

# **District Highlights**

Superintendent - Gina A. Potter, Ed.D. Week of February 28, 2020

### SUPERINTENDENT

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING:** Thurs., March 12th @ 5pm - Smythe Elementary School On Thursday, March 12th beginning at 5 p.m. there will be a Regular Board Meeting.

**READ ACROSS AMERICA:** March 2nd - 6th

Many of our schools will be celebrating Read Across America this coming week.

#### RAMON PARRA LIBRARY DEDICATION CEREMONY

On Friday, February 28, 2020, the community gathered at Willow Elementary and honored Ramon N. Parra for all his love, dedication and contribution to the San Ysidro community by naming the Willow Elementary school library after him. A sincere thank you to our elected officials who attended and recognized Ramon Parra: Senator Ben Hueso and City Councilmember Vivian Morena. We also thank Stephanie Allen from Assemblymember Lorena Gonzalez' office and Lucero Chavez from Congressman Juan Vargas' office for attending.

Please click on the link to view the flyer along with event details. https://drive.google.com/file/d/19Q8kRyql6d1eHNozv8zGh5Ax9lOw5P4Z/view?usp=sharing

Please click on the link to view the Ramon N. Parra Program: <a href="https://drive.google.com/file/d/1MydaniLqlpikb1-3-kS0N6HW4Kd6X6sx/view?usp=sharing">https://drive.google.com/file/d/1MydaniLqlpikb1-3-kS0N6HW4Kd6X6sx/view?usp=sharing</a>

#### ABC News 10 Pre-event broadcast:

- San Ysidro School library renamed to honor Ramon Parra
  - https://www.10news.com/news/local-news/san-diego-news/san-ysidro-school-library-renamed-to-honor-ramon-parra

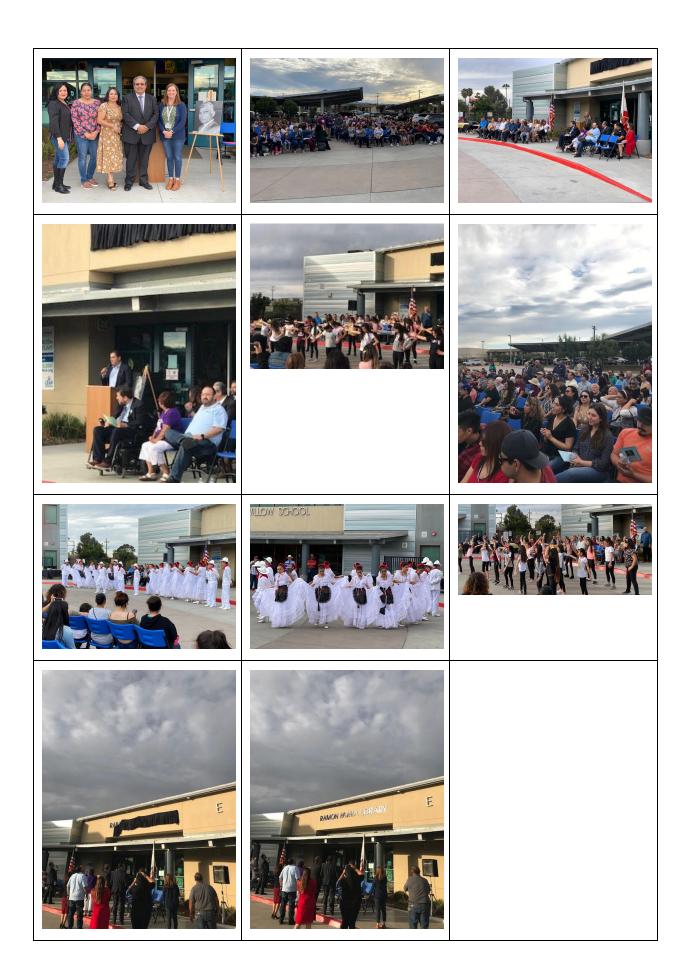












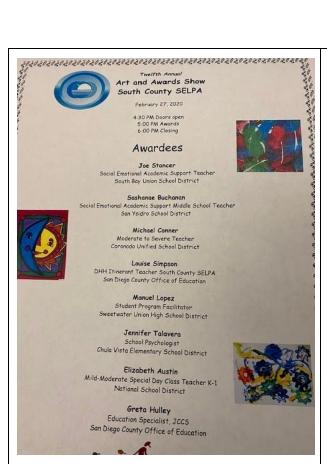
# 12TH ANNUAL ART & AWARDS SHOW - SOUTH COUNTY SPECIAL EDUCATION LOCAL PLAN AREA (SELPA)

On Thursday, February 27, 2020, South County SELPA held their 12th Annual Art & Awards Show at the South County Regional Education Center (SCREC). The theme for all entries was "Everyone Deserves a Medal" and the categories were: poetry, essay, photography, visual arts, musical score, and class performance.

