



QUALITY EDUCATION AND OPPORTUNITY FOR ALL STUDENTS TO SUCCEED

District Highlights

Week of October 23, 2020



SUPERINTENDENT

Gina Potter, Ed.D.

SYSD BRIDGES THE DIGITAL DIVIDE!!!

San Ysidro School District has successfully closed the digital divide for all of our students! Every student who needed a device and/or internet access now has the technology to actively participate in our Distance Learning Academy. Thanks to the hard work of our technology team and staff at each of our schools we distributed 3705 Chromebooks to students who needed a device to equitably participate in our online instructional programs. Our administration and staff worked tirelessly and diligently to ensure that every student in our district is technologically equipped with a Chromebook and internet access to continue their education through distance learning.

We are very proud of our students for working hard to login to their classes everyday as our districtwide average daily attendance with our Distance Learning Academy this year has been 94%! Fantastic job students!!! Our San Ysidro School District family has truly embraced the humanitarian cause of working "TOGETHER" or "JUNTOS" to ensure our students, their families and our community make it through this COVID pandemic.

CONGRATULATIONS STUDENTS FOR ACHIEVING 94% ATTENDANCE IN OUR DISTANCE LEARNING ACADEMY!

Our district is so proud of our students for attending school everyday online! Currently, our year-to-date district-wide attendance average is 94.42%. SYSD is dedicated to the entire well being of our students by considering all possible situations that may lead to an absence. If a student is marked as absent, an automated call is made to their registered phone number. If a student's attendance continues to diminish, dedicated staff from the school site reach out to families to inquire about the accumulated absences. SYSD has established a protocol to re-engage students and families. In our effort to re-engage a family, we offer district services and may refer families to community based organizations which offer additional services.

BOARD MEMBER VISIT OF THE LA MIRADA CAMPUS

On Thursday, October 22nd Governing Board President, Humberto Gurmilan, Board Vice President, Antonio Martinez, and Board Member, Irene Lopez, toured La Mirada Elementary to get a first hand look at all the safety measures that have been implemented in anticipation of having students and teachers back on campus in January. As the district prepares for our Blended Learning phase of the Instructional Program, we are making sure all our schools are safe, secure and ready to have students and teachers safely back in the classrooms.

The guide for the tour was Mr. Paulo Azevedo, Director of Maintenance, Operations, Transportation & Facilities, whose team was responsible for all the safety measures implemented and installed in schools throughout our district. Joining the tour were Superintendent, Dr. Gina Potter, Assistant Superintendent, Dr. David Farkas, Chief Business Official, Marilyn Adrianzen, La Mirada Principal, Mrs. Laura English and Coordinator, Public Relations & Community Services, Francisco Mata. The tour also included a first time look at the 2 new mini soccer pitches on La Mirada's playground. A soccer match almost took place among the tour participants!!



LONG RANGE MASTER FACILITY PLAN (LRMFP) - VIRTUAL TOWN HALLS AS SPECIAL BOARD MEETINGS

The district hosted its second Virtual Town Hall on Tuesday, October 6th and focused on Willow, Sunset & Beyer facility needs. These meetings are scheduled to gather input from parents, staff and the community which will assist us in the development of the Long Range Master Facility Plan. These meetings will be conducted as special board meetings in the event we reach a quorum. To view October 1st and October 6th meetings please click on links below:

Smythe, La Mirada & Preschool - Long Range Master Facility Plan Virtual Town Hall -YouTube Link: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QRIRCHNx-z8</u>

Willow, Sunset & Beyer - Long Range Master Facility Plan Virtual Town Hall -YouTube Link: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HQfRoFr8fp8</u>

Please see the schedule below of LRMFP Virtual Town Hall dates.

LRMFP	Date	Time
Smythe, La Mirada & Preschool - Long Range Master Facility Plan Virtual Town Hall Via Zoom with public comments Please click on the link to view the board presentation for this meeting: https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/e/2PAC X-1vSEBHRn0rAo2FJw50HZieHAjNZdix8VsE5 H-a5VSV78Vt5Zlws3veqIUQmQPIGuuyVD43NI KJehm3du/pub?start=false&loop=false&delaym s=3000	Thursday, October 1, 2020	5:00 - 6:00 p.m.
Willow, Sunset & Beyer - Long Range Master Facility Plan Virtual Town Hall Via Zoom with public comments Please click on the link to view the board presentation for this meeting: https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/e/2PAC X-1vQ9EVaZ2QQg6MhgV-K6sKWWDEOfJDQ NvOm1MsGPPYq3AwRhFERJTX_hnL-venmVh 7uQMslfr2q3KAiM/pub?start=false&loop=false& delayms=3000	Tuesday, October 6th, 2020	5:00 - 6:00 p.m.
Ocean View Hills, Vista Del Mar & San Ysidro Middle School - Long Range Master Facility Plan Virtual Town Hall Via Zoom with public comments	Thursday, October 29, 2020	5:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Next Virtual Town Hall Meeting Flyer

SAN YSIDRO SCHOOL DISTRICT LONG RANGE MASTER FACILITY PLAN



Parents, Community Members & Staff are invited to attend this virtual public meeting.

