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Certificated Retirees Served for 2,825 Years

A total of 105 teachers and other certificated employees are wrapping up their careers this year. Together they have amassed 2,825 years of service to the students of the Long Beach Unified School District:

- 48 years—Julia Mendell, Willard;
- 42 years—Penny O'Toole, Bancroft;
- 40 years—Karen Parker, Signal Hill; Mary Ann Erdmann, Lincoln;
- 39 years—Carolyn Price, Jordan;
- 38 years—John Ryan, Lakewood; Karen Dotson, Gant; Alex Sansberry, Jordan;
- 37 years—Gwen Mack, Poly; James Ferguson, Marshall; Monica Sehnert, Gant; Evelyn Meade, EPHS; Bruce Brown, Millikan; Hartzell Alpizar, Wilson;
- 36 years—Stephen Dublin, Millikan; Linda Martinez, Avalon;
- 34 years—Elaine Parsons, Lakewood;
- 33 years—Rosi Pedersen, School for Adults; Lorraine Fiori, Signal Hill; Gayle Reidy, McKinley;
- 32 years—Patricia Conley, Signal Hill; Joe Pistoia, HRS; Margaretta Budai, Poly; Gertrude Hildebrand, McKinley;



Mendell

- 31 years—Marcia Massa, Bryant/Gompers; Janis Kleinberg, Burnett; Esperanza Galvez, Hamilton;
 - 29 years—Mark Hubbs, Madison; Thomas Rettig, Stevenson;
 - 28 years—Kathryn Hoshor, Cubberley; Joyce Briscoe, Dooley; Diana Barris, Signal Hill; Louise McCormick, The Willows; Carol Donahue, Stevenson/Willard;
 - 27 years—Khanh-Van Pham, PALMS;
 - 26 years—Luis Brown, Special Projects;
 - 25 years—Joan Kennedy, Roosevelt; Sue Rivard, Chavez; Josephine Ortiz, Lindbergh; Joyce Kidd, DeMille; Karen Brinkman, HRS;
 - 24 years—Wayne Zimmerman, School for Adults; Phyllis Greenberg, OCIPD;
 - 23 years—Martin Van Dine, Stanford;
 - 22 years—Arthur Broadhurst, Poly; Jashavanti Kadakia, Bixby;
 - 21 years—Kathleen Tierney, Willard;
 - 19 years—Maria Diaz, CDC; Danette Hawthorne, Signal Hill; Sue Campbell, The Willows;
 - 18 years—Joel Holden, Hudson; Linda Faust, Millikan; Kathleen Hall, Monroe; Carol Phillips, Wilson; Constance Houghton, Burbank/Robinson;
 - 17 years—Kathleen Stadlander, Whittier; Helen Bryan, Gompers;
 - 15 years—Barbara Terrel, OCIPD; Marcia Lynn, Millikan;
 - 14 years—Atlay Owens, CDC;
 - 13 years—Natalia Lugo, Webster; Mady Weiss, Tinchier;
 - 12 years—Marilyn Elliott, Dooley; Sandra Green, Dooley.
- Thirty-one others who served 706 years asked that their names not be printed.

Classified Retirees Worked for 124 Decades

Retiring this year from schools, offices and key support services are 61 Long Beach Unified School District classified employees with a combined total of 1,242 years of service:

- 33 years—Robert Grays, Lee;
- 30 years—Albert Johnson, School Safety and Emergency Preparation; Cynthia O'Neil, Lakewood;
- 29 years—Olga De La Cruz, Willard;
- 27 years—Irma Ramirez, Edison; Chester Perry, Hamilton;
- 26 years—Susan Kawamoto, Accounting; Barbara Cervantes, The Willows;
- 25 years—Carolyn Whitt, HRS; Patricia Burroughs, OCIPD; Marian Bassett, Monroe; Connie Ingersoll, Riley;
- 24 years—Leasuey Yang, PALMS; Howard Lowery, Operations; Timothy



