

November 4
2022

TUSD NEWS

Tracy Unified School District



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Superintendent's Office



Board Meetings:

November 8

December 13

Time Change:

November 6 @ 2:00 am

ERWs: November 2, 9, 16, 30

Job Fair: November 5 at Feiler
9:00 am to 1:00 pm

GATE Info Night:

November 10- 6:00 at Williams

Anti-Bullying Event:

November 16 @ 6:00 pm

West High Gym

Holidays:

Veterans' Day:

November 11

Thanksgiving Break:

November 21-25

TUSD Info Page: [View Here](#)
(Formerly the COVID page)



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In the Spotlight

Please take a moment to read through our school's learning activities and exciting events below! Follow this link:

[In the Spotlight page](#)

Dr. Rob Pecot, Superintendent

Hello staff,

It is great to see all of the activities and events going on at our schools. I have had the fortune of attending parades, carnivals, festivals, fundraisers, and performances. I have had the pleasure of eating salty student made pancakes, learning the characteristics of bats, and marching with the Monte Vista Band on recruitment missions. The commitment and effort that is demonstrated to support our students and families never ceases to amaze me.

I would like to extend a congratulations to our Fall Playoff Teams, West Girls' Volleyball, Tracy Girls' Volleyball, Tracy High Football, Tracy Girls' Tennis, Tracy Cross-Country, Kimball Football and Kimball Cross-Country. Good luck to all of our teams in their Fall Playoff Runs. If you can come and support these athletes, please do so.

Payroll is on track to process one time-bonuses and retro-pay for this 2022/2023 school year. Staff can expect payment via direct deposit on November 18th. For those of you who receive a check, checks will also be mailed the 18th. I would like to express my appreciation to the Payroll Department for being able to fast-track such a large volume of transactions in a tight timeframe.

TUSD is committed to recruiting qualified individuals to our open positions. This past month we have hired 6 certificated positions, 28 classified positions, and 2 management positions. We will be hosting a job fair this weekend (Nov. 5th) at Art Feiler School from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. for both certificated and classified positions. Please spread the word to anyone you may know that is looking for employment.

Educational Services

Continuous Improvement

State & Federal Program

Gifted & Talented Education (GATE) Info Night:

November 10, 2022 - 6:00PM - 7:00PM

WILLIAM MIDDLE SCHOOL

1600 TENNIS LANE

MULTIPURPOSE ROOM & LIBRARY

Come join us to learn what our Tracy Unified School District Gifted and Talented Education (GATE) Program has to offer. Information on the application process, program criteria, program overview and student Genius Hour Passion Projects will be shared.

PreK-12 STEM

TUSD STEM

Over 30 educators from TUSD attended the [California Science Education annual conference](#) on October 14th - 16th. Educators representing Bohn Elementary School, Central Elementary School, Hirsch Elementary School, McKinley Elementary School, South/West Park Elementary School, Villalovoz Elementary School, and Tracy High School were in attendance. Teachers and administrators attended workshops focused on best practices in science education and came back inspired to bring those practices back to their schools, classrooms, and colleagues. What a great opportunity for our students, teachers, and site administrators!

ISSET Department



The first phase of staff device replacement for middle and high schools is currently underway. The new laptop has a faster processor, better security features and improved graphics. On the student side, 4th and 5th grade laptops have been fully distributed. Currently, we are now 1:1 in

Tracy Adult School ESL Café

For the past eight weeks adult English language learners have been serving TUSD employees coffee, cold drinks, bagels, donuts, and other treats at Tracy Adult School's ESL Café. The idea for the ESL Café came from a brainstorming session between our adult ESL students and ESL instructor Steve Jesus. Initial discussions circulated around the need for a contextualized English language class where students could use their English in the context of customer service. Eric Kimball asked, "Why not have a café that employees and students could enjoy?" With a little more work, Mr. Kimball, Director Sam Strube, and Mr. Steve were able to make the Café a reality. "The concept was a good one and is a first for our region" said Director Strube. In addition to learning English and Customer Service in the Café, students are also working towards earning their E-Food Handlers permit which could help them get a job in the food industry or in customer service. The ELS Café is open on Fridays between 9:30a.m. and 11:00a.m. Stop by for a treat if you are in the area!



CTE

Career Technical Education

On November 2nd, Teachers, counselors, and administrators attended the Delta Valley Administrators and Counselors Night. This year, Ripon High School hosted the event with a tour of Diamond Pet Foods in Ripon. The tour was amazing. Participants had a chance to see, and smell, the way different pet food products are processed and packaged into dog food for our furry little friends.



