

District Highlights

Superintendent - Gina Potter, Ed.D. Week of September 4, 2020

SUPERINTENDENT

EVENTFUL WEEK!

Having now completed 3 weeks of school, virtual teacher/student activity is now in full swing at every school site. Teachers and students seem to have gotten into a routine and, hopefully, a habit of logging in daily for classes and learning. We sincerely thank our teachers for being that magic that has made learning come alive virtually this year!

Last week, Smythe kicked off the Virtual Back To School presentations for our parents and students. The week of September 4th featured San Ysidro Middle School and it's Back to School virtual event. The principal, assistant principal, teachers and staff did an amazing job! I had the opportunity to visit several classroom presentations by our teachers at both SYMS and Smythe and WOW did they do a great job! They provided information to parents and students on the importance of logging in and participating in class everyday as well as presenting the expectations, curriculum, grading systems and more.

SYMS' Virtual Back to School was featured on CBS8 News and the CW Thursday night by reporter Abbie Alford. Principal Rodriguez was interviewed for the story and did a fantastic job!

DISTRICT CLOSED MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 7TH: Labor Day

There was no school and our district office was closed on Monday, September 7th in observance of Labor Day. Online classes resumed on Tuesday, September 8th.

COVID-19 PREVENTION PLANS FOR SCHOOLS

Our COVID-19 prevention plans have been translated to Spanish and posted on every school webpage. They can also be found on our district webpage.

District Office

English

https://www.sysdschools.org/cms/lib/CA02206824/Centricity/Domain/741/COVID-19%20Prevention%20Plan%20For%20District%20Schools%20-%20Board%208-13-20%20Revised.pdf

Child Development Center COVID Prevention Plan:

English

https://ca02206824.schoolwires.net/cms/lib/CA02206824/Centricity/Domain/14/CDC%20-%20FINAL%20CO VID-19%20Prevention%20Plan%20-%20ENG.pdf

Spanish

https://ca02206824.schoolwires.net/cms/lib/CA02206824/Centricity/Domain/14/CDC%20-%20FINAL%20COVID-19%20Prevention%20Plan%20-%20SPAN.pdf

La Mirada COVID Prevention Plan

English

https://ca02206824.schoolwires.net/cms/lib/CA02206824/Centricity/Domain/8/La%20Mirada%20-%20FINAL%20COVID-19%20Prevention%20Plan%20-%20ENG.pdf

Spanish

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Ocean View Hills COVID Prevention Plan

English

https://ca02206824.schoolwires.net/cms/lib/CA02206824/Centricity/Domain/10/OVHS%20-%20FINAL%20COVID-19%20Prevention%20Plan%20-%20ENG.pdf

Spanish

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Smythe COVID Prevention Plan

English

https://ca02206824.schoolwires.net/cms/lib/CA02206824/Centricity/Domain/9/Smythe%20-%20FINAL%20COVID-19%20Prevention%20Plan%20-%20ENG.pdf

Spanish

https://ca02206824.schoolwires.net/cms/lib/CA02206824/Centricity/Domain/9/Smythe%20-%20FINAL%20C OVID-19%20Prevention%20Plan%20-%20SPAN.pdf

Sunset COVID Prevention Plan

English

https://ca02206824.schoolwires.net/cms/lib/CA02206824/Centricity/Domain/11/Sunset%20-%20FINAL%20COVID-19%20Prevention%20Plan%20-%20ENG.pdf

Spanish

https://ca02206824.schoolwires.net/cms/lib/CA02206824/Centricity/Domain/11/Sunset%20-%20FINAL%20 COVID-19%20Prevention%20Plan%20-%20SPAN.pdf

Willow COVID Prevention Plan

English

https://ca02206824.schoolwires.net/cms/lib/CA02206824/Centricity/Domain/12/Willow%20-%20FINAL%20COVID-19%20Prevention%20Plan%20-%20ENG.pdf

Spanish

https://ca02206824.schoolwires.net/cms/lib/CA02206824/Centricity/Domain/12/Willow%20-%20FINAL%20COVID-19%20Prevention%20Plan%20-%20SPAN.pdf

San Ysidro Middle School COVID Prevention Plan

English

https://ca02206824.schoolwires.net/cms/lib/CA02206824/Centricity/Domain/15/SYMS%20-%20FINAL%20COVID-19%20Prevention%20Plan%20-%20ENG.pdf

Spanish

https://ca02206824.schoolwires.net/cms/lib/CA02206824/Centricity/Domain/15/SYMS%20-%20FINAL%20COVID-19%20Prevention%20Plan%20-%20SPAN.pdf