Grays

- O'Donnell, Maintenance;
 - 23 years—Mayumi Wine, Kettering; Maria Nunez, Burnett;
 - 22 years—Madeline Smith, Public Information;
 - 21 years—Elizabeth Wohlgezogen, Lowell;
 - 20 years—Jovita Allen, Maintenance; Carol McDonald, Bryant; Cynthia Stockinger, Superintendent's Office;
 - 19 years—Stacie Clowes, Bixby; Dorothy Koetsier, Cubberley; Sheilla Minning, Payroll;
 - 18 years—LaVon Peterson, Hoover; Sam Long, Poly; Glenda Toler, Willard;
 - 17 years—Ollie McCornell, Gant;
 - 16 years—James Ludson Sr., Roosevelt; Karen Robinson, Jordan;
 - 15 years—Davi Garcia, CDC; Claude Thomas, Barton;
 - 14 years—Nancy Wystrach, Hill;
 - 11 years—Nam Tran, King; Consuelo Rowe, Madison;
 - 10 years—Patsy Wilson, Hill.
- A total of 24 others with a combined 457 years of service asked not to be listed.

Grads Amass Record \$32M in Scholarships

Scholarships, grants and other monetary awards earned by graduating seniors here exceed \$32 million, shattering the previous record of \$20.7 million earned by the Class of 2005.

At the California Academy of Mathematics and Science, seniors earned more than \$11.5 million in awards, including a \$188,000 scholarship to MIT, \$174,000 to Duke, \$177,000 to Swarthmore, \$157,000 to Carnegie Mellon, and \$134,000 to Stanford. Five CAMS students earned admission to MIT, with others headed for Harvard, Caltech, Harvey Mudd, Princeton, UCLA, USC, Yale, Johns Hopkins, Pomona College, Dartmouth, Cornell, Columbia and the Colorado School of Mines.

Wilson Classical High School students earned \$6.2 million and gained admission to all California State University and University of California campuses, including 19 students going to UCLA and 10 to UC Berkeley. Eight

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A Rewarding Year

By Christopher J. Steinhauer
Superintendent of Schools

The 2007-08 school year has been a rewarding and productive one for the Long Beach Unified School District. As a team, we can all take great pride in what we have accomplished.

National recognition of your efforts continues as we compete for public education's most prestigious honor, The Broad Prize for Urban Education. The trophy cases are overflowing with numerous athletic and academic awards, including eight more California Distinguished School Awards this year. Our students and schools ended the year with high rankings in Newsweek's annual list of America's best high schools, and as you'll read elsewhere in this publication, our graduating seniors surpassed all previous scholarship records by earning an astounding \$32 million.

Each of you plays an important role in these and many other successes in our schools. Your devotion to your profession and to our students are what make these exceptional results possible. I encourage you to savor this year's successes and to reflect upon what a profound and positive difference we make in the lives of thousands of youngsters.

Thank you for your continued commitment and hard work in the face of difficult challenges. It is a privilege to work with such a dedicated team.





DEDICATION – Family members of the late Perry Lindsey attend a recent ceremony dedicating Perry Lindsey Academy, named after the former Tuskegee Airman and first African American principal in Long Beach. From left: Perry Lindsey's children Yvette Lindsey, Perry Lindsey Jr. and Deborah Wilkerson, with their mother, Evelyn Lindsey.

• Scholarships

(Continued from first page) students from Wilson will attend USC, while others are headed to Bard College, Dartmouth, Duke, Georgetown, Northwestern, Stanford and Vanderbilt. In all, Wilson students were admitted to 154 colleges and universities in 38 states and Washington, D.C., Italy, Germany and South Africa. Two Wilson students were recognized as National Hispanic Scholars.

Millikan High School students earned more than \$3.4 million, including two full rides to CSULB. Acceptances included all CSU and UC schools, Harvard, Yale, Columbia, USC, Mount St. Mary's College, University of Hawaii, Texas A&M and Pepperdine.

Poly High School students earned more than \$3 million, including a \$172,000 scholarship to Yale, a \$148,000 award for USC, a \$180,000 award to MIT and \$120,000 to Brown. Poly students also earned acceptance to Harvard, Stanford, Cornell, Howard, George Washington University, University of Pennsylvania, John Cabot University in Rome, Johns Hopkins, Penn State, Princeton, UC Berkeley, UCLA and other UC campuses.