Congratulations to our very own Sashanae Buchanan, San Ysidro Middle School Teacher, for being one of the eight recipients to receive recognition at the event. She received recognition for being an outstanding social & emotional academic support middle school teacher.

A very special thank you to South County SELPA Director, Russell Coronado, and Community Advisory Committee for planning and coordinating this event. A very special thank you to all district staff that attended the event: Superintendent, Dr. Gina Potter, San Ysidro Middle School Principal - Maria Connie Rodriguez, San Ysidro Middle School Assistant Principal - Maria Preciado, Director of Special Education - Oscar Madera, Program & Pupil Services Special - Kathleen Cordero, Lead School Psychologist - Denise Villezcas, and Lead School Psychologist - Rick Quintana.











#### CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY (CSU) COMMUNITY GROUP DISCUSSION

Chula Vista Mayor Salas provided the following information:

The California Legislature has directed the Office of the Chancellor of California State University (CSU), in consultation with the Department of Finance, to commission an independent analysis of long-range CSU enrollment, future workforce needs, and CSU campus capacity, as an objective basis for determining if changes to the current CSU campus facilities may be required. The analysis includes a focus on five cities or counties: Chula Vista, Concord, Palm Desert, San Joaquin County (Stockton), and San Mateo County.

On Tuesday, February 25, 2020, Coordinator of Public Relations & Community Services, Francisco Mata, and Coordinator of Community Schools & Expanding Learning Programs, Omar Calleros, served as Superintendent Potter's proxies to participate in the structured roundtable meeting. Roundtable meeting participants discussed key issues relevant to the

analysis of future CSU considerations, including the following: 1) the local and regional educational and workforce development ecosystems; 2) the socio-economic context of current and/or potential future CSU students and their families; 3) the regional economy; and 4) the available physical sites and infrastructure suitable for CSU facilities.







Please click on the link to see the Channel 10 News article titled - Chula Vista on shortlist for potential California State University campus:

https://www.10news.com/news/local-news/south-bay-news/chula-vista-on-shortlist-for-potential-california-state-university-campus

#### **CAJON VALLEY USD WORLD OF WORK (WOW) SCHOOL VISITS**

On Thursday, February 27, 2020, Superintendent Potter, Executive Director of Curriculum, Instruction & Innovation - Manuela Colom, Coordinator of Public Relations & Community Services - Francisco Mata, Coordinator of Community Schools & Expanded Learning Programs - Omar Calleros, Director of Education Technology - Todd Lewis, San Ysidro Middle School Principal - Maria Connie Rodriguez and San Ysidro Middle School Teacher - Emily Kurtz toured the Cajon Valley Union School District World of Work (WOW) program model.

Below is description of the World of Work (WOW) program model:

The World of Work program is designed to help students find career paths that suit them while they are young. Oftentimes in education, many fantastic careers go undiscovered by students, but the World of Work fixes that. Not only does the World of Work open the door for students to explore many fascinating careers, but it also gives teachers the tools they need to identify which types of careers each student will naturally be best at. Whether that is a dog groomer, a park ranger, a carpenter, or a graphic designer, the World of Work can connect students to those opportunities.

Please click on the links for additional World of Work (WOW) informational resources:

What is the World of Work?: Video: http://bit.ly/WOWbyMediaArts

Teacher Testimonial Video: <a href="http://bit.ly/BeckyFriarWoW">http://bit.ly/BeckyFriarWoW</a>

KPBS News Article, Using Technology to Scale Business Integration: http://bit.ly/KPBSandCVWOW and Video: https://youtu.be/moAo8b9WIQQ

Scaling Business Integration Video: http://bit.ly/CVUSDPartnersCompilation

A very special thank you to the Director of Community and Workforce Partnerships - Grossmont-Cuyamaca Community College District, Cynthia Nagura for coordinating this event for our district. Also we extend our gratitude to Superintendent Dr. David Miyashiro and Cajon

Valley Union School District staff for hosting our district to learn more about the World of Work (WOW) program.









