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School District

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QUALITY EDUCATION AND OPPORTUNITY FOR ALL STUDENTS TO SUCCEED

District Highlights

Superintendent - Gina A. Potter, Ed.D.

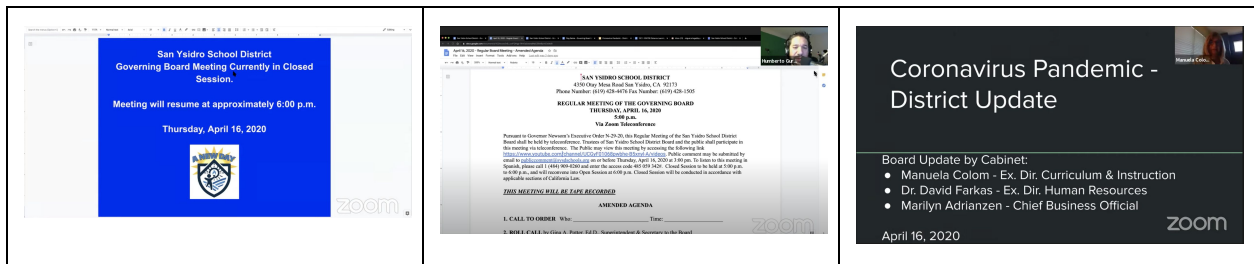
Week of April 17, 2020

SUPERINTENDENT

SAN YSIDRO SCHOOL DISTRICT'S FIRST VIRTUAL ZOOM REGULAR BOARD MEETING - APRIL 16, 2020

Overall, the district's first virtual meeting was a success and allowed for a YouTube live video platform for approximately 175 viewers to access. Our district is sincerely grateful to Todd Lewis, the Director of Technology, the technology team, the administrative assistance team in the superintendent's office, Monica Yrineo and Miguel Ortega, legal counsel Joseph Sanchez, our translator Pablo Sainz, Board President Gurmilan and Board Vice President Antonio Martinez for working the last two weeks to create and test the following platforms for our district to be able to launch our first virtual board meeting!

- Administrative Zoom Account - Virtual Meeting Portal
- District Zoom YouTube Account - Public to View Board Meetings
- Google Meet Audio Access - Translation Services
- Public Comment Email - publiccomment@sysdschools.org



CHROMEBOOK DISTRIBUTION

It is exciting to share that our district began distributing over 2,000 chromebooks to students on Thursday, April 16th! This week students from both Vista Del Mar Middle and San Ysidro Middle School were able to check out chromebooks. We are thankful to Board President Gurmilan, Board Vice President Antonio Martinez, Board Clerk Rudy Lopez, and Board Members Irene Lopez and Rosaleah Pallasigue for attending the chromebook distribution events at our schools. Our sincere appreciation is extended to

the technology team, maintenance and operations team and the school staff teams for their hard work to prepare and distribute the chromebooks!

Our district is grateful to the Governing Board Members for authorizing the purchase of 1,475 additional chromebooks utilizing federal restricted funds which recently were approved by the United States Department of Education to be used flexibly for certain COVID-19 pandemic purposes. The district anticipates these new chromebooks will not arrive from the vendor in time to support this school year, however, they can support summer and fall instruction.

Superintendent's Potter's Chromebook Distribution Letter to Families & Staff Page 1-2 (English)
https://drive.google.com/file/d/1H_D6TgBZvqhRw2sjbkw1gD3NhI5vk9bj/view?usp=sharing

Superintendent's Potter's Chromebook Distribution Letter to Families & Staff Page 3 (English)
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Superintendent's Potter's Chromebook Distribution Letter to Families & Staff Page 1-2 (Spanish)
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Superintendent's Potter's Chromebook Distribution Letter to Families & Staff Page 3 (Spanish)
<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1FevTQAos73F1BuC4o0DTt6n7TO2ITsef/view?usp=sharing>

On the next page please find the letter our district sent out to families and staff regarding our Chromebooks @ Home device distribution events.



GOVERNING BOARD

Quality education and opportunity for all students to succeed

April 14, 2020

Dear San Ysidro School District Families & Staff,

Our district is excited to share with you that we will begin our new **Chromebooks @ Home Program** on Thursday, April 16th for all **5th-8th grade students and TK-6 students who receive special education!** Here is the chromebook distribution schedule.

