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District Highlights

Week of February 4, 2022



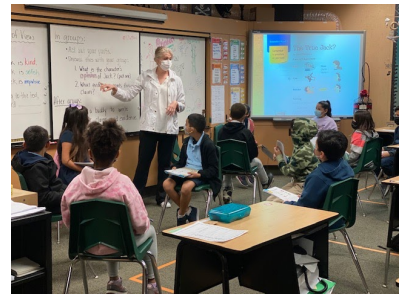
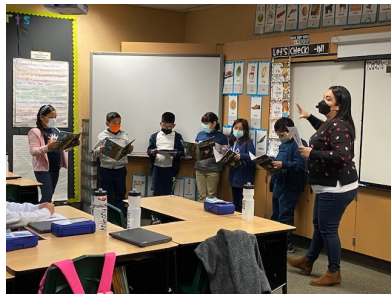
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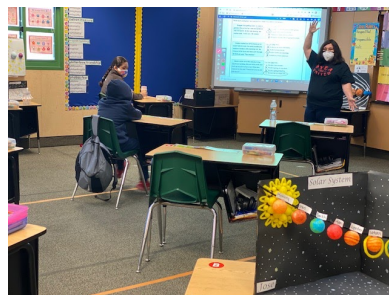
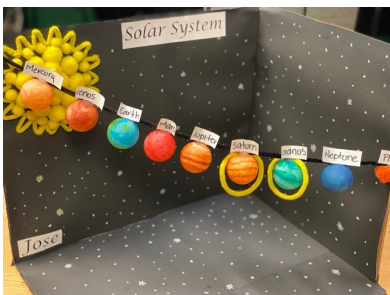
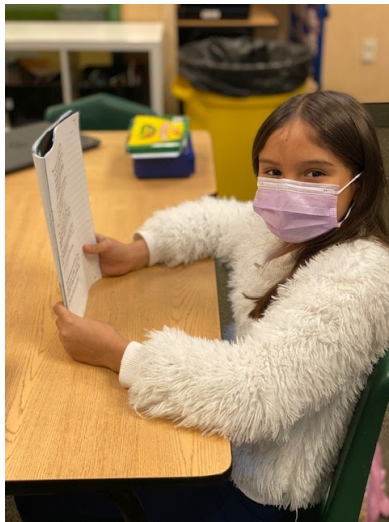
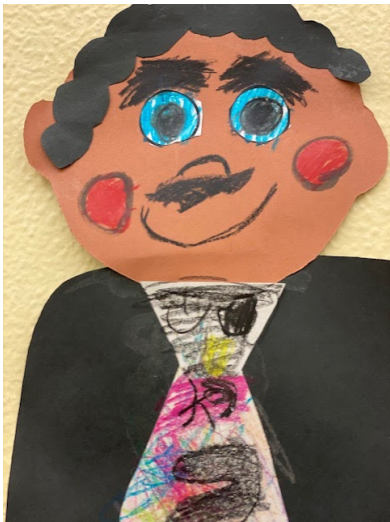
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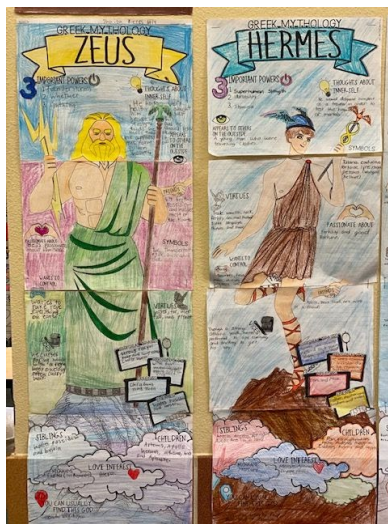
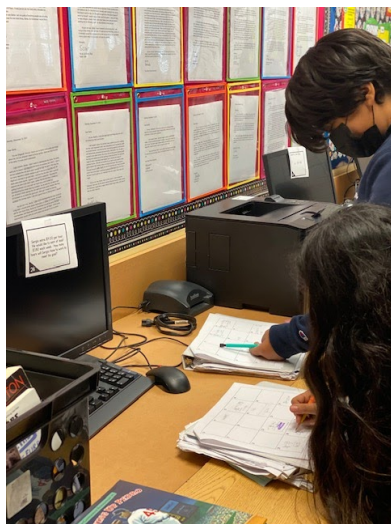
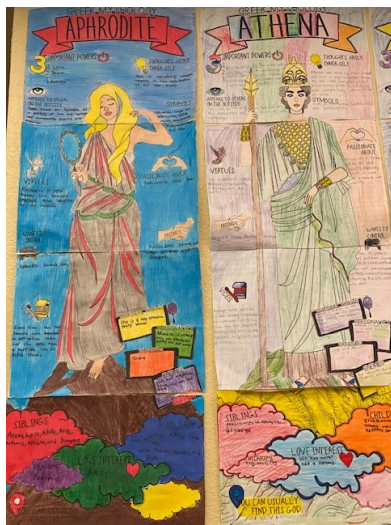
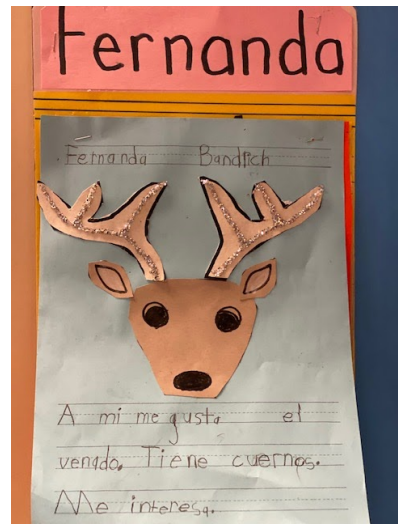
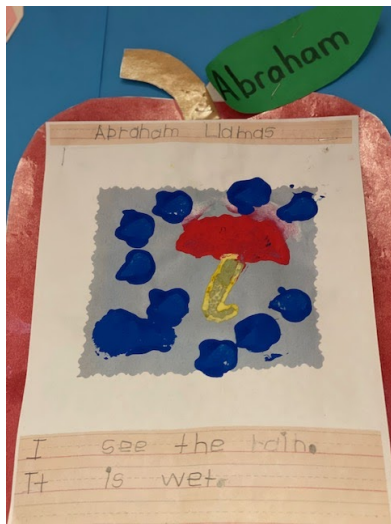
SUNSET SCHOOL VISIT