Lakewood High School students earned more than \$2.5 million, with acceptances to most UC campuses, Loyola Marymount, Chapman, University of the Sciences in Philadelphia, and Baylor.

Jordan High School students earned nearly \$2.3 million, including Gates Millennium Scholarships, and monetary awards to attend UC Berkeley, Morehouse and UC Santa Barbara. Other admissions included UCLA and UC San Diego.

Cabrillo High School students earned more than \$1.8 million, including a full ride to Stanford University. Acceptances included all CSU and UC campuses, Paine College, Clark-Atlanta, Bethune-Cookman, Spelman, Morehouse, Rutgers, Otis College of Art and Design, Webster University, University of Missouri, Hofstra University, Texas A&M and the University of Nevada.

Renaissance High School for the Arts students earned nearly \$1 million in scholarships, including a CSULB President's Scholarship. Acceptances included USC, UCLA, UC Santa Barbara, UC Santa Cruz and UC Irvine.

Avalon High School students earned more than \$82,000, including full rides to CSULB, a \$4,000 Santa Catalina Island scholarship, and Phyllis Lowenthal Memorial Scholarships in memory of the former Avalon teacher.

Reid High School students earned \$16,500, and Educational Partnership High School Students (EPHS) earned \$4,570.

Seventeen students at LBUSD high schools earned a combined \$125,000 in Broad Foundation scholarships last week. Dozens of students have earned non-monetary awards including Rotary Service Above Self Awards.

Obtain Salary Credit

Certificated employees may request salary credit for qualifying upper division or graduate level course work taken at an accredited college or university, or for lower division or professional coursework which is directly related to their present assignments.

The Request for Salary Credit is posted on the HRS website, teachlongbeach.com, or may be requested at hrrshelp@lbschools.net. All requests must be received by HRS at least six weeks prior to the first class meeting.

Race for Broad Prize Heats Up After Visit

A team of educators and researchers, who visited local schools recently to help determine whether the Long Beach Unified School District will win public education's biggest prize, commended LBUSD for producing exceptional gains in student achievement.

The school district in April was named, for the fourth time, as one of five finalists for the national Broad Prize for Urban Education. The prize honors the best urban school district in the nation. LBUSD won the top prize in 2003.

After four days of visiting local schools, reviewer Megan Tupa commended LBUSD for its culture of high expectations, dedication, collaboration, data-driven decision making and community partnerships – all of which she said contribute to "The Long Beach Way." She also

praised LBUSD's teacher training.

"One of the most stable and impressive things here is the staff development," Tupa said. "When you ask teachers here what the best thing about Long Beach is, that's the number one thing they talk about."

The top prize will be announced Oct. 14 at the Museum of Modern Art in New York City. The winner receives \$500,000 in student scholarships. Four remaining finalists receive \$125,000 each in scholarships.

In Memoriam

Louise Myers
former recreation leader
May 16, 2008

Clarice Luther
former teacher
May 22, 2008

William Burns
former teacher
June 5, 2008

Neil Campbell
former vice principal
June 5, 2008

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The Job Board

- Signal Hill has a fourth grade GATE opening. GATE certification is desired. Call Karen Williams at ext. 5655 for an interview.

- Gompers K-8 School has an opening for Grade 6 ELA/ELA GATE. To interview, call Gray Lange, principal at ext. 3605.

- Special Education Office has an opening for a career transition specialist, to be located at the Veterans Administration building, and an adult community transition M/M teacher, located at Tucker. For information, contact Barbara Powell or Christina Murphy at 422-6868, ext. 124.

- Exemplary teachers who are interested in serving as master teacher should contact Elisa Hagen by phone at ext. 2900 or by e-mail at hagen@lbschools.net for an application.

- Applications are now being accepted at the Personnel Commission, 999 Atlantic Ave., for child nutrition specialist, grounds crew supervisor, grounds supervisor-high school, plant supervisor I and plant supervisor II.

Names in the News

Angela Marciano, magnet program administrator, was elected to the board of Magnet Schools of America.

Pam Oehlman, Robinson Academy, was recently named Teacher Librarian of the Year by the Long Beach School Library Association.