SCHOOL	DATE	TIMES	PICK UP LOCATION
Vista Del Mar Middle <i>Grades 7th & 8th Only</i>	Thursday, April 16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8am-10am: 7th & 8th grade students receiving special education services 10am-Noon & 1-4pm: All students grades 7th & 8th 	Vista Del Mar Middle 4885 Del Sol Boulevard San Diego, CA 92154
San Ysidro Middle School <i>Grades 7th & 8th Only</i>	Friday, April 17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8am-10am: 7th & 8th grade students receiving special education services 10am-Noon & 1-4pm: All students grades 7th & 8th 	San Ysidro Middle School 4345 Otay Mesa Road San Ysidro, CA 92173
La Mirada Elementary <i>Grades 5th & 6th Only</i> <i>TK-6th Special Ed Only</i>	Monday, April 20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8am-10am: TK - 6th grade students receiving special education services 10am-Noon & 1-4pm: All Students Grades 5th & 6th 	Willow Elementary 226 Willow Road San Ysidro, CA 92173
Ocean View Hills Elementary <i>Grades 5th & 6th Only</i> <i>TK-6 Special Ed Only</i>	Tuesday, April 21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8am-10am: TK - 6th grade students receiving special education services 10am-Noon & 1-4pm: All students grades 5th & 6th 	Vista Del Mar Middle 4885 Del Sol Boulevard San Diego, CA 92154
Smythe Elementary <i>Grades 5th & 6th Only</i> <i>TK-6 Special Ed Only</i>	Wednesday, April 22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8am-10am: TK - 6th grade students receiving special education services 10am-Noon & 1-4pm: All students grades 5th & 6th 	Willow Elementary 226 Willow Road San Ysidro, CA 92173
Sunset Elementary	Thursday, April 23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8am-10am: Kindergarten - 6th grade students receiving special education services 	Willow Elementary 226 Willow Road

<p><i>Grades 5th & 6th Only</i> <i>K-6 Special Ed Only</i></p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10am-Noon & 1-4pm: All students grades 5th & 6th 	<p>San Ysidro, CA 92173</p>
<p>Willow Elementary <i>Grades 5th & 6th Only</i> <i>TK-6 Special Ed Only</i></p>	<p>Friday, April 24</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8am-10am: TK - 6th grade students receiving special education services • 10am-Noon & 1-4pm: All students grades 5th & 6th 	<p><i>Willow Elementary</i> 226 Willow Road San Ysidro, CA 92173</p>

Parents will need to bring the documents listed below to check out a chromebook for their child. The required chromebook documents can be printed in advance from our district website: <https://www.sysdschools.org>. If you do not have a printer then the district will provide you with copies of the documents to complete in your car upon arrival.

1. Sign Chromebooks @ Home Agreement
https://docs.google.com/document/d/1LDSXMwuMFRuLIGfF_SgBmAizXTCbcnEJuXA_msMgAA/edit?usp=sharing
2. Read Board Policy 6163.4 Student Use of Technology
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1AVEIcpPzKfp4blllc8mGiU7ROMNaxPyXNAq97fu7NW0/edit?usp=sharing>
3. Sign (Parent & Student) Board Exhibit 6163.4 Student Use of Technology
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/156btNpmr43-qRLEHGDbJlTr7Vrdt0fP3g8olpzIT-U4/edit?usp=sharing>
4. Complete Cox Connect 2 Compete Internet Application (*optional*)
<http://www.cox.com/c2c>

For the safety and health of everyone the state requires that all schools adhere to the current social distancing protocol which includes members of the public maintaining a six-foot distance from one another (families can remain together), no shaking hands, and the wearing of a face mask. If you have a cough or fever please make an individual chromebook check out appointment with the Director of Technology Todd Lewis at toddlewis@sysdschools.org.

As a friendly reminder, our district will begin implementing Phase III of our Distance Learning Program on Monday, April 20th. This will include your child being able to access their teacher's online Google Classroom portal and engage in teacher selected instructional activities such as Google Meet/Hangout class meetings and/or instruction, teacher office hours, and more.

If you have any questions or concerns about our Chromebooks @ Home Program please contact your child's school principal. Here is the contact information for our principals.