On Friday, February 4th Board President Rudy Lopez, Superintendent Dr. Gina Potter, and Assistant Superintendent Dr. David Farkas had a great school visit at Sunset Elementary. They were hosted by Principal Efrain Burciaga who provided a detailed school tour and facilitated classroom visits. Overall, Sunset Elementary is commended for having several strong instructional programs that support student success.

PHOTO HIGHLIGHTS







Monday, December 13, 2021

Dear Santa,

It's me, the Grinch. I know you have heard rumors about my bad attitude and that I don't like Christmas, but just to tell you the Who's are just lying. And just to let you know, I was the one who stole the Who's Christmas and I am telling you before the Who's tell you. Everybody thinks I am the villain of the story, but before you tell me anything you need to hear my version of the story.

I can explain Santa. I know that you think I am a villain but that is not true. The reason I took Christmas from the Who's was because I wanted to decorate my house to invite the Who's for a Christmas celebration. Because it is cold in winter time, I wanted them to stay warm and be calm. And I also didn't have enough money to buy the decorations because I was saving up for the food. That is why you should give me a second chance by taking me off the naughty list this Christmas.

As you can see Santa, I never wanted to hurt the Whoville or any of the families. If I could ask one more thing, it would be a new alarm for my bedroom and a lot of presents to give to all the Whoville families.

Sincerely,
Grinch
 The Grinch
 (Alessa Trejo)



SCHOOL VIRTUAL OPEN HOUSE SCHEDULE

School	Day	Date	Time
Ocean View Hills Preschool	Tuesday	February 15, 2022	4:00-5:00 p.m.
Willow Elementary	Tuesday	February 15, 2022	4:00-5:30 pm
Preschool & Child Development Center (CDC)	Thursday	February 24, 2022	4:00-5:00 p.m.
Vista Del Mar Middle	Thursday	February 24, 2022	4:00-5:30 pm
Smythe Elementary	Tuesday	March 1, 2022	4:00-5:30 PM
Sunset Preschool	Thursday	March 2, 2022	4:00-5:00 p.m.
Sunset Elementary	Thursday	March 3, 2022	4:00-5:00 p.m.
Ocean View Hills Elementary	Tuesday	March 8, 2022	4:00-5:30 p.m.

La Mirada Elementary	Tuesday	March 8, 2022	3:30-4:30
San Ysidro Middle School	Thursday	March 17,2022	4:00-5:30 p.m.

NEXT GENERATION SCIENCE STANDARDS(NGSS) CURRICULUM PILOT UPDATE

The NGSS are the K-12 science content standards, which set the expectations for what students should know and be able to do. The implementation of these standards should teach students to think like scientists and engineers. It is a much more hands on approach to learning.

This process began in the spring of last school year, when our Curriculum Advisory Group (CAG) and our Science Pilot Committees (GR K - 5 & GR 6 - 8) took a deep dive into the NGSS standards through a professional learning opportunity. After these initial learning opportunities our committees were able to review state approved NGSS aligned materials using a high level evaluation process. At the end of this process, our committees settled on 2 sets of curriculum to pilot with their students.

The teams have begun to pilot their first set of materials and so far the feedback has been positive in terms of the standards alignment and student engagement level. We will engage in this pilot for the rest of this school year and a portion of next year. Our goal is to be able to recommend materials to the board for adoption by late fall.

Please enjoy the pictures below of some of our young scientists at work. We have featured 4th graders observing the external and internal structures of a squid, as well as Kindergarten students studying living organisms by observing a live Bess Beetle.