Vista Del Mar Middle School COVID Prevention Plan

English

https://ca02206824.schoolwires.net/cms/lib/CA02206824/Centricity/Domain/13/VDM%20FINAL%20COVID-19%20Prevention%20Plan%20For%20%20Schools%20-%20Board%208-13-20.pdf

Spanish

https://ca02206824.schoolwires.net/cms/lib/CA02206824/Centricity/Domain/13/VDM%20-%20Plan%20de% 20prevencion%20COVID-19%20Espanol.pdf

COVID 19-UPDATES, SCHOOLS REOPENING INFORMATION & RESOURCES

CBS 8 News Article - All San Diego County schools can re-open on September 1 if they choose to (Dated 8-25-20)

https://www.cbs8.com/article/news/education/learning-curve/san-diego-schools-re-open-september-1/509-7a1aaa3c-40b9-4be4-9f00-cb2c3029b607

SDCOE Article Re: Countywide School Reopening Questions

https://www.sdcoe.net/news/Pages/Schools-Allowed-to-Reopen-Sept-1-2020.aspx

SCHOOL YOUTUBE CHANNELS

YouTube channels for each of our schools have been created to broadcast Virtual Back to School presentations and future school wide events. A big thank you to Mr. Todd

Lewis, his team and Miguel Ortega for helping the principals set up their school YouTube channels.

San Ysidro Middle:School - YouTube Channel

• https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC0HGBTz_WEIDug5ePQiqd3Q?view_as=subscriber

Vista Del Mar Middle School - YouTube Channel

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCSH206uGNivf7gId2NG5 qg?view as=subscriber

La Mirada School - YouTube Channel

• https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCEPiBsdHgeClFuH9RrYywxQ?view-as=subscriber

Willow School - YouTube Channel

• https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCFtWC0MWUP-j-5dc9EbS9kQ?view_as=subscriber

Sunset School - YouTube Channel

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCb0Pkie9E88CgFXtb0iBX4w?view_as=subscriber

Child Development Center - School - YouTube Channel

• https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCK519IFLOFVmD3QjohchPFQ?view_as=subscriber

OVHS School - YouTube Channel

• https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCxrV2VnAShrb3LQAbLdqlRg/featured

Smythe School - YouTube Channel

• https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCTi0DrQ3Kcw3m03pLi7aumg/videos

VIRTUAL BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT SCHEDULE

Please click on the link to view the Virtual Back to School Night Schedule:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1OY2daVx7ZjoaCgkxyMNoWLoSqzx_ykrZvnw6GUWB-9U/edit?usp=sharing

SAN YSIDRO MIDDLE SCHOOL - VIRTUAL BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT

Congratulations to Mrs. Rodriquez, Mrs. Preciado, teachers and staff of San Ysidro Middle School for a great Virtual Back to School event on Thursday, September 3rd!

Thank you for all your hard work that made this event a great success and was very informative for our parents!

The district wide schedule for Virtual Back to School Night events at each of our schools can be found in the link above. These events began on August 27th and will run through September 23rd.

Please click on the link to watch the San Ysidro Middle School Virtual Back to School Night presentations:

- Principal, Maria Connie Rodriguez, and Assistant Principal Maria Preciado, Introduction & Presentation: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gjkAramSAC8
- Introduction SYMS Teachers and Staff for 2020-2021: https://www.voutube.com/watch?v=eiX2Ostf1dk&t=52s



REGULAR VIRTUAL ZOOM BOARD MEETING: Thurs., Sept. 17th @ 5pm - Change of Location - Virtual Zoom Board Meeting

On Thursday, September 17th 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.

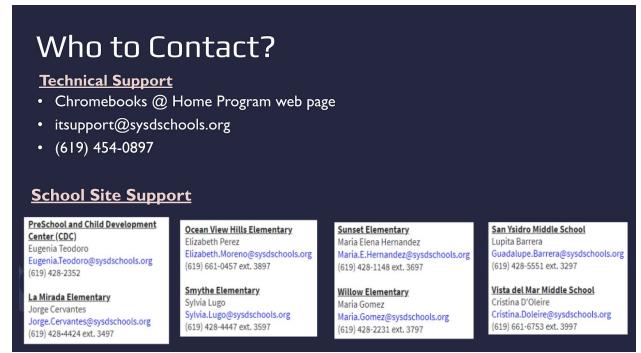
DISTRICT MANAGEMENT TEAM MEMBER CONTACT INFORMATION

Our school, department and district administrators are here to help support students, families and staff. If you need help or have a question please contact either your child's teacher, your immediate supervisor, call the school/department office and leave a voice message for a return call within 24 business hours, or a school/department administrator by email or work phone. Contact information for our dedicated

administrative team is below and they are committed to working to try to respond to your voice message or email within 24 hours on business days.

