A Message from the Superintendent

As 2021 comes to a close and we welcome 2022, I want to highlight and reflect on the good work that we have done for kids over the last year. Since January of 2021, we have transitioned from online/Zoom classes to hybrid classes, to this school year being 100% in-person! We added Social-Emotional counselors to our sites to help our students who returned to in-person learning with even more intense needs than before. We hired School Social Workers to provide additional support to our families. Our school sites have served as district and community COVID testing locations and have provided flu and COVID vaccines. We continued to provide meals to students, regardless of how classes were being taught, and have done so at no cost to families! We have added solar panels at CHS and are starting to work on installation at Buena Vista. We improved the exterior lighting at all campuses, completed an Education Center asphalt project, installed pool heaters at CHS and replaced boilers/furnaces at various schools. In addition, we replaced leaking gas lines at multiple sites, started the process to replace Hapgood’s switchgear, improved basketball courts at LHS and started the process at the CHS tennis courts. Progress is being made on the CHS baseball field lighting project which will be installed this spring. We also began the process of installing gopher meshing and turf at our elementary sites. The process has begun for window improvements at Clarence Ruth, and our first-ever new construction since 1969 to meet the needs associated with Universal TK. The fact that we have been able to do all of this, in spite of a pandemic, and in spite of being the only district in the tri-county area without a General Obligation bond is a testament to the dedication, ingenuity, and work ethic of LUSD staff. I am excited for what 2022 will bring for LUSD and how we can continue to improve the conditions for students and staff for the future.

LUSD Employee Gym

If personal fitness is a goal for you for the New Year, LUSD has a gym for you! The gym is located in the Central Services building and is accessible using your District key badge.

Please be sure to complete a waiver of liability upon your first visit. The waivers are located on the right hand wall as you enter the gym.

Gym Hours:
M-F 6:00 am – 9:00 pm
Saturday 7:00 – 3:00 pm
Frances Rojas – Grade 6 at Miguelito
Ms. Rojas is a silent soldier of excellence on the Miguelito campus. Year after year her students make incredible academic gains as they grow together to form a tight class community as well. Every day Frances quietly, yet diligently, provides excellent instruction and learning experiences for her students. The classroom environment she creates is orderly without being rigid, has high expectations without being inaccessible, and is friendly without losing focus on the learning tasks required. We have many amazing teachers, but Frances quietly excels daily and has such an unassuming personality that she makes the outstanding results she gets look deceptively easy. Her quiet leadership is appreciated and her calm, reasoned, approach allows all around her to maintain a growth mindset. We are extremely fortunate, Frances, to have you as a part of our school community.

Jamin Bean – TK at La Honda
Ms. Bean puts students first. She provides our youngest learners engaging, fun, educational learning opportunities while teaching them how to be students. But, her dedication goes beyond the classroom walls. She helps connect families to resources and understand how they can be an active part in their child’s education. She is also helping, along with all our TK teachers, to create our Universal TK transition plan. The District appreciates your dedication, Jamin!
Ms. Henao is an amazing employee of Lompoc Unified School District and an invaluable part of the Miguelito family. Sara works diligently as a bilingual instructional assistant as well as a bilingual liaison. She attends all ELAC meetings, conferences, and attendance meetings even when they are well outside her scheduled hours. Her positive demeanor and professionalism cause families to feel comfortable and confident. Teachers rely on her during conferences and know that she will communicate concerns with clarity and accuracy. The communication and connection she provides for our Spanish speaking and transitional families is integral to their success. She is a tireless advocate for students and a tremendous asset to the Miguelito staff. Her work ethic and talent are admirable. Miguelito would truly be lost without her. Thank you Sara!

**WINTER BREAK COVID TESTING SCHEDULE**

Mondays, Tuesdays, & Wednesdays, December 20 – 22; December 27 – 29 & January 3 - 5

Mondays and Wednesdays @ **Lompoc High School** (8:30 am – 3:30 pm)

Tuesdays @ **Education Center** (8:30 am – 3:30 pm)

**Employee Contact Information Change Request**

Please be sure to submit a **CONTACT INFORMATION CHANGE REQUEST** document if your home address and/or mailing address has changed. Please click on the link below to access the form.

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