

San Ysidro School District EST - 1887

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District Highlights

Superintendent - Gina Potter, Ed.D. Week of March 1, 2024



SUPERINTENDENT

Gina Potter, Ed.D.

SAN YSIDRO MIDDLE SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE COMMUNITY AND CAREER NIGHT

It was a marvelous event, full of excitement and the opportunity for our students to learn about the multiple careers and jobs that await them.

San Ysidro Middle School held their Open House Community and Career Night, on Wednesday, February 28th. San Ysidro Middle School Acting Principal Mairen Ruiz greeted parents and shared information about their in person open house. All students and parents chose 4 careers of interest and engaged in small group presentations by our professionals and guest speakers, a total of 24 participants. From the medical field, to engineering, landscaping, US Navy, the Sheriff's Departments, among many other professions formed part of the event. Community resources such as Casa Familiar, Screening to Care, and South Bay Community Services were also available to share information with attendees.

Thank you to our team from San Ysidro Middle School for a great Open House event, as well as our Board Vice President Zenaida Rosario and Board Member Rudy Lopez for their valuable support. A special thank you to all teachers for their hard work in making our open house such a special event for students and parents!





























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CELEBRATING SYMS CAREER NIGHT



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WILLOW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

The home of the Roadrunners was ready for an exciting Open House Event! Willow Elementary School Interim Principal Lorena Varela-Reed greeted parents as they arrived and shared information about their in person open house. Afterwards, parents had an opportunity to meet

with their child's classroom teacher. Thank you to our team from Willow Elementary School and all staff and teachers for their amazing work and a great Open House event!









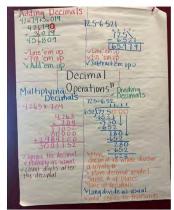


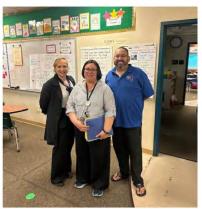














SMYTHE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

The home of the Dragons rumbled with excitement during their Open House Event! Smythe Elementary School Principal Dr. Rebecca Bravo shared information with parents and students about their open house. Afterwards, parents had an opportunity to meet with their child's teacher and learn all about their classroom curriculum and special projects. Thank you to Smythe Elementary School and the team of incredible teachers and staff for a great Open House event!

































































































SUNSET ELEMENTARY SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

The mighty Lions were ready to roar at Sunset Elementary School's Open House Event! Board President Irene Lopez, Sunset Elementary School Principal Efrain Burciaga, and Director of Early Childhood Education Julie Pretzer, welcomed parents and students on Thursday, February 29th to Sunset Elementary and Sunset Preschool's Open House Event. Sunset Elementary School parents had an opportunity to meet with their child's classroom teacher and learn more about their student's academic curriculum and educational projects.. Thank you to our team from Sunset Elementary School and all the wonderful teachers and staff for their hard work and a great Open House event!







More photos from Sunset Preschool's Open House:



















LA MIRADA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

Just like Eagles soaring through the colorful sky, La Mirada Elementary School opened its wings to welcome everyone to a wonderful Open House Event! La Mirada Elementary School Principal Laura English greeted parents and shared information about their in person open house. Afterwards, parents had an opportunity to meet with their child's classroom teacher. Thank you to our team from La Mirada Elementary School and all staff and teachers for a great Open House event!



















SUPERINTENDENT MEETS WITH SCHOOL STUDENT LEADERS

On Wednesday, February 28th Superintendent Dr. Gina Potter, Assistant Superintendent of Pupil Services Russell Little, Assistant Superintendent of Admin. Leadership, School Support & Safety Jose Iniguez, and various Principals participated in a meeting with student leaders from each school to listen to their ideas and concerns.

The students were chosen by their principals as school leaders to represent their schools and fellow students to share ideas and feedback for improving their educational environment and increasing their academic potential. Each student was asked 2 questions regarding their respective schools and they provided their thoughts, suggestions, and feedback. Afterwards they were asked to work with their principal to survey their peers for ideas they might like to work on and implement this 2024-2025 school year. The purpose of these meetings is to value our students' voices and ensure they are heard.

