

District Highlights

Superintendent - Gina A. Potter, Ed.D. Week of April 12, 2019

BOARD VICE PRESIDENT TANDEM SKYDIVES ON SATURDAY, APRIL 7TH, 2019 COURTESY OF THE U.S. ARMY GOLDEN KNIGHTS (Francisco Mata)

Mr. Humberto Gurmilan represented our district in a tandem skydive with a member of the U.S. Army Golden Knights, Strategic Army Command Parachute Team on the morning of Sunday, April 7th. The event took place at Brown Field Municipal Airport, 1424 Continental Street, San Diego, CA 92154.

In late March, the District was contacted by a representative from the United States Army Southern California Recruiting Battalion to inquire if the Superintendent or a Board Member would like to represent SYSD and participate in this event. Dr. Potter suggested we contact the Governing Board beginning with the President, Vice President, Clerk etc. to see if someone would volunteer to represent the District. Mr. Gurmilan was the first Board Member to accept the challenge! Mr. Gurmilan symbolically carried with him all the "sky-high" hopes, dreams and goals our District has to be the best school district in the county, state and nation.









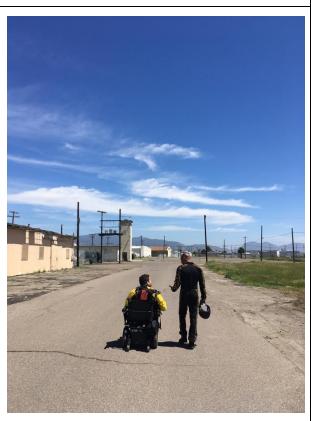














U.S. Army's Golden Knights Chairman, James Bernet, thanked Board Vice-President Humberto Gurmilan for tandem skydiving representing the San Ysidro School District.



(Above picture taken at the April 11, 2019 Board Meeting)

LEGISLATIVE ACTION DAY AT THE STATE CAPITOL: APRIL 7-8TH, 2019

It was an honor to represent our district in Sacramento on Sunday, April 7th through Monday, April 8th during the ACSA Legislative Action Day in the state Capitol. ACSA Region 18 (San Diego and Imperial counties) identified a select team of approximately 15 administrators to attend Legislative Action Day. State ACSA identified 3 hot topic legislative areas to focus on advocating for with our legislative representatives in the Capitol: 1) Establish new LCFF school funding with aspirational targets (AB 39); 2) Special Education Funding Equity (AB 428); and 3) Address Student Mental Health.



2019 Friend of Education Award Winner



Assemblymember Patrick O'Donnell (D-Long Beach)

Assemblymember Patrick O'Donnell was first elected to the California State Assembly in November 2014 to represent the 70th District, which includes the cities of Long Beach, San Pedro, Signal Hill as well as Catalina Island. Assemblymember O'Donnell is a former Long Beach City Councilmember and a teacher with over 20 years' experience in the classroom.

He was appointed the Chair of the Assembly Education Committee in the first year he was elected. As Chair, he reviews and makes recommendations on hundreds of K-12 education bills every year. He is also a member of the

Assembly Budget Subcommittee on Education Finance, which reviews the K-12 and Higher Education Budgets.

Understandably, most of the bills he has introduced are education-related bills. Some of the Assemblymember's bills that have been signed into law include improving the learning environments for the LGBTQ students, preventing student suicide, streamlining school facilities construction, establishing media arts standards, ensuring English learners have access to core curriculum courses, allowing college students to major in education, keeping immigration enforcement out of schools, and making the Long Beach College Promise a permanent program.

Born in Long Beach, Assemblymember O'Donnell graduated from California State University, Long Beach with a degree in History and a Master's Degree in Public Administration.



Most school leaders are principals and vice principals at neighborhood schools.

