



# San Ysidro

School District **EST - 1887**

QUALITY EDUCATION AND OPPORTUNITY FOR ALL STUDENTS TO SUCCEED

## District Highlights

Superintendent - Gina Potter, Ed.D.

Week of September 15, 2023

### **SUPERINTENDENT**

Gina Potter, Ed.D.



**All Schools Closed September 25th - October 9th, 2023**

**District Office Closed September 25th-29th, 2023**

**Students Return on Tuesday, October 10th**

**FALL BREAK: Time to Rest, Relax & Rejuvenate!**

Dear SYSD Family,

As we begin Fall Break I want to sincerely thank our staff, students, and parents for the hard work you have all done to make the first part of our school year a successful one. I sincerely wish you all a restful and relaxing two week break from school.

Warmly,

Gina Potter, Ed.D.  
Superintendent

## **BOARD MEMBER ANTONIO MARTINEZ VISITS THE MAINTENANCE AND CHILD NUTRITION DEPARTMENTS AT WILLOW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

A day in the life of a maintenance team member. That was the goal for Board Member Antonio Martinez, as he visited Willow Elementary School on Friday, September 15th. Board Member Martinez had the opportunity to shadow our maintenance department and learn about their day to day duties. Board Member Martinez also spent some time with the Willow child nutrition department staff greeting students as they walked in to get their lunches.

A special thank you to Willow School Principal, Maria Connie Rodriguez, Assistant Superintendent Dr. Iniguez, the maintenance team, and Willow child nutritional team for hosting Board Member Antonio Martinez!

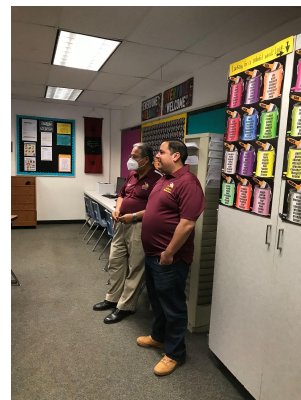






## BOARD MEMBER ANTONIO MARTINEZ VISITS SAN YSIDRO MIDDLE SCHOOL TO PARTICIPATE IN THE SURVIVING AN ACTIVE ASSAILANT INCIDENT STAFF TRAINING

On Friday, September 15th, Board Member Antonio Martinez visited San Ysidro Middle School. He was greeted by San Ysidro Middle School Principal Manuel Bojorquez and Assistant Principal Mairén Ruiz. Board Member Martinez showed his appreciation for the beautiful sidewalk chalk art created by our students in celebration of Mexican Independence Day. He also participated in Module 2 of the Active Assailant Incident Staff Training.







## SMYTHE STUDENTS ABOARD USS MIDWAY FOR AN IMMERSIVE LEARNING ADVENTURE

Students from Smythe Elementary School were all smiles as they boarded the USS Midway Museum to be part of the "Everyday Heroes Tour," on Monday, September 11th.

All second grade students from La Mirada, Smythe, Sunset, Willow, and Ocean View Hills Elementary will be participating in this wonderful immersive and educational experience onboard the decommissioned aircraft carrier USS Midway CV-41.



The field trips are social studies and math focused, they offer visuals and fun activities for everyone onboard. A special thank you to the San Diego Downtown Breakfast Rotary for their generosity and for making this joyous experience possible.







### **NATIONAL SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AWARENESS MONTH**

In an effort to increase student attendance and keep it consistent throughout the year, our schools dedicate this month to providing parents with information and resources that will assist them in improving their child's attendance.

Throughout the month, our San Ysidro School District schools engage in fun-filled activities and friendly competitions to help build a sense of community, and both our students and staff are encouraged to participate in our school "Spirit Week" activities.

Smythe Elementary kicked-off their "Fun Friday" activities with a water cup challenge, a musical chair competition, and a kids favorite; the potato sack races. "Spirit Week" also encourages student participation by having pajama day, crazy hair day, crazy hats day, favorite character day, and Mexican spirit day.







### **ALL SYSD FLAGS AT HALF-STAFF ON 9/11**

San Ysidro School District placed its flags at half-staff on Monday, September 11th, in honor of the individuals who lost their lives on September 11th, 2001. The President of our nation, Joseph R. Biden has proclaimed September 11th, 2023, as Patriot Day and National Day of Service and Remembrance.

Please click on the link to access the President's Proclamation on Patriot Day and National Day of Services and Remembrance, 2023:

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/presidential-actions/2023/09/08/a-proclamation-on-patriot-day-and-national-day-of-service-and-remembrance-2023/>



### **SPECIAL EDUCATION - CRISIS PREVENTION INSTITUTE TRAINING**

On Wednesday, September 13th, our bus instructional aides received training by Behavior Specialist, Marianna Rochin and Special Education Resource Teacher, Josefina Villegas who provided them with the skills and knowledge to safely recognize and respond to various levels of student behavior needs.

CPI training teaches staff how to manage their own behaviors to influence a positive outcome during a crisis, as well as how to maximize safety and minimize harm.





## UPCOMING DATES

EVENT	DATE/TIME	LOCATION
<b>Fall Break</b>	September 25, 2023 through Monday, October 9, 2023	No school
<b>Certificated Professional Development Day</b>	Monday, October 9, 2023	San Ysidro Middle School
<b>First Day back from Fall Break</b>	Tuesday, October 10, 2023	All students return to school
<b>Thanksgiving Break</b>	Monday, November 20th, 2023 through Friday, November 24th, 2023	No school
<b>First Day back from Thanksgiving Break</b>	Monday, November 27th, 2023	All students return to school

## 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>