Your opinion counts and is important to us. Please submit your input via email by 6:00 p.m. on or before Thursday, October 29, 2020 at





Thursday October 29, 2020 5:00 – 6:00 pm

Contact: Francisco Mata francisco.mata@sysdschools.org (619) 428-4476, ext. 3033

Login information:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCGyF01068pwbhe-B5xnyl-A/videos Spanish Translation: Telephone line: 1(321) 866-6374 Access code: 675 859 460#

DISTRITO ESCOLAR DE SAN YSIDRO PLAN MAESTRO DE INSTALACIONES A LARGO PLAZO

Acompáñenos a una Junta Virtual Pública

Esta junta es parte de un plan de desarrollo de varios pasos para la creación de un Plan Maestro de Instalaciones a Largo Plazo para

Ocean View Hills, Vista Del Mar y San Ysidro Middle

Los Padres, Miembros de la Comunidad y el Personal Escolar están invitados a asistir a esta junta virtual pública.

Su opinión cuenta y es importante para nosotros. Hacer favor de enviarnos su opinión mediante un correo electrónico a más tardar a las 6:00 p.m. del



jueves, 29 de octubre del 2020 a: publiccomment@sysdschools.org



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Información de Enlace:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCGyF01068pwbhe-B5xnyl-A/videos Traducción en español: Línea Telefónica: 1(321) 866-6374 Código de Accesso: 675 859 460#

REGULAR VIRTUAL ZOOM BOARD MEETING: THURS., NOV. 12 @ 5pm - Change of Location - Virtual Zoom Board Meeting

On Thursday, November 12th beginning at 5:00 p.m. there will be a Regular Board Meeting. This governing board meeting will be held virtually.

The email for public comment is: <u>publiccomment@sysdschools.org</u>. Board agendas will indicate the need for the public to submit their public comment via email at <u>publiccomment@sysdschools.org</u>. 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-1vTF2MSFXFZozUlbgxeLCRGdp08jY5CiMQ4jbghjneNfCMMArufxPl4 7I658DynvO0QxpegX5qrlMbNx/pub

EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP, PUPIL SERVICES AND SAFETY

COVID-19 TESTING FOR SCHOOL STAFF

As our district moves into phase two of our reopening plan, we would like to share with you the progress being made in COVID-19 testing for school staff. Thanks to the County of San Diego and San Diego County Office of Education, our district staff will be able to be tested for COVID-19 safely, and at no cost. On October 1st, testing sites were opened for school district employees throughout the county. These sites aim to produce results sooner than 48 hours after an individual is tested. This is helpful as it supports our number one priority of keeping all SYSD schools and facilities safe. All district employees working onsite shall test for COVID-19 every other month. All school districts countywide now have access to these COVID school personnel testing locations.

Testing Site Locations For School District Employees:

South County School Personnel Testing Site

Sweetwater Special Services (660 L St., Chula Vista, CA 91911) Starting on Oct. 1, will operate Monday-Friday from 10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.





Free COVID-19 Testing Guide School District Employees

If you have no symptoms of COVID, you may get a free test. No appointment required.

- Use cell phone to access the barcode with phone's camera
- Complete information on personal phone and submit registration
- No need for SYSD ID badge
- Provide Driver's License
- Receive document stating testing has been completed
 - Email document to david.farkas@sysdschools.org

South County School Personnel Testing Site

Sweetwater Special Services 660 L St Chula Vista, CA 91911 Hours: Monday – Friday 10:30 AM - 6:00 PM

Metro Region School Personnel Testing Site

Harold J. Ballard Parent Center 2375 Congress St San Diego, CA 92110 Hours: Tuesday - Saturday 11:30 AM - 7:00 PM

East County School Personnel Testing Site

Mollison Complex 301 N. Mollison Ave El Cajon, CA 92021 Hours: Monday - Friday 10:30 AM - 6:00 PM

North County School Personnel Testing Site

Del Mar Fairgrounds 2260 Jimmy Durante Blvd Del Mar, CA 92014 Hours: Monday – Friday 10:30 AM - 6:00 PM

EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAM PHASE III PLANNING

In preparation for the launch of Phase III in January, school sites continue to reach out to families who have not yet completed their Family Survey #3 communicating their choice for distance and blended learning. We will be sending a letter to families who have still not responded to the Family Survey #3 and the multiple attempts to contact them to record their preference for Distance or Blended Learning to let them know that by default they will be placed in the Distance Learning Academy if no survey response is submitted by Friday, November 6th.

