

# San Ysidro School District EST - 1887

OUALITY EDUCATION AND OPPORTUNITY FOR ALL STUDENTS TO SUCCEED

# **District Highlights**

Superintendent - Gina Potter, Ed.D. Week of April 5, 2024



## SUPERINTENDENT

Gina Potter, Ed.D.

# LA MIRADA AND SMYTHE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PLAYGROUND RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONIES

Our brand new and beautiful playgrounds are here! The San Ysidro School District is very proud to unveil the completion of our playground construction projects at La Mirada Elementary School and Smythe Elementary School. We would like to thank our community voters who approved the general obligations bonds, Measures T and U.



#### Please click on the link to watch the media coverage of these ceremonies:

 Fox5/KUSI TV San Diego: <u>San Ysidro School District unveils brand new playgrounds at two elementary schools</u>

This playground construction project has been a true labor of love for our students, but this labor of love would not have been possible without the unwavering support of our most dedicated Board Members, who spend countless hours thinking about ways to improve our schools, our students' lives, and our San Ysidro community. We would like to thank Board President Irene Lopez, Board Vice President Zenaida Rosario, Board Clerk Antonio Martinez, and Board members Rudy Lopez and Rosaleah Pallasigue for your continuous support of our bond measures T and U. Thank you!

We are also very grateful for our Bond Oversight Committee Members, who have helped us monitor how we spend our bond funds, based and focused on our students' needs. This project is also thanks to their big efforts to ensure fiduciary responsibility. Thank you to Bond Oversight Committee Chairman Ricardo Macedo, Vice Chair Gloria McKearney, and members Hilario "Larry" Rodriguez, Kenneth Johnson, Juan Morales, and Daniela Armstrong. We deeply value your hard work and integrity.

Finally, we thank our district staff, our grounds and maintenance staff, for helping with this project every step of the way. Thank you to the teachers for their patience with the construction process, and our custodians and classified staff that helped throughout this process.



























































Play is a critical part of child development, which is why we, at our San Ysidro School District, understand the value of new and top of the line playgrounds that are inclusive for all of our students and well adapted to their age group.

We are very excited for our students to enjoy these wonderful playgrounds at Smythe and La Mirada Elementary Schools. Our children deserve the best and this is proof that our district is working hard to ensure that they have access to that.

A special thank you to De La Fuente Construction and Colbi Technologies for their hard work on the completion of this project.

#### Please click on the link to watch the media coverage of these ceremonies:

CGN Noticias: Escuelas primarias de San Ysidro estrenan área de juegos

#### VISTA DEL MAR MIDDLE SCHOOL TRACK & FIELD TEAM HIGHLIGHTS

The Vista Del Mar's Track & Field Team participated in the March 16th's MSAL Track Meet at Eastlake High School. The following are some team highlights:

- For the Boys100m: VDM's boys Ezekiel Rodriguez took 1st place (12.19 PR) and Jaeden Blossom placed 3rd (12.61)
- For the Girls 100m: VDM's girls Aneesah Roberts took 2nd (14.09) and Nevaeh Thammakhotvongxay placed 3rd (14.30)
- For the Boys 200m: VDM's boys Jaeden Blossom took 2nd place (26.97) and Sebastian Alvarez placed 3rd (27.27 PR)
- For the Girls 200m: VDM girls came close in placing with Nevaeh Thammakhotvongxay coming in 4th and Aneesah Roberts coming in at 5th.
- For the Boys 4x100m Relay: VDM boys took 1st place (52.86) with Raymond Williams, Hector Marrero, Sebastian Alvarez, and Ezekiel Rodriguez.
- For the Girls 4x100m Relay: VDM girls took 1st place (59.32) with Rychail Perez, Nevaeh Thammakhotvongxay, Angelina Lopez, and Aneesah Roberts.
- For the Boys Long Jump: Jaeden Blossom placed 2nd with distance of 16'7 and Raymond Williams placed 3rd with 14'7 distance.

Many of Vista Del Mar runners got personal bests on their times. We invite you to come support the Vista Del Mar Middle School Track & Field team at the next meet scheduled for Saturday, April 27th at Eastlake High School at 2 p.m.











## VISTA DEL MAR STUDENTS VISIT NEW YORK CITY AND WASHINGTON, D.C.

A group of around 20 Vista Del Mar Middle School 8th grade students traveled to New York City and Washington, D.C., during the first week of Spring Break. It was a unique learning opportunity led by La Mirada Elementary School teacher Juan Molina.

