

## **District Highlights**

Superintendent - Gina Potter, Ed.D. Week of August 16, 2024



## SUPERINTENDENT

Gina Potter, Ed.D.

#### BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT AT OUR CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER

Back to School Nights are in full swing! Our Child Development Center held their exciting and engaging Back to School Night on Wednesday, August 14th. Parents had an opportunity to visit their child's classroom and teacher. Thank you to our Director of Early Childhood Education Julie Pretzer and all of her wonderful staff for their hard work in coordinating this event for parents and students.









































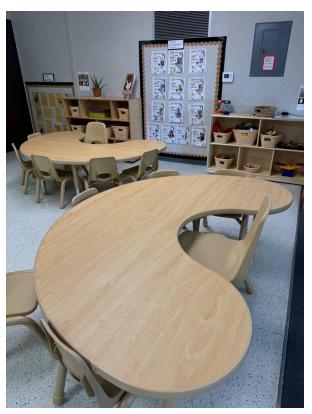
















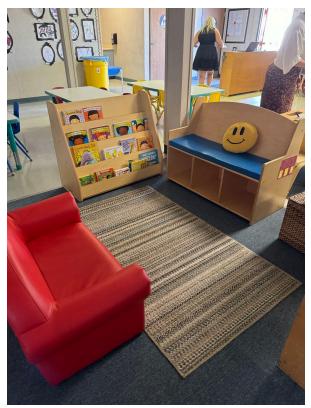


















#### BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT AT WILLOW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Willow Elementary School also held their Back to School Night on Wednesday, August 14th. Principal Myrna Cerda shared valuable information for the 2024-2025 school year. Afterwards, parents had an opportunity to visit their child's classroom and teacher. A special thank you to Willow Elementary School staff and Principal Myrna Cerda for all of their efforts in creating a beautiful and successful Back to School Night for parents and students!































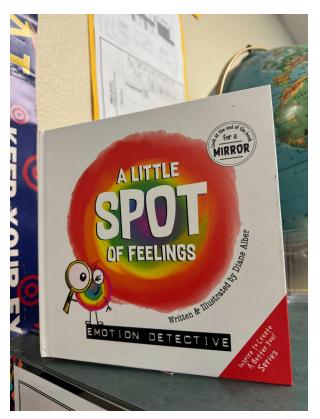




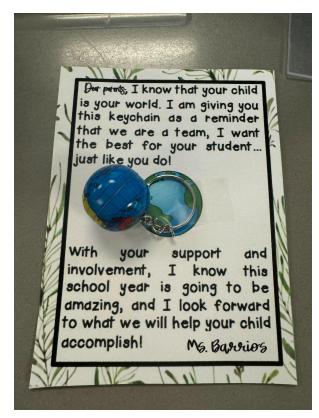








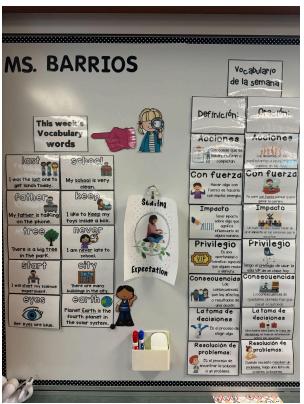




















































## **OUR DISTRICT WELCOMES NEW BUS DRIVER MARCELA MORA-ROBLES**

We are excited to announce that our Maintenance, Operation, Transportation, and Facilities department has a new member! We happily welcome our new bus driver Marcela Mora-Robles to our team! Marcela began working this week at our district.



## RECOMMITTING AND REIMAGINING WORKSHOP FOR EDUCATORS

On Friday, August 16, district Dual Language teachers gathered at San Ysidro Middle School to rededicate and recommit to the principles of the Dual Language Program Handbook which was recreated last year by the Dual Language Task Force. Our Coordinator of Federal and State Programs and Language Acquisition Ms. Connie Rodriguez and staff from the San Diego County Office of Education led the discussion around our SYSD DLP Model: In our commitment we recognized that fully biliterate students, especially English Learners benefit and thrive academically.