Principal Name & School	Email Address	Work Phone Number
Alma (Laura) English La Mirada Elementary	alma.english@sysdschools.org	(619)454-0869
Consuelo Carranza Ocean View Hills Elementary	consuelo.carranza@sysdschools.org	(619)454-6226
Russell Little Smythe Elementary	russell.little@sysdschools.org	(619)248-2374
Efrain Burciaga Sunset Elementary	efrain.burciaga@sysdschools.org	(619)454-2067
Manuel Bojorquez Willow Elementary	manuel.bojorquez@sysdschools.org	(619)454-8597
Maria (Connie) Rodriguez San Ysidro Middle School	maria.rodriguez@sysdschools.org	(619)750-3770
Irene Herrera-Cevallos Vista Del Mar Middle School	irene.herrera-cevallos@sysdschools.org	(619)453-9125
Lorena Varela-Reed Preschool Program	lorena.varelareed@sysdschools.org	(619)454-0816

Chromebooks that have been borrowed by students for the Distance Learning Program will be required to be returned the last week of this school year. The district will publish a chromebook return date schedule for each school closer to the end of the school year.

A very special thank you is extended to our entire technology team and our maintenance and facilities staff members who dedicated numerous hours to prepare the chromebooks for distribution to students to take home! They updated the software programs on all chromebooks and disinfected them. Our technology and maintenance/operations teams' efforts have been heroic and are most appreciated.

Our district is here to support your child and your family through this global health crisis. We appreciate your understanding and patience as we create and launch our new Distance Learning Program to support your child's continued learning.

Warm Regards,

Gina Potter, Ed.D.
Superintendent

SAN YSIDRO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE: VIRTUAL TOWN HALL MEETING

It was an honor for Superintendent Potter to be invited to be one of the guest speakers for their Town Hall Virtual Meeting on Friday, April 17th. The Executive Director of the San Ysidro Chamber of Commerce, Jason Wells moderated the Town Hall Meeting which had about eight influential community leaders representing organizations such as, but not limited to: San Ysidro Health, Casa Familiar, SIMNSA health, Wells Fargo, MAAC Project, the San Diego Police Department and more.

Superintendent Potter Virtual Town Hall Meeting Presentation Slides

<https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/11FXeBCJdQFb8LoTSi0rGHG7x5TIO-C7tXEurYleza8k/edit?usp=sharing>

COVID-19 UPDATES & RESOURCES

Gov. Gavin Newsom Outlines Six-Point Guide To Help Reopen California

<https://deadline.com/2020/04/gavin-newsom-reopen-california-economy-six-point-plan-1202908603/>

Governor Newsom Announces New Initiatives to Support California Workers Impacted by COVID-19

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1cbKJWEPA4tE1hcdXygAXdnkz8yW3fAN-/view?usp=sharing>

K-12 Schools | COVID-19 Resources | April 17, 2020

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1MeTHrEgBxTYrAPqa2d0YAWse6znhUzSA/view?usp=sharing>

San Ysidro Chamber of Commerce - Updates for Businesses - Resources and Obligations - April 13, 2020

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1IXSf_E5aZMbkhkBIxAbRikRcedXVu_cp/view?usp=sharing

REGULAR VIRTUAL ZOOM BOARD MEETING: Thurs., May 14th @ 5pm - *Change of Location - Virtual Zoom Board Meeting*

On Thursday, May 14th beginning at 5:00 p.m. there will be a Regular Board Meeting. This governing board meeting will be held virtually in order to adhere to the social distancing regulations embedded within Governor Gavin Newsom's Stay-At-Home Executive Order which is in response to the coronavirus pandemic.

The email for public comment is: publiccomment@sysdschools.org . Board agendas will indicate the need for the public to submit their public comment via email at publiccomment@sysdschools.org. There will be a 300 word limit to the public comments to align with our district's 3 minute public comment board policy.

EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

CHROMEBOOK DISTRIBUTION SCHEDULE - EMAIL SENT TO PARENTS ON 4-14-20, 4-15-20 and 4-16-20

Dear Parents & Staff,

Our district is excited to share with you that our new Chromebooks @ Home Program begins this week for all 5th-8th grade students and TK-4th students who receive special education! This Thursday, April 16th, all Vista Del Mar Middle students can check out a chromebook at their school and this Friday, April 17th all San Ysidro Middle students can check out a chromebook at their school.