Others manage the essentia programs and services that support students and classroom teaching

account for only 0.5 percent of personnel employed in California's schools, compared with teachers at 52.9 percent; student and other support staff (including library aides, bus drivers, cafeteria workers, etc.) at 29.4 percent; instructional aides at 12.4 percent, librarians, counselors, and instructional coordinators at 2.5 percent and principals and assistant principals at 2.3 percent

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Establishing New LCFF Targets

- In 2013, Governor Jerry Brown accomplished historic school finance reform by establishing the Local Control Funding Formula. The overarching goal of LCFF is to improve academic outcomes by directing additional funding to school districts that serve high-need students.
- California is one of the most diverse and multicultural states in the nation, with more than 6 million students attending public schools. The majority of California students live in poverty, with 59 percent of students eligible for free or reduced-priced meals.
- While LCFF was created with the intent of directing additional resources to students who have more educational needs, the California budget does not allocate enough resources within Proposition 98 to provide the constitutionally prescribed education to all children in California.
- LCFF has been embraced by California communities over the past six years, and we believe infusing increased Proposition 98 funding through the existing formula will enable school districts to meet the educational needs of all their students.
- We urge the Legislature and Governor Newsom to establish new aspirational LCFF targets through the enactment of Assemblymember Muratsuchi's Assembly Bill 39. As co-sponsors of the bill, ACSA strongly supports the establishment of higher LCFF targets.

Special Education Funding Equity

- Special education is California's largest K-12 education categorical program and serves more than 750,000 children with disabilities.
- In 2014-15, California schools spent more than \$12 billion on Special Education services with most of the costs being borne by school districts school districts paid \$7.6 billion, or 63% of the overall cost of all special education costs.
- Special education services are state and federally mandated, however, state and federal funding has not kept pace with the skyrocketing cost of special education. The increased cost to provide special education is causing severe fiscal pressure on districts.
- ACSA believes it is time for California to address the glaring inequities in the current special education funding model and begin the process of equalizing funding to ensure our most vulnerable student needs are met, which is why ACSA strongly supports Assemblymember Medina's AB 428.

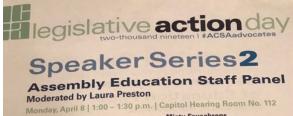
Addressing Student Mental Health

- California educators are responding to unprecedented levels of student anxiety, depression, trauma, and suicide ideation. There was a 104% increase in inpatient visits for child suicide, self-injury, and suicide ideation between 2006 and 2011.
- Mental health plays a critical role in a child's development, and overall poor childhood health can have adverse effects on a child's long-term academic, career and economic success.
- There is not one clear policy, or set of policies, that would conclusively solve the growing student mental health crisis. It is clear schools must be better resourced to play their critical role. It is also clear there are existing, non-Proposition 98 funding sources, including Mental Health Services Act and Medi-Cal, which could provide additional resources to LEAs.
- ACSA supports Assemblymember O'Donnell & Assemblymember Kiley's AB 1126 and AB 1546, along with Senator Beall's SB 582 in their efforts to improve schools' ability to meet their students' mental health needs.









Tanya Lieberman

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Del Consultant. Assembly Education Committee
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Assembly Education Committee. Prior to serving in
this position she worked as education consultant to the
Senate Education Committee, Senator Jack o'Connell,
Governor Gray Davis, and the Senate Committee on
Budget and Fiscal Review. She holds a multiple subject
teaching credential and taught in the Oakland Unified
School District. She also served in United Nations
peacekeeping and observer missions in Cambodie,
South Africa, and Bosnia.

Katie Hardeman

Consultant, Assembly Budget Committee

Katie Hardeman handles all K-12 and early education
issues for the Assembly Budget Committee, chaired by
Assemblymember Phil Ting. She is charged with staffing
the Assembly Budget Subcommittee & Debugdion
Finance, subchaired by Assemblymember Kevin
McCarty, Prior to the Budget Committee, Kate was a
Legislative Aid in the office of Assemblymember Susan
Sonilla, where she was the lead staff person for all
aducation and budget related issues. Katie also worked
for Assemblymember's schedule and worked on legislation.
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coccer overseas in Reykjavik, Iceland. Katie studied
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the Speaker and members of the Assembly Speaker
of the Speaker and members of the Assembly on
education policy and budget matters. Pilor to joining
the Speaker's office, Mistry worked for the Assembly
Appropriations Committee and Assembly Budget
Committee as a Deputy Chief Consultant. Her tenure
in the Budget Committee was marked by the Great
Recession. During this critical period for the state,
Mistry provided her expertise and advised legislative
members as they navigated difficult fiscal and policy
decisions. Misty was instrumental in the deliberation
of the Weighted Student Formula and the creation of
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SAN YSIDRO SCHOOL DISTRICT PARTICIPATES IN THE NFAR RACE FOR AUTISM: SATURDAY, APRIL 6, 2019 AT BALBOA PARK

A special thanks to our Director of Special Education, Oscar Madera for coordinating a district special education and staff team to attend the Race for Autism this past Saturday, April 6th at Balboa Park! It was wonderful to join Mr. Madera and his team during this special event.