At the end of the tour, participants were given samples to either try, or take home! It was a fun filled evening that gave everyone an opportunity to see the types of jobs there are for our Ag students who graduate from our CTE programs. A big thank you to Delta Valley FFA for the wonderful dinner and door prizes and many thanks to County Superintendent, Troy Brown for his support for CTE and kind words for the teachers, counselors and administrators that make it all happen!

grades 4 - 12. Students in grades K - 3 are provided with a laptop in carts.

Beginning next month, we will slowly roll out the new Wireless Access Point (white box on your ceiling with blue/green light) replacements to all existing locations like classrooms, libraries, MPR, etc. Our current access points over 6 years old and have reached EOL (end-of-life). The new Access Points will provide us an improvement in the wifi signal while providing a cleaner wifi coverage.

Lastly, I am pleased to announce that the availability of technology equipment are slowly being fulfilled. Equipment like laptops, docking stations, projectors and security cameras supplies were severely impacted during the pandemic. Wait time for most of these items have now been reduced from 1.5 years to a couple of months.

Human Resources

Tracy Unified will be hosting another Job Fair on **Saturday, November 5, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Art Freiler Elementary School.** Interviews will be conducted for both certificated and classified positions. A listing of available openings can be found at <https://www.edjoin.org/tracyusd>.

Tracy Unified is Hiring!
WE WANT YOU TO JOIN OUR TEAM. NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY!

November 5, 2022
9am-1pm
Art Freiler School
2421 W. Linn Ave. Tracy, CA 95376

We're Looking for:
Teachers
Speech Language Pathologists
Substitutes
Custodial
Food Services
Para Educators
Maintenance
J-D Staff
Human Resources
Contact TUSD Human Resources

Call TUSD HR: (209) 830-3260
or visit www.edjoin.org/tracyusd

FACILITIES PLANNING

Villalovoz Renovation:

During the summer and into the new school year the site received new carpeting and flooring throughout the entire campus with the addition of new library furnishings. Moving into the following summer, the goal will be to begin to rejuvenate the exterior and interior with new paint and add to the campuses safety by improving its frontage security fence, entry lobby, cameras, intercom, and fire alarms systems.



Current View



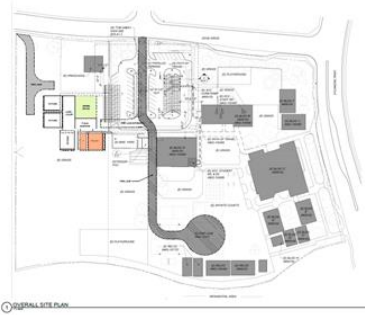
Proposed Entry View (rendering)

ELOP Bldg. Expansion Project:



The Expanded Learning Opportunities Program (ELOP) provides funding for afterschool and summer school enrichment programs, with these funds granted to TUSD. TUSD will be adding additional classrooms to 8-sites over the summer of 2023, these new classrooms will ensure students are provided with adequate spaces to continue educational services.

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Solar Projects at Various Sites:

On Aug. 3rd several community members joined to celebrate a commemorative projects ribbon cutting, which recognized the achievements and goal of TUSD's sustainably mission in creating a districtwide cumulative 5.3 Megawatt energy producing solar portfolio system. Further to this, the solar project is expanding onto its next marked sites; North School and the Clover/TLC which will have a planned completion of Feb. 2023



MVMS (shown with solar array)



North School (pending solar array)

District Wide Safety Projects/Plan:

Just a few weeks after National Safety Month, Tracy USD staff in tandem with City of Tracy PD were tasked to review all schools and improve on their facilities safety conditions and amenities. The result of several days of review and auditing, assisted in creating a projects lists which will cover several areas needing improvements. These facility improvement projects, will focus on addressing items such as; fencing, adding cameras, modernizing intercom and fire alarms systems, updating door hardware, and creating forced entries into campus administrative offices. The improvement projects will require a multi-year approach in completing and obtaining state approvals where required.

Preschool, Transitional Kindergarten, and Full-Day Kindergarten Facilities Project:

This school year, we welcomed the new program within various campuses locations. In future, TUSD plans to expand and modernize its existing facilities to accommodate the new growth.

Informational Links

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(Calendar, Bell Schedule, Programs, etc.)

Staff Portal Links:

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[Bell Schedules](#)

[E-forms](#)

[Phone Directories](#)

COVID 19

The latest updates

Superintendent's Office

COVID Testing is still available to all at Tracy Charter School, 1904 N. Corral Hollow Rd., Tracy, from 8:00-4:30pm, on Monday through Friday. This will be billed to your insurance or paid out of pocket. For more information on COVID testing and vaccines please visit the SJ Ready [HERE](#)

Work for TUSD!

Current Job Openings

Human Resources

Are you looking for a new job opportunity? Check out our current openings: [JOB OPENINGS](#)



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