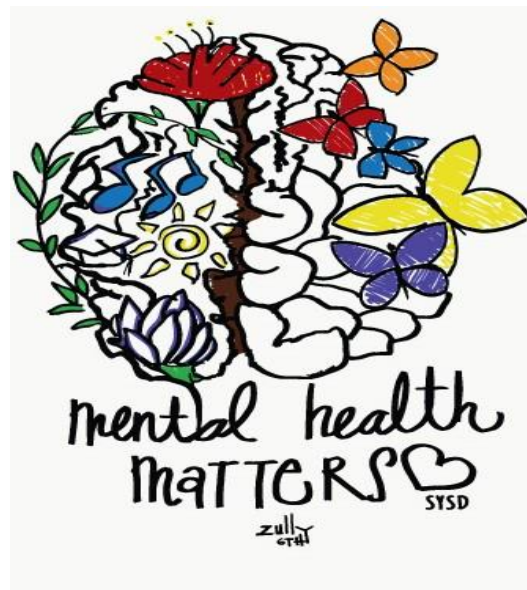






MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH T-SHIRT LOGO CONTEST

In preparation for Mental Health Awareness Month, which takes place in May, we would like to invite all students in 2nd through 8th grade to participate in our annual T-shirt logo design contest! The winning logo will be printed on shirts that will be ordered for all staff. Each school's social worker or school based therapist will be leading the contest. The entry forms are linked here in [English](#) and [Spanish](#). Last year's winning logo is attached below for your reference.



SUNSET ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN STUDENT LITERARY ANTHOLOGY

San Ysidro School District students continue to share their beautiful artwork with us! The San Ysidro School District Student Literary Anthology is a book in the works that will feature our talented students' writing and art work. It is intended to highlight our students' creativity and love for storytelling. Another one of the goals of this project is to show students that their stories are valuable and important as individuals and in a society. A very special thank you to Pablo Sainz for leading this wonderful effort to reignite the publishing of student writing and art work in our district!

The Best Part of Me



The best part of me is my hands. First, they help me write, play games, grab my phone, and hug my family. Also, my hands help me type on my computer, open doors for people, and even help me to not fall. With my hands I can give things to people and I can swim better. In addition, my hands also help me celebrate during football games, they help hold my reading books, and throw things. My hands help me do many things like eat and comb my hair. That's why my hands are the best part of me.

Max Sarabia- Mrs. Marking's 5th Grade Class- Sunset



Things I like About My School

The school that I go to is called Sunset Elementary. One of the things that I like about my school is how nice my Principal is, because he always greets me with a smile. When I go to lunch the Supervisors are so nice. They take care of us and make sure we are safe.

Our teacher's name is Mr. Vargas. Our teacher has many books for our class. The books I like the most are Dork Diaries and A Series of Unfortunate Events. My teacher gives us tickets when we are good and we have a raffle for prizes. I also enjoy going to the library and being my teacher's helper. Sunset is a fun school!

Kaylani Royal-Mr. Vargas' 2nd Grade Class-Sunset

The Most Special Person in My Life



My Abuelita Nena was my great grandmother, she was the sweetest person I ever knew. Abuelita Nena was very kind and she always played with us. She died when I was six years old, she died because she was very old, and she was 96 years old. When we lived in Tijuana, we always used to go to her house ALL the time. When she died I was scared because she was buried on the ground and everyone was praying for her.

Everyone was feeling sad, I didn't understand what was happening. I was very sad until I grew older and then I thought that she wouldn't be happy that I was sad. I froze for a moment and then thought that I should be happy, because she is now in a good place. I will always remember her as a special person in my life.