Chromebook check out times for all schools will be 10am-noon and 1-4pm for 5th-8th grade students, and 8am-10am for all students receiving special education.

Next week each elementary school will have a day for 5th-6th grade students and students receiving special education to check out chromebooks at Willow Elementary only. Chromebook distribution will be next Monday for La Mirada, Wednesday for Smythe, Thursday for Sunset and Friday for Willow all at Willow Elementary. Note, Ocean View Hills will be the only elementary school that checks out chromebooks at Vista Del Mar Middle next Tuesday.

The chromebook checkout papers required to be completed are available now on the district website, or you can complete them upon arrival.

Please check your email or the district's website for the chromebook distribution letter to families with detailed information. If you have any questions, please, email or call your school principal.

Thank you and have a good evening.

Estimados Padres y Empleados,

¡A nuestro distrito le emociona compartir nuestro programa nuevo "Chromebooks @ Home Program" que comenzará esta semana para todos los alumnos de 5to a 8vo grado y para los alumnos de Kinder Transicional a 4to grado que reciben educación especial! Este jueves, 16 de abril, todos los alumnos de la Secundaria Vista Del Mar pueden recoger una "chromebook" en su escuela y este viernes, 17 de abril, todos los alumnos de la Secundaria San Ysidro Middle pueden recoger la suya en su escuela.

Los horarios de todas las escuelas para recoger las Chromebooks serán, para los alumnos de 5to a 8vo grado, de 10 am a medio día y de 1 a 4 pm, y para todos los alumnos recibiendo educación especial de 8am a 10 am.

La próxima semana, cada escuela primaria tendrá un día designado para los alumnos de 5to y 6to grado y para los alumnos recibiendo educación especial, para recoger su chromebook únicamente en la escuela Willow Elementary. La distribución de las Chromebooks será el próximo lunes para La Mirada, el miércoles para Smythe, el jueves para Sunset, y el viernes para Willow; todas en la escuela Willow Elementary.

Aviso; la escuela Ocean View Hills será la única escuela primaria que recogerá las Chromebooks el próximo martes en la escuela Secundaria Vista Del Mar.

Los documentos que se requiere llenar para recoger su chromebook ya están disponibles en la página web del distrito escolar, o los puede llenar al llegar a la escuela.

Favor de revisar su correo electrónico o la página web del distrito escolar en busca de la carta para las familias sobre la distribución de Chromebooks con la información detallada. Si tiene alguna pregunta, favor de mandar un correo electrónico o de llamar al director/a de su escuela.