A special thanks to our Board Vice President Zenaida Rosario for her vision and field expertise. We also thank the Educational Services staff for coordinating a truly inspirational event! ¡Que vivan los maestros y los alumnos de San Ysidro!











































Kindergarten Team



First Grade Team



Grade Two Team



Grade Three Team



Grade Four Team



Grade Five Teame



Six Grade Team



Grade Seven & Eight Team and Site Admin



## Plan Local de Educación Especial del Condado Sur (SELPA)

#### Oficina SELPA



680 L Street Ste. E Chula Vista, CA 91911

Oficina principal: 619-470-5252 https://www.sdcoe.net/scselpa

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#### **ESCUELA SELPA:**

Davila Day School 619-427-5626

#### **DISTRITOS MIEMBROS:**

Chula Vista Elementary School District 619-425-9600 ext. 181700

Coronado Unified

**School District** 619-522-8900 ext. 1038

Hope Infant Family

Support Program 858-290-5977

National School District 619-336-7743 San Ysidro School District 619-428-4476 ext. 3057

> South Bay Union School District 619-598-8129

Sweetwater Union High School District 619-796-7500

San Diego County Office of Education 858-290-5964



## Padres AYUDANDO A Padres

Apoyando a familias con hijos con necesidades especiales



## ¿Qué es un Enlace para padres de educación especial?

- Completó una capacitación extensa para ayudar a los padres de niños con necesidades especiales de bebés a los 22 años.
- Más de 45 años de experiencia conjunta
- Tiene hijo(a) con necesidades especiales
- Bilingüe (español/inglés)
- Asesor neutral y confidencial

## ¿Cómo lo puede apoyar un Enlace para padres de educación especial?

- Ayuda a los padres a comprender las necesidades especiales de su hijo(a)
- Escucha y brinda apoyo cuando hay inquietudes sobre la educación
- Asiste a las juntas de IEP si usted lo solicita
- Facilita la colaboración entre padres de

## ¿En dónde estamos localizados?

#### SELPA del Sur del Condado

680 L Street, Suite E Chula Vista, CA 91911

Llámenos al 619-470-5252 y pida hablar con un Enlace para padres de educación especial.

## ¡Estamos aquí para usted!

Ofrecemos apoyo por teléfono y videollamadas, y también con visitas al hogar, en la comunidad, y en nuestra oficina.

## Es un servicio gratuito.





## South County Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA)

#### **SELPA Office**



680 L Street Ste. E Chula Vista, CA 91911 Main Office: 619-470-5252 https://www.sdcoe.net/scselpa

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#### **SELPA SCHOOL:**

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## Parent Parent

Supporting families of children with special needs



## What is a Special **Education Parent** Liaison?

- Has completed extensive training to assist parents of children who have special needs from birth to age 22
- Has over 45 years of combined experience
- Is a parent of child with special needs
- Is bilingual (Spanish/English)
- Is a neutral and confidential adviser

## How can a Special **Education Parent** Liaison support you?

- Assist parents in understanding their child's special needs
- Listen to and support your educational concerns
- Attend IEP meetings at your request
- Support collaboration between parents

## Where are we located?

#### South County SELPA

680 L Street, Suite E Chula Vista, CA 91911

Call us at 619-470-5252 and ask for a special education parent liaison.

## We are here for you!

We offer support through phone and video calls as well as home, community, and office visits.

## Services provided free of charge.



## ¿Cuáles son los beneficios de la RAC?

- GRATIS: La RAC proporciona servicios gratuitos y neutrales sin costo para las partes interesadas.
- CONFIDENCIAL: La RAC es un proceso confidencial y voluntario.
- RÁPIDO Y CONVENIENTE: Las partes que eligen participar en la RAC reciben resolución a nivel local y de manera rápida.
- RESULTADOS COLABORATIVOS: Las familias y los equipos escolares trabajan juntos para establecer acuerdos mutuos a través de una planificación proactiva e integricado.
- PROTECCIÓN LEGAL: Las familias man tienen sus derechos a un debido proceso de conformidad con la Ley de Educación para Personas con Discapacidades (IDEA).
- INDIVIDUALIZACIÓN: Las sesiones de RAC se personalizan para satisfacer situaciones y necesidades únicas de todas las partes involucradas.