As we launch phase III in the middle of the 2nd Trimester, we have surveyed families, principals, and teachers to determine if the preference is to make class changes on November 30th or in January at the launch of Phase III. The preliminary survey data shows a preference for the January change, with 78% of families, 72% of teachers, and 100% of principals indicating that January would be the best time for the change.

GOOGLE MEETS NEW FEATURES: BLUR BACKGROUND & QUICK ACCESS FEATURES

Google has added a new feature to Google Meets which allows all participants in a Google Meets meeting to blur their background. This feature allows teachers and students to maintain privacy by blurring their background during meetings. As we continue to encourage students to turn their cameras on so that students can monitor student engagement and understanding, we hope that this will help with privacy concerns. Additionally, there are some additional features that support increased security that have been added, which include control of Chat and Waiting Rooms within Google Meets. Please see the instructions for these new features linked <u>HERE</u>.

SUPPORT FOR DIGITAL PLATFORMS

As we make our way through the school year, we have continued to provide support for teachers and families with various aspects of navigating our digital platforms.

Parents can access support pages for Google Classroom on our website Student Tab>Google Classroom Support which will link them to this page: <u>https://www.sysdschools.org/domain/760</u>, which contains job aides and cover a variety of topics including how to submit work in Google Classroom.

Additionally, we have begun to use Illuminate to deliver our District Common Assessments in English Language Arts and Math. Teachers were provided with job aides for administering the assessments ahead of the launch of these assessments, which are linked <u>HERE</u>.

Based on feedback and the need for additional support for families, we developed job aides geared to support parents who may be helping their students login to the testing platform from home, which are linked <u>HERE</u> and are in the process of being added to the website for easier access.

IT HELP LINE & SCHOOL SITE SUPPORT

Who to Contact?

Technical Support

- Chromebooks @ Home Program web page
- itsupport@sysdschools.org
- (619) 454-0897

School Site Support

PreSchool and Child Development Center (CDC) **Eugenia** Teodoro Eugenia.Teodoro@sysdschools.org (619) 428-2352

Ocean View Hills Elementary Elizabeth Perez Elizabeth.Moreno@sysdschools.org (619) 661-0457 ext. 3897

La Mirada Elementary Jorge Cervantes Jorge.Cervantes@sysdschools.org (619) 428-4424 ext. 3497

Smythe Elementary Sylvia Lugo Sylvia.Lugo@sysdschools.org (619) 428-4447 ext. 3597

Sunset Elementary Maria Elena Hernandez Maria.E.Hernandez@sysdschools.org (619) 428-1148 ext. 3697

Willow Elementary Maria Gomez Maria.Gomez@sysdschools.org (619) 428-2231 ext. 3797

San Ysidro Middle School Lupita Barrera Guadalupe.Barrera@sysdschools.org (619) 428-5551 ext. 3297

Vista del Mar Middle School Cristina D'Oleire Cristina.Doleire@sysdschools.org (619) 661-6753 ext. 3997

HUMAN RESOURCES

SYSD OFFICE SCHEDULE OCTOBER 26 - OCTOBER 30

All SYSD offices will be open this upcoming week on a part time basis. Each site's office hours can be found on the following document. SYSD managers will work full time on-site the entire week.

District & School Offices Open for Family Support					
	Campus Hours of Operation				
Location	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
District					
Office	8am - 12pm	8am - 12pm	8am - 12pm	8am - 12pm	8am - 12pm
CDC	8am - 12:30pm	8am - 12:30pm	8am - 12:30pm	8am - 12:30pm	8am - 12:30pm
VDM	9am - 1pm	9am - 1pm	9am - 1pm	9am - 1pm	9am - 1pm
	8:30am -	8:30am -	8:30am -	8:30am -	8:30am -
SYMS	12:30pm	12:30pm	12:30pm	12:30pm	12:30pm
Willow	8am - 12pm	8am - 12pm	8am - 12pm	8am - 12pm	8am - 12pm
Smythe	8am - 2pm	8am - 2pm	8am - 2pm	8am - 2pm	8am - 2pm
La	8:30am -	8:30am -	8:30am -	8:30am -	8:30am -
Mirada	12:30pm	12:30pm	12:30pm	12:30pm	12:30pm

| Sunset | 7:30am - 1pm |
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| OVHS | 8am - 12:20pm |