https://docs.google.com/document/d/e/2PACX-1vTF2MSFXFZozUlbgxeLCRGdp08jY5CiMQ4jbghjneNfCMMArufxPl47l658DvnvO0QxpeqX5arlMbNx/pub

TECHNOLOGY HELP LINE & SCHOOL SITE SUPPORT



EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

LEARNING CONTINUITY AND ATTENDANCE PLAN

The Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan was designed to provide district level information for how student learning continuity will be addressed during COVID 19 crisis during the 20-21 school year. This plan will replace the LCAP for the 2020-2021 school year, please click the link to see the template for the plan:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1OLqJ-VPkkfqgrjUUcC5fixFQCkiJDFHe/view?usp=sharing

The timeline for the plan is as follows:

Date	Action		
September 8, 2020	SDCOE review of plan		
September 10, 2020	Presentation to BoardPublic Hearing		
September 17, 2020	Adoption of plan by Board		
September 30, 2020	Deadline for submission of board approved plan		

EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY UPDATE

The department has been focused on ensuring student access to the digital platform through the distribution of Chromebooks, internet support, hotspots, and technology troubleshooting for parents and families. The chart shows the progress we have made with meeting these goals and the anticipated timeline to be at 1:1 devices and access for all students.

Action	Progress
Chromebook Distribution	 3,200 devices distributed Delivery of 2,171 chromebooks to arrive and be ready for distribution by TBD
Internet Connectivity	 As of our 2nd family survey 90% of families had internet access 1,100 Hot Spots pending arrival to be distributed to families in need living in areas with limited or no service to be available by TBD
Technology Support	Support for Families provided by Tech Department and Resource Teachers

Additionally, the department has been focused on supporting teachers with instructional technology issues. This work includes a pending upgrade of Google Suite products to Google Enterprise which will include more features in Google Meets for teachers to use during instruction. The department has also ordered a limited number of logitech cameras and HP laptops to replace teacher devices that are not working well. The chart below gives you a snapshot of the timeline for this work:

Action	Anticipated Completion Date		
Update to Google Enterprise	System will be upgraded by TBD		
Logitech Cameras	Delivery of 320 cameras to arrive and be ready for distribution by TBD		
HP Laptops	103 HP laptops arrived and will be ready for distribution soon. This first order of laptops will be distributed to teachers. 250 additional laptops will be ordered for staff.		
Technology & Work Orders	Ongoing by Tech Department		
Educational Technology Support Resource Teachers & Todd Lewis			

HUMAN RESOURCES

SYSD OFFICE SCHEDULE

We have opened our District office and school offices with limited hours to provide help and support to our families during this challenging school year.

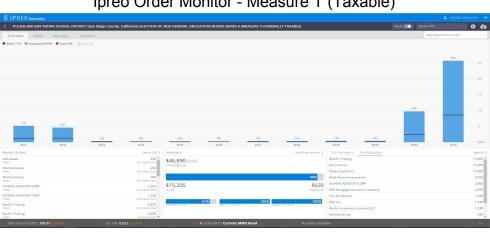
District & School Offices Open for Family Support						
	Campus Hours of Operation					
Location	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
District						
Office	1pm - 5pm	1pm - 5pm	1pm - 5pm	1pm - 5pm	8am - 12pm	

| CDC | 8am - 12:30pm |
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| VDM | 9am - 1pm |
| SYMS | 8:30am - 12:30pm |
| Willow | 8am - 12pm |
| Smythe | 8am - 2pm |
| La Mirada | 8:30am - 12:30pm |
| Sunset | 7:30am - 1pm |
| OVHS | 8am - 12:20pm |

BUSINESS SERVICES

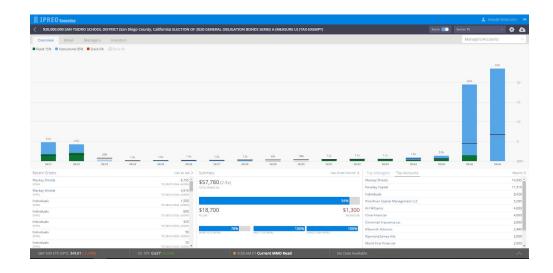
MEASURES T & U BOND SALE UPDATE: Great News!!!

It is with great excitement to share this wonderful news. On Thursday this week at 11:30 am, the bonds for measures T & U were sold. Total amounts sold are as follows: Measure T \$15.83 million and Measure U \$20 million. The screenshots below show the first few hours as the bonds were in the process of being sold. Measures T & U are primarily for school facilities and construction projects.