## ¿Cómo empiezo el proceso de RAC?

Llene el formulario de referencia de Google que se encuentra en: www.sdcoe.net/scselpa-adr o si no puede acceder al formulario, llame al 619-470-5252 para recibir ayuda.

## ¿Es obligatorio el RAC?

No, la participación en el RAC es voluntaria y se basa tanto en que los padres como el Distrito quieran llegar a un acuerdo. Los padres pueden decidir dejar el proceso en cualquier momento.



#### INFORMACIÓN DE CONTACTO

Oficina de SELPA 680 L Street Ste. E Chula Vista, CA 91911 Oficina Principal: 619-470-5252 www.sdcoe.net/scselpa-adr



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# Resolución Alternativa de Conflictos





### ¿Qué es la RAC? (Resolución Alternativa de Conflictos)

La RAC es un proceso voluntario para resolver conflictos sobre educación especial en un entorno neutral, respetuoso y afectuoso. Utiliza comunicación clara, colaboración, negociación y mediación para producir un acuerdo justo que satisfaga los intereses de todas las partes involucradas. El proceso de RAC permite a las partes llegar a un resultado innovador y aceptable para ambas partes.

## ¿Por qué debería elegir la RAC?

RAC es para familias y distritos que desean trabajar juntos para resolver desacuerdos y crear relaciones de trabajo colaborativo que beneficien al estudiato.





## **Servicios que Proporcionamos\***

#### **OPCIONES INFORMALES:**

- Padres Recurso: Los asistentes de recursos brindan información y apoyo a las familias en educación especial
- Revisión Neutral de Caso por Parte de SELPA: Revisión por una parte neutral que puede incluir revisión de expedientes, observación del estudiante/entorno, y/o comunicación oral para ofrecer un análisis del área de preocupación actual
- Apoyo Neutral de SELPA al IEP: Recomendado cuando la reunión del IEP se beneficiaría del apoyo adicional de una parte neutral para solicitar aclaraciones y para asegurar una comunicación positiva recíproca

#### **OPCIONES FORMALES:**

- IEP Facilitado (SELPA o un tercero): La parte neutral facilitará una reunión formal del IEP para abordar las preocupaciones relacionadas con el IEP
- Mediación de Resolución Temprana de Conflictos: Un mediador capacitado trabaja con los padres y distritos para resolver un posible conflicto en la oportunidad más temprana
- Reunión de Resolución Facilitada: Un facilitador neutral ayuda a las partes a llevar a cabo de manera colaborativa la reunión de resolución legalmente requerida

\* ver sitio web para más información

## **Benefits of ADR?**

- FREE: ADR provides free, neutral services at no cost to interested parties
- CONFIDENTIAL: The ADR process is confidential and voluntary
- FAST AND CONVENIENT: Parties choosing to engage in ADR receive resolution at the local level and in a timely manner
- COLLABORATIVE RESULTS: Families and school teams work together to establish mutual agreements through proactive and intentional planning
- LEGAL PROTECTION: Families maintain rights to due process under Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA)
- INDIVIDUALIZATION: ADR sessions are customized to meet unique situations and needs of all involved parties

## How do I start the **ADR Process?**

Complete the Google referral form found at www.sdcoe.net/scselpa-adr or if unable to access the form, call 619-470-5252 for assistance

## Is ADR Mandatory?

No, participation in ADR is voluntary and based upon both the parents and the District wanting to reach agreement. Parents may withdraw from the process at any time.



#### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

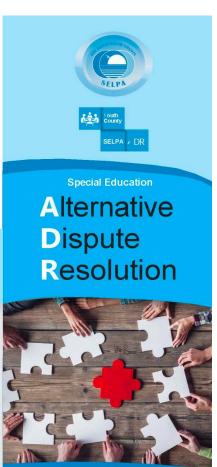
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### What is ADR? (Alternative Dispute Resolution)

ADR is a voluntary process for resolving special education conflict in a neutral, respectful, and caring environment. It uses clear communication, collaboration, negotiation, and mediation to produce a fair agreement that meets the interest of all parties involved. The ADR process allows the parties to come up with an innovative and jointly agreeable outcome.

## Why Should You Choose ADR?

ADR is for families and districts who want to work together to resolve disagreements and create collaborative working relationships that benefit the student.