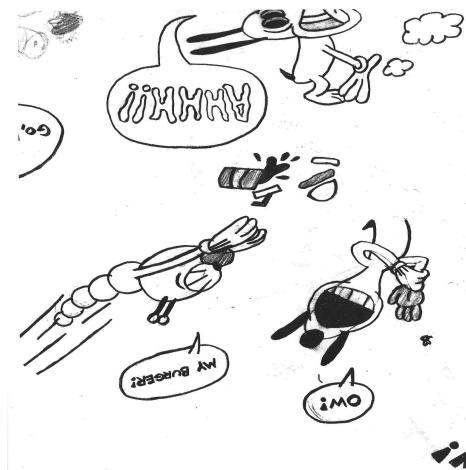
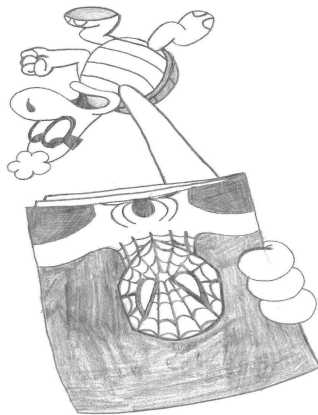
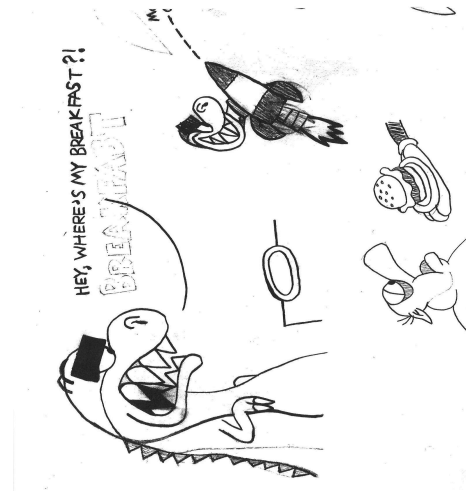
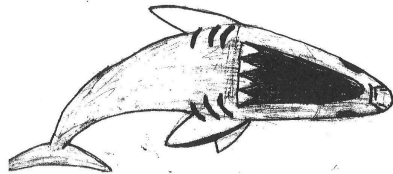
Emely Plascencia- Mr. Garcia's 4th Grade Class- Sunset



Rosa Parks

Yo pienso que Rosa Parks fue valiente y luchó contra la injusticia. Ella estaba en lo correcto de no permitir que los blancos mandaran a todos. Rosa Parks fue una gran mujer. Ella fue muy valiente al decirle al señor blanco que no se iba a quitar del asiento. Yo pienso que Rosa es una gran líder y ayudó a los cambios.

Kassandra Valles Quevedo-Mrs. Garcia's 2nd Grade Class- Sunset



UPCOMING DATES

EVENT	DATE/TIME	WHO
Lincoln Day - Legal Holiday	Friday, February 16th, 2024	All Schools Closed
Washington Day - Legal Holiday	Monday, February 19th, 2024	All Schools Closed
Spring Break	Monday, March 18th- Friday, March 29th, 2024.	All Schools Closed
Cesar Chavez - Observed and Local Holidays	Thursday, March 28th and Friday, March 29th	All Schools Closed

SAN YSIDRO SCHOOL DISTRICT SPRING 2024 OPEN HOUSE SCHEDULE



School (Please add in chronological order)	Date	Time/Schedule/Location
Ocean View Hills Preschool	Thursday, February 15, 2024	3:15 - 5:15 p.m.
Ocean View Hills Elementary	Thursday, February 15, 2024	3:15-3:45 p.m.: Principal's Message 3:00-4:45 p.m.: Resource Fair 4:00-5:00 p.m.: Classroom Visits 5:00 p.m.: Carnival at the Park
Smythe's Preschool & Child Development Center (CDC)	Wednesday, February 21, 2024	3:30-5:30 p.m.

Smythe Elementary	Tuesday, February 27, 2024	3:30-5:30 p.m.
San Ysidro Middle School	Wednesday, February 28, 2024	4:00-4:30 p.m. Administration Presentation 4:30-6:30pm Career Day & Classroom Visits
Willow Elementary	Wednesday, February 28, 2024	4:00-4:30 p.m. Administration Presentation 4:30-6:30 p.m. Classroom Visits
Sunset Preschool	Thursday, February 29, 2024	3:30 - 5:30 p.m.
Sunset Elementary	Thursday, February 29, 2024 3:15-5:15 pm	3:15-5:15 p.m. Administration presentation will be first and then classroom visits
La Mirada Elementary School	February 29, 2024	3:30-5:00 p.m.
Vista Del Mar Middle School	New Date: Thursday, March 7, 2024	4:00-4:25 p.m.: Administration Presentation MPR 4:30-5:30 p.m.: 6th, 7th & 8th grade classroom visits

DELAC MEETING CALENDAR
CALENDARIO DE JUNTAS DE DELAC
2023- 2024
9:00 A.M. - 10:00 A.M.

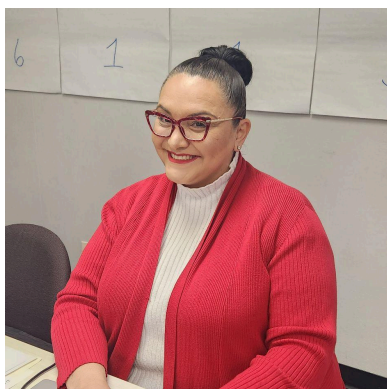
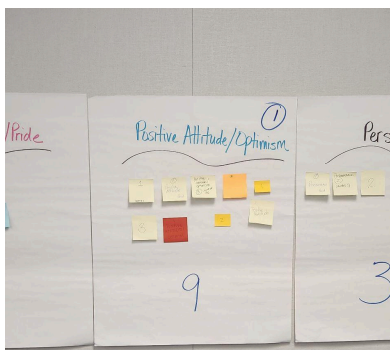
DISTRICT CONTACT / CONTACTOS EN EL DISTRITO: (619) 428-4476
MARIA C. RODRIGUEZ X3070 – MARTA RODRIGUEZ X3082