# **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 - February 2020 Calendar https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B4_Wiy0SKQV cVHNRckpYb2dWMHBfNXltb1ZhcUw1dW5Oe Ho4/view?usp=sharing
Ocean View Hills	Monthly - February 2020 Calendar https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B4_Wiy0SKQV cajlxZVczOC14SDFRODB0X2ICZXpReIFDeT hj/view?usp=sharing

Smythe	Monthly - February 2020 Calendar https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B4_Wiy0SKQV cUXZhTEFzdDNIdC1PUndMV1c3NnI2NHISa E5n/view?usp=sharing
Sunset	Monthly - February 2020 Calendar https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B4_Wiy0SKQV cbnVKd3J4NGZsYVFrTkZpXzk4VzRZS0JMZn JN/view?usp=sharing
San Ysidro Middle	Monthly - February 2020 Calendar https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B4_Wiy0SKQV ccGNNczl6SDJVSnE0Y2JMYXhMU0RDUEdF UDVF/view?usp=sharing
Vista Del Mar Middle	Monthly - February 2020 Calendar https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B4_Wiy0SKQV cV0E2VUgzZEhqY19URDhoaTVEVXpFdklQc VJN/view?usp=sharing
Willow	Monthly - February 2020 Calendar https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B4_Wiy0SKQV cbkc5a2VGYnV0X1VVSjMzRVh4eDV6d3FIU1 84/view?usp=sharing
Preschool	Monthly - February 2020 Calendar https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B4_Wiy0SKQV cc1dxYkZLOUdjbWR1LUduM2I6S3EzUDVTO GVn/view?usp=sharing Monthly - February 2020 - Newsletter https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B4_Wiy0SKQV ccGQzZIVIMVVtNEdtUmllbGdTdVlfd293dTJz/ view?usp=sharing

# **EDUCATIONAL SERVICES**

#### **SMYTHE STUDENTS ATTEND 6TH GRADE CAMP**

6th grade students from Smythe attended 6th grade camp this week. The San Diego County Office of Education outdoor 6th grade camp website shares: "The 6th grade camp curriculum incorporates trail experiences and citizen scientist projects to create hands-on learning that is meaningful, memorable, and fun. For many students, the week long, overnight experience transforms how they feel about science and themselves as learners."



## **BUSINESS SERVICES**

#### **BUDGET COMMUNITY FORUMS - BOARD SPECIAL MEETINGS**

The District hosted two Budget Community Forums on January 29th (@ the District Office Board Room) and February 26th @ Ocean View Hills.Below is the link to the Budget Community Forum Presentation by CBO Marilyn Adrianzen. Thank you!

#### Please click on link to view the 2019-2020 Budget Community Forum #2 PowerPoint:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1wX09oHJjnalgSqvjgaWAgvluy43eRV6j/view?usp=sharing





#### SCHOOL POLLING SITES FOR MARCH ELECTION

The polling sites for the March 3, 2020 election are SYMS, VDM, and Willow: TIME: 6:00 AM TO 9:30 PM.

### **NEWS & COMMUNITY RELATIONS**

#### **MEDIA UPDATE**

Below is a list of recent news article/s:

- San Ysidro School library renamed to honor Ramon Parra
  - https://www.10news.com/news/local-news/san-diego-news/san-ysidro-school-library-renamed-to-honor-ramon-parra
- 10 News: Tips on how to prevent catching, spreading coronavirus
  - https://www.10news.com/news/national/tips-on-how-to-prevent-catching-spreading-coronavirus
- USA Today: Could a coronavirus pandemic be stopped? US warns of 'severe' disruptions
  - https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/nation/2020/02/25/coronavirus-pandemic-can-outbreak-still-be-stopped/4865934002/
- 10 News: San Diego County now able to test for coronavirus
  - https://www.10news.com/news/local-news/san-diego-county-now-able-to-test-for-coronavirus

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### **LOOKING AHEAD**

Below is a chart of upcoming dates and events.

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
Wednesday, March 4, 2020	8:30 a.m.	Willow	Coffee with the Principal
Thursday, March 5, 2020	8:30 a.m.	Sunset	Coffee with the Principal
Friday, March 6, 2020	10:15-11 a.m K 11:00-11:45 am- 3rd-6th 12:30 -1:15 pm - 1st &2nd	Sunset	Read Across America
Tuesday, March 10, 2020	8:30 a.m.	Smythe	Coffee with the Principal