During the trip, which was organized by WorldStrides, a company that focuses on educational travel experiences, students visited and learned about historical landmarks, including the White House, Capitol Hill in D.C., the Statue of Liberty, and Little Italy in New York City. Thank you teacher Juan Molina, WorldStrides, and La Mirada Elementary School for this wonderful educational experience for our students!









# STUDENTS ATTEND SAN DIEGO PADRES GAME AS PART OF THE ESTRELLAS PROGRAM COMMUNITY OUTREACH

On Monday, April 1, 2024, nine of our students attended the San Diego Padres game. This is part of the San Diego Padres Estrellas program, which partners with underserved local school districts and nonprofits to recognize and celebrate students succeeding in and out of the classroom. Students were given a Padres ticket, a Swag Bag, an Estrellas t-shirt, and dinner. In addition, students visited the Padres Club House and Dugout. They interacted with players during batting practice, which included autographs and selfies from Fernando Tatis Jr., Xander Bogaerts, Jurickson Profar, Tyler Wade, and Eguy Rosario. Our students also participated in pre-game festivities where each of them was assigned to a specific field position (catcher, pitcher, first base, second base, third base, shortstop, right field, center field or left field). When the time came, they ran to their designated position and waited for a Padres player to go to them, greet them, shake their hand, and sign a baseball. Afterward, students returned with their chaperones and enjoyed the baseball game.

A very special thanks to our Assistant Superintendent, Dr. Jose Iniguez, for working in partnership with the San Diego Padres and their Player Relations and Community Impact Manager, Andrea Piocos. This was an incredible experience that our students will never forget.

**VIDEO LINK:** CLICK HERE

































# SAN YSIDRO CHILD NUTRITION DEPARTMENT WINS THE 2023 TURNIP THE BEET AWARD OF EXCELLENCE FOR THE SUMMER MEAL PROGRAM

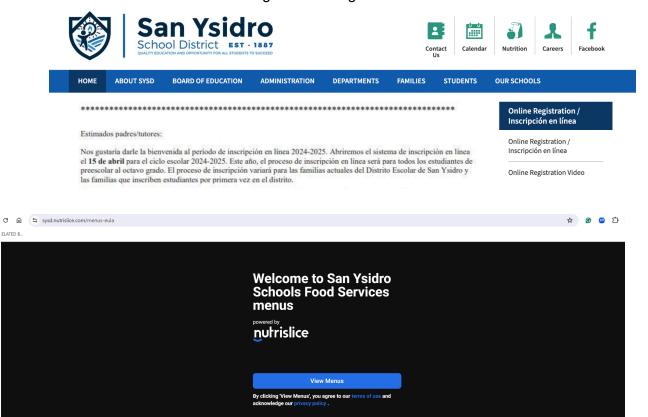
U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Food and Nutrition Services (FNS) awarded the Silver (Gold, Silver, and Bronze) level 2023 Turnip the Beet award to our Child Nutrition Services (CNS). The Turnip the Beet Award recognizes outstanding Summer Meal Program sponsors who work hard to offer high-quality meals that are delicious, appealing, and nutritious. Our summer site leaders, Ana del Real and Mayra Madrigal, are especially commended because they ran the programs daily, making this success possible.

For more information about the Turnip the Beet Awards, please click on the link: <a href="https://www.fns.usda.gov/sfsp/turnip-the-beet">https://www.fns.usda.gov/sfsp/turnip-the-beet</a>

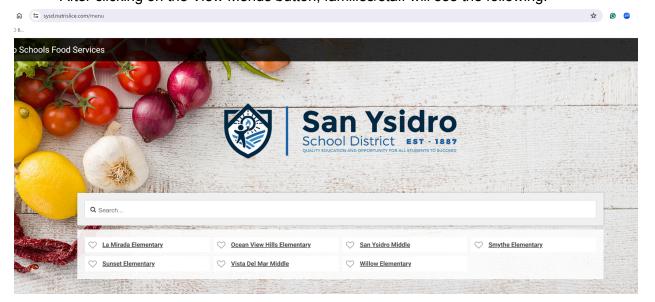
#### **NEW MENU INTERFACE**

We have implemented our new meals menu interface that will allow parents to translate menus into Spanish.