MEETING - LOCATION JUNTA - LUGAR	DATE FECHA
DELAC – SYSD BOARD ROOM DELAC – SYSD SALÓN DE JUNTAS	FEBRUARY 15, 2024 15 DE FEBRERO DEL 2024
DELAC – SYSD BOARD ROOM DELAC – SYSD SALÓN DE JUNTAS	MARCH 13, 2024 13 DE MARZO DEL 2024

DELAC– SYSD BOARD ROOM DELAC– SYSD SALÓN DE JUNTAS	APRIL 9, 2024 9 DE ABRIL DEL 2024
DELAC – SYSD BOARD ROOM DELAC – SYSD SALÓN DE JUNTAS	MAY 9, 2024 9 DE MAYO 2024

SAN YSIDRO SCHOOL DISTRICT MULTILINGUAL ENGLISH LEARNER TASK FORCE

Our Multilingual English Learner Task Force met this week for the very first time to revise and update the plan for our English Learners. Together we were able to identify our mission and vision for our students, families, and the community. The Dual Immersion task force will be an integral part of this work as we work to refine and expand our Dual Language instructional program. The next Multilingual English Learner task force will take place Friday, February 9th.



SAN YSIDRO SCHOOL DISTRICT TEACHERS PARTICIPATE IN PROJECT LEAL AT SDSU

Project LEAL is in partnership with San Diego State University Global Campus, San Diego County Office of Education Multilingual Education and Global Achievement, and WestEd to provide in-service teachers with instructional approaches and tools that are specifically sensitive to the language demands of multilingual learners and will help generate much-needed leadership in this important area across the San Diego and Imperial Valley regions.

Project LEAL currently partners with four local education agencies: our San Ysidro School District, Calexico Unified School District, San Diego Unified School District and Chula Vista Learning Community Charter School.

LEAL offers professional learning to elevate teachers' knowledge, dispositions, and skills emphasizing their contributions to policymaking at their schools and districts through equity and global perspectives.

"Equity leadership requires that kind of commitment, courage, and self-selection from all of us. It requires us to imagine equitable spaces and ideas that we have not seen in practice. To do this leaders need a bold vision, significant knowledge and skills, and collaboration with many people (Freire et al., 2024). - The Handbook of Dual Language Bilingual Education"



ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (ESL) CLASSES FOR PARENTS

Our parent English learner classes offered by Southwestern College have begun! Registration assistance is provided by Southwestern Community College in the Chula Vista and San Ysidro campuses. Our Communications Specialist Cristina Inzunza is also helping parents who come to our district office. Classes are currently being held on Mondays and Wednesdays at our San Ysidro School District Office Parent Resource Center and Tuesdays and Thursdays at Willow Elementary School.



CLASES DE INGLÉS PARA PADRES

El Distrito Escolar de San Ysidro en colaboración con Southwestern College Depto. ESL ofrecen clases gratuitas en inglés para padres.

¡Comienzan el 29 de enero!

¡LAS CLASES SON EN PERSONA!

ESL II comienza el 29 de enero
Lunes y Miércoles de 9:00 a.m. a 11:20 a.m.
District Parent Center, 4350 Otay Mesa Road,
San Ysidro, CA 92173

ESL I comienza el 30 de enero
Martes y Jueves de 9:00 a.m. a 11:20 a.m.
Willow Elementary School, 226 Willow Rd,
San Diego, CA 92173

ESL II comienza el 15 de abril
Lunes y Miércoles de 9:00 a.m. a 11:20 a.m.
Willow Elementary School, 226 Willow Rd,
San Diego, CA 92173

ESL I comienza el 15 de abril
Lunes y Miércoles de 9:00 a.m. a 11:20 a.m.
Smythe Elementary School, 1880 Smythe Ave,
San Ysidro, CA 92173

ESL III comienza el 16 de abril
Martes y Jueves de 9:00 a.m. a 11:20 a.m.
District Parent Center, 4350 Otay Mesa Road,
San Ysidro, CA 92173

**¡ESPACIO LIMITADO!
REGÍSTRESE EN LÍNEA:**

<https://www.openccapply.net>

En Persona: Southwestern College Chula Vista
900 Otay Lakes Road, Chula Vista o en Southwestern
College de San Ysidro, 460 W San Ysidro Blvd, San Ysidro.



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DISTRICT JOB OPENINGS



Please click on the link to access our current district job openings:

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