Our student participants were the following from La Mirada Elementary School: Adele Ramires, 6th grade, Emily Zuazo, 6th grade, and Sol Romero, 5th grade. From Sunset Elementary School: Carolina Perez Corral, Student Representative, 6th grade. From Smythe Elementary School: Sebastian Flores, Student Representative, 6th grade, Jayden Chan, Student Representative, and Julieth Brizuela, 6th Grade Representative. From Ocean View Hills Elementary School: Valentina Vasquez, 5th grade, Master Sergeant of Safety Patrol, Yannuel Rodriguez, 5th grade, Master Sergeant of Safety Patrol, Emilia Salcido, 5th grade, Major of Safety Patrol, Ricardo Olague, 5th grade, Master Sergeant of Safety Patrol. From Willow Elementary School: Noel Martinez Cuevas, 6th Grade, ASB President. From San Ysidro Middle School: Sebastian Vasquez, ASB President, 8th Grade, Layla A. Garcia, ASB Public Relations, 8th Grade, Ximena Orendain Amezquita, 7th Grade Representative. From Vista Del Mar Middle School: Ricardo Morales, ASB President, 8th Grade, and Elliana Ruiz, Student Site Council President, 6th Grade.



VISTA DEL MAR MIDDLE SCHOOL'S SOCCER TEAM VS. SAN YSIDRO MIDDLE SCHOOL'S SOCCER TEAM

San Ysidro Middle School's soccer team played against Vista Del Mar's team. Vista Del Mar students took the victory win 2-1 and advanced to the final competition. Congratulations to both soccer teams for their outstanding playing!

Vista Del Mar Soccer Team: Alfonso Ruezga, Abel Ceja, Damian Estrada, Ivan Herrera, Logan Valenzuela, Max Mazdriegos, Adrian Flores, Luis Espinoza, Luka Tsipouria, Adrian Camacho, Aaron De La Peña, Jayden Lona, Oscar Lopez, Santiago Romo, Ali Yusuf, Nicolas Muñoz, and Elias Navarrete.

Vista Del Mar Soccer Team Coach: Martin Sanchez Jr.



















6TH GRADE CAREER DAY PRESENTATIONS BEGIN AT VISTA DE MAR MIDDLE SCHOOL & SUNSET ELEMENTARY SCHOOL - ¡SI SE PUEDE!

All 6th graders from our Elementary Schools La Mirada, Smythe, Willow, and Sunset, as well as our 6th graders from our Middle School Vista Del Mar, will have the opportunity to be a part of a series of interactive presentations offered by professionals from different sectors across San Diego County.

This week, 6th grade students from Vista Del Mar Middle School had the opportunity to listen to Chair of Best Best & Krieger LLP Labor & Employment practice group, Attorney Joseph Sanchez. Who gave a wonderful and insightful presentation about the different careers and job opportunities in law. He spoke about his personal experience and journey to success, as well as his years of education and practice. He gave an interactive presentation in which students could consider pursuing the jobs of a judge and an attorney within the judicial system.



Sunset Elementary School 6th grade students also had the opportunity to listen to Structural Engineer Erick Davis, who spoke about his personal journey, talents and interests as a child into his teenage years and adulthood, which ultimately led him to his professional career. He also spoke about his experience in college being the recipient of a scholarship. We thank this week's presenters for sharing their knowledge and expertise with our students. ¡Si se puede!





UPCOMING DATES

EVENT	DATE/TIME	WHO
Spring Break	Monday, March 18th- Friday, March 29th, 2024.	All Schools Closed
Cesar Chavez - Observed and Local Holidays	Thursday, March 28th and Friday, March 29th	All Schools Closed
Students Return	Monday, April 1st, 2024	All students return to school
Memorial Day	Monday, May 27th, 2024	All Schools Closed

OCEAN VIEW HILLS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL VISIT

On Wednesday, February 28th, Board Vice President Zenaida Rosario, Board Member Rudy Lopez, Superintendent Potter, Assistant Superintendent of Educational Leadership and Pupil Services Russell Little and Assistant Superintendent of Administrative Support, School Support and Safety Dr. Jose Iniguez and Director of Human Resources Manuel Bojorquez had a great school visit to Ocean View Hills Elementary School. They were hosted by Principal Erika Meza and Assistant Principal Vikki Viramontes-Castorena who facilitated classroom visits. Overall the Ocean View Hills Team is commended for establishing a positive school culture and climate where students are happy, well behaved, and respectful. A very special thank you to the teachers whose classrooms our district team was able to visit: Lagarda, Carranza, Villanueva, Estrada, Dawn, Nora Hernandez, Ponce, Banuet, Piggee, Bautista, Lepe, Padilla, Martha Hernandez, Garcia, Hansen & Medina!



























































































































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