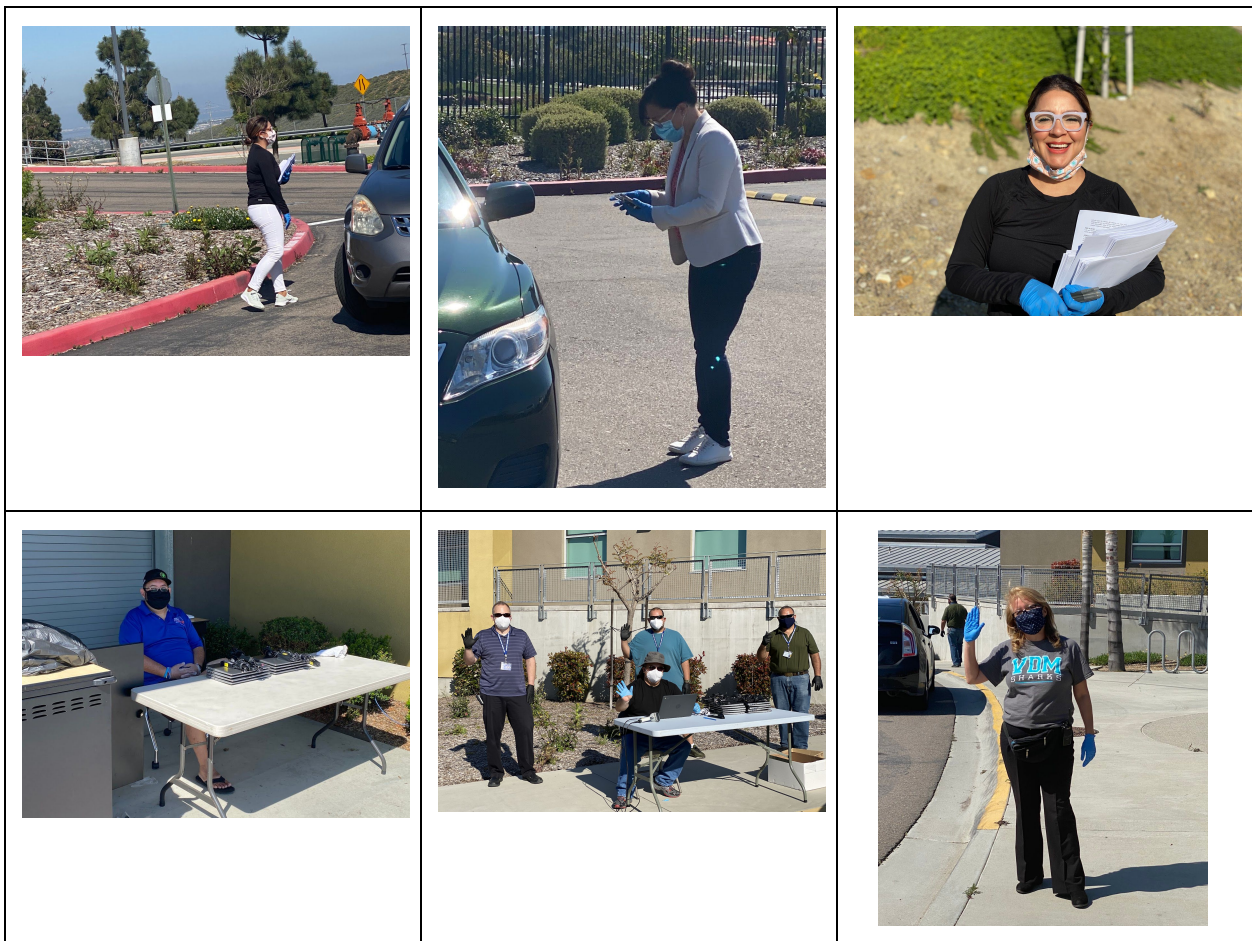
Gracias y que pasen muy buena tarde.

MIDDLE SCHOOL CHROMEBOOK DISTRIBUTION VIDEO AT SYMS AND VDM:

VDM & SYMS Chromebook distribution video:

<https://youtu.be/KNllbs1ynUE>

**Photos of the Chromebook Distribution
for Vista Del Mar Middle School Students
4-19-20**





**Photos of the Chromebook Distribution
for San Ysidro Middle Middle School Students
4-17-20**





CHROMEBOOKS DISTRIBUTED

School	Date	Chromebooks Distributed to Students
Vista Del Mar Middle	April 16, 2020	171
San Ysidro Middle	April 17, 2020	328

PHASE III: DISTANCE LEARNING GOING LIVE APRIL 20TH

Teacher Google Classroom portals go live on Monday, April 20th! This is an exciting time for our students to have teacher directed instructional guidance via Google Classroom and Google Meeting/Hangout. Our district expresses our sincere gratitude to our teachers for their hard work the last two weeks to learn the Google Suite and coordinate instructional online distance learning for our students during this coronavirus pandemic!

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN: Google Classroom & Google Meet

School site administrators were trained on Monday, April 6th on Google Classroom and Google Meet. District teachers were trained on the use of Google Classroom & Google Meet. These Google Suite products will serve as the platform for teachers to deliver Distance Learning to students.

As we move to launch these online platforms teachers will continue to receive support with professional development through follow-up professional development upon request or identified need. We have also established a plan for continued support throughout the implementation of distance learning:

GOOGLE HELPLINE: [Continuing Support Plan for Teachers](#) (Click on Title Link)

- Technical Troubleshooting Support for Teachers (Technology Department)
- Content Troubleshooting Support for Teachers (Resource Teachers)

SAN YSIDRO DISTANCE LEARNING INSTRUCTIONAL CONTINUITY LEARNING PLAN

This Distance Learning Plan was created in response to the world health crisis that has resulted from the COVID-19 pandemic. On March 13, 2020, Governor Gavin Newsom issued an Executive Order regarding the physical closure of schools by local educational agencies (LEAs) in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. The order provides that even if schools close temporarily because of COVID-19, LEAs will continue to receive state funding for those days so that they provide high-quality educational opportunities to students, to the extent feasible, through distance learning and/or independent study.