DISTINGUISHED CHAMPIONS: PATHWAYS PROGRAM - OCEAN VIEW HILLS SCHOOL MARTIAL ARTS STUDENTS

The Board recognized Ocean View Hills students in Pathways Martial Arts at the April 11, 2019 Regular Board Meeting.



BOARD RECOGNITION: SAN YSIDRO HEALTH

On April 11, 2019, the Board recognized San Ysidro Health for being a community partner. San Ysidro health



HOMELESS BROCHURES (Manuela Colom)

Homeless Brochures were sent to each site on April 11, with directions to distribute to staff members. On April 12 additional brochures were delivered to all sites to be visible and available for parents and public in the front office of all sites. In addition an email was sent to principals to ensure brochures were distributed and available.

ONLINE REGISTRATION (Manuela Colom)

Online registration will begin on April 16 in the elementary schools, on April 23 in the middle schools, and May 7 for TK and Kinder. Flyers with dates and instructions were sent out on April 11. Mr. Mata will be sending out a robocall as well to all parents.

INDEPENDENT CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE DEVELOPMENT TIMELINE (Marilyn Adrianzen)

The District interviewed 6 B.O.C. applicants. These 6 applicants were presented to the Board at the April 11th Board meeting and the Board took action to appoint the applicants recommended by the B.O.C. Interviews. We have one vacant position (Taxpayer Group). Marinovich consulting is working diligently to fulfill this position.

January 2019	Bond Oversight Committee application process begins. Evaluate, review and rank all applications
March 2019	Results of the ranking process will be presented to the Superintendent and recommendation to the Board
April Board Meeting	Appointment of B.O.C. members Once approved by the board, training and orientation may begin
May 2019	First B.O.C. meeting

Below is a picture taken on April 11, 2019 at the Regular Board Meeting of the Bond Oversight Committee along with the Governing Board, Superintendent and Chief Business.



Below is a chart of all school visits from August 2018 through April 2019:

Superintendent School Visits			
School Name	Visit Date	Visit Time	Notes

La Mirada School	1) August 21, 2018 2) October 16, 2018 3) December 4, 2018 4) February 19, 2019 5) February 26, 2019 (SPED)	8:45-10:30 a.m. 8:30-11:00 a.m. 8:45-10:30 a.m. 8:45-11:00 a.m. 8:45-11:00 a.m.	Learning Walk scheduled for 3/21/19
Ocean View Hills School	1) August 22, 2018 2) November 6, 2018 3) May 1, 2019	8:45-10:30 a.m. 8:45-10:30 a.m. 8:45-11:00 a.m.	
Smythe School	1) August 22, 2018 2) September 4, 2018 3) October 31, 2018 (Halloween Parade) 4) January 29, 2019 5) April 23, 2019	8:45-10:30 a.m. 8:45-10:30 a.m. 8:30-9:00 a.m. 8:45-11:00 a.m. 8:45-11:00 a.m.	
Sunset School	1) October 17, 2018 2) October 31, 2018 (Halloween Visit) 3) December 19, 2018 4) March 6, 2019	8:45-10:30 a.m. 10:00-10:30 a.m. 8:45-10:30 a.m. 8:45-11:00 a.m.	
San Ysidro Middle School	1) October 9, 2018 2) December 18, 2018 (Learning Walk) 3) February 26, 2019 (SPED)	8:45-10:30 a.m. 8:45-10:30 a.m. 8:45-11:00 a.m.	
Vista Del Mar Middle School	1) October 23, 2018 2) November 27, 2018 3) February 27, 2019	8:45-10:30 a.m. 8:45-10:30 a.m. 8:45-11:00 a.m.	Learning Walk scheduled for 4/11/19
Willow School	1) September 4, 2018 2) September 19, 2018 3) October 24, 2018 (Coffee with the Principal) 4) December 11, 2018 5) February 20, 2019	8:45-10:30 a.m. 9:30-11:00 a.m. 8:30-9:30 a.m. 8:45-10:30 a.m. 8:45-11:00 a.m.	
Child Development Center (CDC)	1) October 10, 2018 2) October 31, 2018 (Halloween Parade) 3) December 5, 2018 (Sunset & OVHS) 4) April 16, 2019 (Smythe)	8:45-10:30 a.m. 9:00-9:30 a.m. 8:45-10:30 a.m. 8:45-11:00 a.m.	
Special Education	1) February 26, 2019 (Start at La Mirada and SYMS) 2) April 30, 2019 (Start at OVHS and VDM)	8:45-11:00 a.m. 8:45-11:00 a.m.	