## Services We Provide\*

#### **INFORMAL ADR OPTIONS:**

- Resource Parent Support: Resource assistants provide information and support to families in Special Education
- Neutral SELPA Case Review: A neutral party review that may include records review, observation or student and/or environment, and/or verbal communication to provide an analysis of the current area of concern
- Neutral SELPA IEP Support: Recommended when the IEP meeting would benefit from the added support of a neutral to ask for clarification and to ensure positive reciprocal communication

#### FORMAL ADR OPTIONS:

- Facilitated IEP (SELPA or Third Party): A Neutral will facilitate a formal IEP meeting to address concerns related to the IEP
- Early Dispute Resolution Mediation: A trained mediator works with parents and districts to resolve a prospective dispute at the earliest opportunity
- Facilitated Resolution Meeting: A neutral facilitator(s) helps parties complete the legally required resolution meeting in a collaborative manner
  - \* see website for more information

### **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

## **UPCOMING DATES**

EVENT	DATE	LOCATION
Parent English as a Second Language Classes Begin	Monday, August 26, 2024	San Ysidro School District Parent Center
Labor Day - Holiday	Monday, September 2, 2024	District Office and Schools Closed
Progress Report #1 (Middle Schools)	Friday, September 20, 2024	
Fall Break	Monday, September 23, 2024 - Monday, October 7, 2024	All Schools
Students Return from Fall Break	Tuesday, October 8, 2024	All Schools
Veteran's Day - Holiday	Monday, November 11, 2024	District Office and Schools Closed
Progress Report #1 (Elementary Schools)	Week of November 18, 2024 - November 22, 2024	

## **SYSD SCHOOLS WEEKLY BULLETINS**

Link: https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1sKiLpBSZmxlqnhLTJTE1eF6k2kP2Rb7l

## BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT SCHEDULE 2024

Day/Date	School	Start/End Time with Detailed Schedule Ex: 4:00 - 4:30 p.m. Principal Welcome and Presentation 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. Classroom Visits
Friday, August 2, 2024	Ocean View Hills Preschool	3:30-5:00 p.m. Welcome combined with Classroom Visits
Friday, August 2, 2024	Ocean View Hills Elementary School	3:00-5:00 p.m. Principal Welcome / Presentation and Class Visits
Wednesday, August 14, 2024	Child Development Center	3:30-5:00 p.m. Welcome combined with Classroom Visits
Wednesday, August 14, 2024	Willow Elementary School	4:00-4:30 p.m. Principal Welcome/Presentation 4:30-5:30 PM Classroom Visits
Wednesday, August 28, 2024	Smythe Elementary School	400-430 p.m. Presentation and resource fair 430-530 class visits
Wednesday, August 28, 2024	Sunset Preschool	3:30-5:00 p.m. Welcome combined with Classroom Visits
Wednesday, August 28, 2024	Sunset Elementary School	3:30-5:00 p.m. Welcome combined with Classroom Visits
Thursday, August 29, 2024	Vista Del Mar Middle School	4:00-4:30 p.m. Principal Welcome / Presentation 4:30-6:00 pm Class Visits
Thursday, August 29, 2024	La Mirada Elementary School	3:00-4:00 p.m. Resource Fair/Principal Presentation 4:00-5:00 Classroom Visits
Thursday, August 29, 2024	San Ysidro Middle School	4:00-4:30 p.m. Principal Welcome / Presentation 4:30-6:00 pm Class Visit

Our district and the YMCA continue to hold exciting collaborations, including our Innovación program, the groundbreaking before and after school program redefining educational enrichment and student opportunities.

The word Innovación refers to a process where new ideas and services are introduced that have positive and significant value. Innovación is determined by curiosity, creativity, and desire to improve. Innovación can lead to social progress and provide new opportunities. From empowering academics to exhilarating sports, artistic expression to fostering social-emotional intelligence, every moment at Innovación is a journey of discovery. Rooted in inclusivity, we celebrate diversity and embrace every learner, ensuring a vibrant community where all can thrive. Join us in shaping tomorrow's leaders, one transformative experience at a time. Welcome to Innovación, where every child's curiosity, creativity, and desire to improve will be nurtured and celebrated.