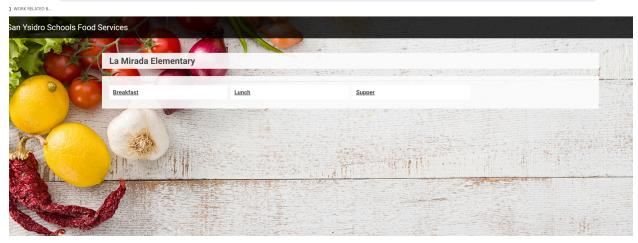
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- Families/staff may access the new menu interface by visiting our CNS website and clicking the Nutrition icon.
- Families/staff will see the following after clicking on the Nutrition icon:



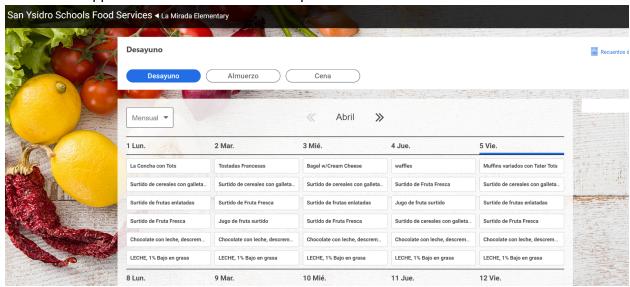
- To access menus, families/staff will click on the blue View Menus button shown in the snippet above.
- After clicking on the View Menus button, families/staff will see the following:



• After selecting a school, one may pick among Breakfast, Lunch, and Supper meals



- To translate a menu, families/staff can click on the pancake icon at the top right and select a language.
- Next, one would click on the Spanish and Translate buttons.
- Below is a snippet of a menu translated into Spanish:





Celebrating curiosity and science in San Ysidro

Friday, April 19 1:30-5 p.m.

This event is for the entire family including students K-8th grade! All students need to have an adult present to attend.

**Ocean View Hills Elementary** 4919 Del Sol Blvd. San Diego, CA 92154

## 30+ Exhibitors

Robotics by the San Ysidro High Cougarbots Team 
Hands-on science, technology, engineering and math 
activities 
Local scientists and STEM career role models
Raffles 
Community Art 
Community Resources 
Sci Phy Program Demos



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#### SPECIAL THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS AND COLLABORATORS:

















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This program is funded by Voya STEM Futures, a program of the Association of Science and Technology Centers (ASTC), generously supported by the Voya Foundation.



¡Celebrando la curiosidad y la ciencia en San Ysidro!。

## viernes, 19 de abril 1:30-5 p.m.

Este evento es para toda la familia con actividades para estudiantes de kínder hasta el 8vo grado.

Los estudiantes necesitan estar acompañados por un adulto para asistir.

Primaria de Ocean Views Hills 4919 Del Sol Blvd. San Diego, CA 92154

## **30+ Expositores**

Robotica con el equipo de San Ysidro High School

Manualidades de ciencia, tecnología, ingeniería y matemática = Profesionistas y ejemplos a seguir con un enfoque en la ciencia = Actividades con el equipo de Sci Phy = Sorteos = Arte Comunitario = Recursos Comunitarios.



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#### **GRACIAS A NUESTROS PATROCINADORES Y COLABORADORES:**

















Esta información se proporciona para dar información a las familias sobre los programas en la comunidad. El Distrito Escolar de San Ysidro no endosa al patrocinador y no será responsable por el contenido, costo, o cualquier otro aspecto de los productos y ses vicios proporcionados por tercercos. Toda la información es proporcionada por el patrocinador y si tiene preguntas, pórques en contecto con elos directamentes. Este programa esta patrocinado por Voya STEM Futures, un programa de li Asociación de Centros de Ciencia y Tecnología (ASTC), generosamente apoyado por la Fundación Voya.

#### SYSD SCHOOLS WEEKLY BULLETINS

Please click on the link to access the school weekly bulletins:

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

#### **UPCOMING DATES**

| EVENT                           | DATE/TIME                                | WHO                |
|---------------------------------|--|--------------------|
| Preschool Parent<br>Conferences | Monday, April 15th - April 19th,<br>2024 | Preschool          |
| Memorial Day                    | Monday, May 27th, 2024                   | All Schools Closed |
| Last Day for Students           | Wednesday, June 5th, 2024                | All Schools Closed |

## **DISTRICT JOB OPENINGS**



Please click on the link to access our current district job openings: <a href="https://www.edjoin.org/Home/Jobs?countyID=37&districtID=650">https://www.edjoin.org/Home/Jobs?countyID=37&districtID=650</a>