BUSINESS SERVICES

CITIZENS' BOND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MEETING

The Bond Oversight Committee met this past Thursday, October 22nd. Our next BOC meeting is scheduled for January 28, 2021. Agenda items included a review of the GO Bond financials and the revisions made to the BOC Bylaws. Please click on the link to access the BOC agenda:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1R0JZPRCFd1ilQcbnjs2W2B0i-ril_R6E3GenSwxUXmk/edit?usp=sharing

BOC presentations are provided below.

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- General Obligation Bond Measure T & U Update Dale Scott of Dale Scott & Company and Bob Whalen, Bond Counsel of Stradling Yocca Carlson & Rauth https://drive.google.com/file/d/1AfkAZjUWfuK0CXZDKbzuBK8-VQcMxhWZ/view?usp=sharing
- Long Range Master Facilities Plan Update Jim DiCamillo of WLC Architects
 https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/19M9TAtwbsdlYb_mgnura3OUUhGa6gzilOu-fVM7TOsl/edit?usp=sh
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- The San Ysidro Schools Public Financing Corporation Meredith Johnson of DWK Attorneys https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1uvHVnGFwtU5yErIN9G2zgBJblhk8OnVjA_dIRigM6Wo/edit?usp=s

NEW MEAL SERVICE SCHEDULE BEGINNING OCTOBER 21, 2020

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 **EVERY WEDNESDAY at 3 school sites.** Multiple days' worth of meals will be distributed each week. The schedule will be as follows:

Date & Time	School Sites

<u>Every Wednesday</u>

11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Willow Elementary La Mirada Elementary
2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	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 **CADA MIÉRCOLES en 3 escuelas**. Se distribuirán comidas para varios días cada semana. El horario será el siguiente:

<u>Día y Hora</u>	Sitio de la escuela
Cada miércoles	
11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Willow Elementary La Mirada Elementary
2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	San Ysidro Middle School

Las comidas para cada niño incluirán desayuno y almuerzo por varios días. *NO se requiere que el estudiante 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.

NEWS & COMMUNITY RELATIONS

CHAIRMAN COX, HEALTH OFFICIALS URGE PEOPLE TO GET FLU VACCINE

County officials will promote County-sponsored free flu vaccine clinics and urge San Diegans to get vaccinated against the flu, which is especially important this year in light of the ongoing COVID-19 Pandemic. Please click on the link to view the Media Advisory from the Office of Chairman Cox

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1n0Lb5M8HzU6kN6_jxgyss0p5Q3eVMbJm/view?usp=sharing

Please click on the links below to view the Free Flu Vaccine Clinics Flyer:

- English Free Flu Vaccine Clinics Flyer: <u>https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/dam/sdc/hhsa/programs/phs/Immunizations/handouts/FreeFluVaccineClinics.pdf</u>
- Spanish Free Flu Vaccine Clinics Flyer: <u>https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/dam/sdc/hhsa/programs/phs/Immunizations/handouts/FreeFluVaccineClinics_Sp</u> <u>anish.pdf</u>

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. Appointments are recommended. The following locations require appointments: Euclid Health Center and St. Anthony's of Padua Parking Lot





Book your appt

by calling 211

or online at 211sandiego.org

> San Ysidro Civic Center **212 West Park Ave** San Ysidro, CA 92173 Hours: Tuesday - Saturday 7:00 AM - 7:00 PM

Kimball Senior Center 1221 D Avenue National City, CA 91950 Hours: Tuesday - Saturday 7:00 AM - 7:00 PM



Euclid Health Center 292 Euclid Avenue San Diego, CA 92114 **Hours: Saturdays** 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM

795 E San Ysidro Blvd

565 Broadway Chula Vista, CA 91910 Hours: Tuesday - Saturday 7:00 AM - 7:00 PM

Chula Vista (Old Sears building)



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 8:30AM - 3:30 PM



South Chula Vista Branch Library 389 Orange Ave Chula Vista, CA 91911 Hours: Sunday - Thursday 12:30 PM - 8:00 PM



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

San Ysidro, CA 92173 Hours: Monday - Friday 6:00 AM - 1:00 PM

San Ysidro Port of Entry PedEast

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

National City, CA 91950 **Hours: Sunday** 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