Ipreo Order Monitor - Measure T (Taxable)

Ipreo Order Monitor - Measure U (Tax-Exempt)



FREE MEAL PROGRAM FOR ALL CHILDREN 1 TO 18 YEARS OLD IN SAN YSIDRO/SERVICIO DE COMIDAS GRATIS PARA NIÑOS DE 1 A 18 AÑOS EN SAN YSIDRO

USDA's Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) is extending a suite of nationwide waivers for the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) and Seamless Summer Option (SSO) through the end of 2020, or until available funding runs out. This includes allowing SFSP and SSO meals to be served in all areas and at no cost; permitting meals to be served outside of the typically-required group settings and meal times; waiving meal pattern requirements as necessary; and allowing parents and guardians to pick-up meals for their children.

FREE MEAL PROGRAM FOR ALL CHILDREN 1 TO 18 YEARS OLD IN SAN YSIDRO

Free breakfast & lunch will be distributed for ALL CHILDREN 1 to 18 years old **one day each week at 3 school sites.** Multiple days' worth of meals will be distributed each week. The schedule will be as follows:

Date & Time School Sites

Every Wednesday Willow Elementary

11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. La Mirada Elementary

San Ysidro Middle School

Meals for each child will include breakfast and lunch for multiple days. **Student is NOT** required to be present to pick up their meals.

Meals will be served in a "Grab and Go" style. Please wear a face covering when picking up your meals.

SERVICIO DE COMIDAS GRATIS PARA NIÑOS DE 1 A 18 AÑOS EN SAN YSIDRO

El desayuno y almuerzo gratis se distribuirán a TODOS LOS NIÑOS de 1 a 18 años **un día a la semana en 3 escuelas**. Se distribuirán comidas para varios días cada semana. El horario será el siguiente:

<u>Día y Hora</u> <u>Sitio de la escuela</u>

Cada miécoles Willow Elementary
11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. La Mirada Elementary
San Ysidro Middle School

Las comidas para cada niño incluirán desayuno y almuerzo por varios días. **NO se requiere** que el estudiante(s) esté presente para recoger sus comidas.

Las comidas se servirán al estilo "Grab and Go", donde la persona recoge los alimentos y se retira. Favor de usar un cubrebocas al recoger su comida.

Photos of SYMS Meal Distribution







NEWS & COMMUNITY RELATIONS

SAN YSIDRO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE MET ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4TH.

Under the guidance of Committee Chair, Cynthia Nagara, the leadership committee met to discuss the 2 main Task Force focus areas this year; Family Wrap Around Services and Educational Needs for our San Ysidro children and families. Among the essential topics discussed were free food distributions and supporting our parents and students who are struggling with Distance Learning (this includes internet access, basic computer knowledge, school supplies and tutoring).

FREE COVID-19 TESTING INFORMATION/INFORMACIÓN SOBRE PRUEBA GRATIS PARA COVID-19





Free COVID-19 Testing Guide South Bay and Southeastern San Diego

If you have symptoms of COVID-19, please contact your healthcare provider first to get a free test. If you have no symptoms of COVID, you may get a free test through the SD County by appointment only (with the exception of Tubman-Chavez Community Center) at the following locations:









San Ysidro Civic Center 212 West Park Ave San Ysidro, CA 92173 Hours: Tuesday – Saturday 7 AM - 7 PM



National City, CA 91950 Hours: Tuesday - Saturday 7 AM - 7 PM

Chula Vista (Old Sears building)
565 Broadway
Chula Vista, CA 91910
Hours: Tuesday - Saturday
7 AM - 7 PM

Aquatica San Diego 2052 Entertainment Cir Chula Vista, CA 91911 Hours: Monday – Friday 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM

Mar Vista High School 505 Elm Avenue Imperial Beach, CA 91932 Hours: Monday – Friday 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM



Kimball Senior Center 1221 D Avenue

National City, CA 91950 Hours: Tuesday – Saturday 7 AM - 7 PM



Euclid Health Center 4400 Euclid Avenue

San Diego, CA 92115 Hours: Saturdays 9 AM - 3 PM



St. Anthony's of Padua Parking Lot 410 W 18th St

National City, CA 91950 Hours: Sunday 10 AM - 2 PM

County Fire – Bonita Fire Station 4900 Bonita Road Bonita, CA 91902

Hours: August 19 and August 31 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM

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Tubman-Chavez Community Center 415 Euclid Avenue San Diego, CA 92114 Hours: Monday – Sunday 8:30 AM – 5:00 PM