LOOKING AHEAD (by Monica Yrineo & Miguel Ortega)

Below is a chart of upcoming dates and events.

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
Tues., April 16	8:30 a.m.	La Mirada School	Coffee with Principal
Wed., April 17	6:00 p.m.	Sunset School	PIQE (Parent Institute) Graduation

Wed., April 17	2:00 - 3:00 p.m.	5185 Avenida Playa del Sol	Southwest Village Meeting - Schools Focus
Thurs., April 18	3:30 - 5:00 p.m.	Ocean View Hills School	Preschool Open House
Thurs., April 18	4:00-6:00 p.m.	Ocean View Hills School	Open House
Date moved from Thurs., April 18 to Tues., April 23	8:30 a.m K-1 9:30 a.m 2nd-3rd 1:30 p.m 4-5th 2:15 p.m 6th	Willow School	Perfect Attendance Assembly
Tues., April 23	8:30 a.m.	Smythe School	Coffee with Principal
Tues., April 23	3:30-5:00 p.m.	CDC	Preschool Open House
Thurs., May 2	3:30-5:00 p.m.	Sunset	Preschool Open House
Thurs, May 2	3:00-5:00 p.m.	Sunset	Open House
Sat., May 11	5:00 - 9:00 p.m.	Sheraton San Diego Hotel & Marina Grande Ballroom 1380 Harbor Island Drive San Diego, CA 92101	17th Annual "Honoring Our Own" Awards Dinner Recognition for Principal Bojorquez - Elementary Principal of the Year

2019 GOVERNING BOARD MEETINGS (by Monica Yrineo & Miguel Ortega)

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	TYPE OF BOARD MEETING (Regular or Special)
Friday, Jan. 18, 2019	2:00 - 6:00 p.m.	Board Room	Special Meeting Board Workshop
Thurs., Jan. 24, 2019	3:00 p.m 5:00 p.m.	VDM	Special Meeting
Thurs., Jan. 24, 2019	5:00 p.m.	VDM	Regular Meeting
Thurs, Feb. 21, 2019	3:00 p.m 5:00 p.m.	Sunset	Special Meeting
Thurs., Feb. 21, 2019	5:00 p.m.	Sunset	Regular Meeting
Thurs., Feb. 28, 2019	5:00 p.m.	Board Room	Regular Meeting
Thurs., March 14, 2019	5:00 p.m.	Smythe	Regular
Thurs., April 11, 2019	5:00 p.m.	VDM	Regular

Fri., April 26, 2019	2:00 p.m 5:00 p.m.	Board Room	Special Meeting Board Workshop
Thurs., May 9, 2019	4:00 p.m.	LM	Special Meeting
Thurs., May 9, 2019	5:00 p.m.	LM	Regular
Thurs., June 6, 2019	5:00 p.m.	Smythe	Regular
Thurs., June 13, 2019	5:00 p.m.	Board Room	Regular
Fri., June 28, 2019	12:00 p.m3:00 p.m.	Board Room	Special Meeting
Thurs., July 11, 2019	5:00 p.m.	Board Room	Regular
Thurs., August 8, 2019	5:00 p.m.	Board Room	Regular
Thurs., September 12, 2019	5:00 p.m.	SYMS	Regular
Thurs., October 10, 2019	5:00 p.m.	OVHS	Regular
Thurs., Nov. 14, 2019	5:00 p.m.	Willow	Regular
Thurs., Dec. 19, 2019	5:00 p.m.	SYMS	Organizational Meeting