UPCOMING DATES

Event	Day/Date	Time	Location
Lincoln's Birthday Holiday	Friday, Feb 18th		District Office & Schools Closed
Presidents' Day	Monday, Feb 21st		District Office & Schools Closed
Spring Break	Monday, March 21st through Monday, April 4th		Schools Closed
Students Return	Tuesday, April 5th		All Schools

BORDER VIEW FAMILY YMCA

Board President Rudy Lopez will continue to serve on the Board View Board of Advisors. The Board View Family YMCA Board of Advisors ensures the long-term success of the Mission Valley YMCA through regular attendance and participation in Board meetings; helps meet annual budget goals through personal contributions and effective fundraising; actively supports projects, programs, and an environment at the YMCA that encourages excellence, respect and a positive impact on area families; and promotes the YMCA's work to the community at large and recruit others to support its mission.

Border View YMCA has a new Executive Director: Laura Humphreys.

SUCCESSFUL COVID VACCINATION CLINIC AT SAN YSIDRO MIDDLE SCHOOL - NEXT VACCINATION CLINIC IS MARCH 12TH & INCLUDES FLU SHOTS

On Saturday, February 5th San Ysidro School District and Color Health partnered to vaccinate about 117 San Ysidro community adults and children. A sincere “thank you” to all the volunteers from SYMS and the District including Board President Rudy Lopez, Superintendent Dr. Gina Potter and Assistant Superintendent Dr. David Farkas who helped make this vaccination clinic a success. A big “thank you” to County Supervisor Nora Vargas and her Chief of Staff Denise Garcia and Chief Nursing Officer at County of San Diego Dr. Denise Foster for helping secure additional vaccines for our clinic.

San Ysidro School District and Color Health will again partner to bring another COVID-19 vaccine clinic on **March 12th from 10am-4pm** at San Ysidro Middle School located at 4345 Otay Mesa Rd. San Ysidro CA. The Pfizer vaccine will be offered to both children 5+ and adults as well as flu shots. Walk-ins are welcome but appointments are highly encouraged as that will ensure you get seen. Please schedule your appointment here: <https://home.color.com/vaccine/register/sanysidrovax>. The COVID vaccine is safe, effective, 100% free, and is the best way you can help protect your family and community. If you have questions about the vaccine, please visit <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/index.html>

Please click on the links below to access additional information:

[Vaccination Site Posters \(English/Spanish\)](#)

[School COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic FAQ](#)



FREE COVID AT-HOME TESTS AVAILABLE THROUGH US GOVERNMENT

The US government will provide each household 4 free home tests. Tests will be delivered to your home.

To order your tests:

Call 1-800-232-0233. (English, Spanish & 150 other languages) OR

Click here: [COVIDtests.gov](https://www.covidtests.gov)

PRUEBAS CASERAS GRATUITAS DE COVID DISPONIBLES A TRAVÉS DEL GOBIERNO DE EE. UU.

El gobierno de los EE. UU. proporcionará a cada hogar 4 pruebas caseras gratuitas. Las pruebas se entregarán en su hogar.

Para ordenar sus pruebas:

Llame al 1-800-232-0233. (inglés, español y otros 150 idiomas) Ó

Haga clic aquí: [COVIDtests.gov](https://www.covidtests.gov)

SAN YSIDRO HEALTH VACCINATION CLINICS


The Sweetwater Union High School District and San Ysidro Health have partnered to provide a vaccination clinic Tuesday, February 22, 2022 from 3:30 - 6:00 p.m. at San

Ysidro High School in the PAC Theater Lobby Area. Please see the event vaccination flyers for detailed information.

[SYH Vaccination Clinic-Spanish](#)
[SYH Vaccination Clinic- English](#)

COVID CASE DASHBOARD

This Dashboard is an effort for our district to be transparent regarding COVID cases. Our dashboard reflects the number of cases since July 26 and through February 4. Most of these cases have been “contact traced” to places other than school sites. This past week, our schools witnessed a dramatic drop in cases among our students and employees, as compared to prior weeks after winter break. The district’s multi-layered safety measures are proving highly effective in curbing the transmission of COVID within our schools.

 [San Ysidro School District COVID-19 Dashboard](#)

BOND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE VACANT SEATS

The district will be accepting BOC member applications for the following vacant seats:

- Parent: One (1) member shall be the parent or guardian of a child enrolled in the District
- Parent: One (1) member shall be both a parent or guardian of a child enrolled in the District and active in a parent-teacher organization, such as the P.T.A. or a school site council
- Applications will be accepted until the position is filled

Application and committee information are posted on the District's website at <https://www.sysdschools.org/sanysidro> under Announcements. We hope to fill these vacancies as soon as possible.

Note: Applicants can not be SYSD employees.

FREE FOOD DISTRIBUTION/DISTRIBUCIÓN DE ALIMENTOS GRATIS:

San Diego Food Bank: <https://sandiegofoodbank.org/gethelp/>

Feeding San Diego: <https://feedingsandiego.org/find-food/#locate>

COMMUNITY COVID RESOURCES

Please click on the link to access the COVID Community Resources:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/e/2PACX-1vRHa3eSXww70KLcnAro21nIFBAdB1BPDL5cLTwBD5J3UYdUhY17DHNMaZyRD7sgVmGg3IUALM9oLF_c/pub