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/15Q3Q-olXq6xDy1AiTNX5MqJX1HIUXTXBuoJgkUARXgs/edit?usp=sharing>

DISTANCE LEARNING RESOURCES DRIVE:

Resource teachers are building a resource drive for teachers with information on the implementation of digital core & supplemental curriculum, various aspects of Google Suite products with a focus on Google classroom, and self-care/mindfulness resources.

HUMAN RESOURCES

STAFF MEMBER HEROES

We thank so many heroes this week! The Child Nutrition Services team served over 1,000 students for a total of over 10,000 meals on Wednesday, April 15th at La Mirada Elementary! We'd like to also thank the staff from Educational Services and Management team for their help and support. The entire Information and Technology and Maintenance teams worked at VDM on Thursday and SYMS on Friday to distribute Chromebooks to families in order to begin distance learning. School support staff were front and center welcoming families and supporting the Chromebook distribution process. These efforts from our heroes are so appreciated!

BUSINESS SERVICES

CONTINUED MEAL SERVICE FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE SCHOOL YEAR: GRAB & GO STYLE

Free breakfast & lunch will be distributed one day only at one location only each week. The schedule will be as follows:

Location: La Mirada Elementary only
Date: Wednesdays, April 8th - June 3rd
Time: 11:30 am to 1:00 pm or until we run out of meals

Each child will be able to pick up breakfast and lunch for multiple days. *Children are now not required to be present to pick up their meals.* We're encouraging parents to only pick up meal servings once and for just their child(ren) Meals will be served in a "Grab and Go" style.

Free Meal Program for the Remainder of the School Year - Email sent to parents on 4-13-20
https://drive.google.com/file/d/1X6sJkoV2hMellY-d_312kfCR0Wn6QnLy/view?usp=sharing

District Meal Distribution Video by Board President Humberto Gurmilan!

The San Ysidro School District delivered over one thousand meals for children of the San Ysidro community in an effort to curb hunger during the COVID-19 pandemic. Child Nutrition Services, the Department of Maintenance and Operations, administrators and Board Members participated in the operation.

The San Ysidro School District is a public school district in San Diego County, California, United States. It includes five elementary schools, one middle school, and several preschools in the San Ysidro community in San Diego, California as well as two elementary schools elsewhere in San Diego.

Please click on the link to view the YouTube video:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z5s6OyVaAcg&feature=youtu.be>

This week we served 1,013 students. Each student received 5 breakfast meals and 5 lunch meals. Total meals served = 10,130. To date, we have served 33,332.

**Photos & Videos from the Wednesday, April 15th, 2020
Grab & Go Style Breakfast & Lunch at La Mirada School:**



NEWS & COMMUNITY RELATIONS

MEDIA UPDATE

Please click on the links to view articles related to the Coronavirus (COVID-19):

- Washington Post: CDC, FEMA have created a plan to reopen America. Here's what it says.
 - <https://www.washingtonpost.com/health/2020/04/14/cdc-fema-have-created-plan-reopen-america-heres-what-it-says/>
- ABC News: California schools will look very different when they reopen
 - <https://abcnews.go.com/Health/wireStory/california-schools-reopen-70155822>
- LA Times: Social distancing in a classroom? Newsom suggests major changes when schools reopen
 - <https://www.latimes.com/california/story/2020-04-14/la-schools-coronavirus-reopening-changes-social-distancing>
- Union Tribune: Schools will likely reopen gradually with physical distancing, San Diego Unified physician says
 - <https://www.sandiegouniontribune.com/news/education/story/2020-04-15/san-diego-unified-district-physician-suggests-schools-will-re-open-gradually-with-distancing-face-masks>
- Union Tribune: Coronavirus summary | April 15: Local COVID-19 cases top 2,000; San Diego facing \$250M revenue gap
 - <https://www.sandiegouniontribune.com/news/story/2020-04-15/coronavirus-summary-april-15-local-covid-19-cases-top-2-000-san-diego-facing-250m-revenue-gap>
- Cal Matters: CA officially in recession, budget cuts loom
 - https://drive.google.com/file/d/1IPz-1YII9Zb6GrPkxmn7eXwgGAGR_Et8/view?usp=sharing