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September 7, 2007



Downing



Filer



Fletcher



Griego



Imbroane



Jarels



Jensen



Jimenez



Koga



Lange



Ludden



Madrid-Arroyo



Prince



Ryan

Promotions, Reassignments Fill 58 Key Posts

A total of 58 administrators will take on new assignments at schools and offices in the Long Beach Unified School District this fall.

Connie Jensen was promoted to assistant superintendent, School Support Services. She was previously principal at Hamilton.

Promoted to principal at Burbank is Lorraine Griego, former vice principal at Roosevelt. Also promoted to principal are Kelly Ludden, Kettering, who was vice principal, Cubberley; Rosana Madrid-Arroyo, King, was assistant principal, Franklin; Janice Filer, CAMS, was assistant principal, CAMS; Cathleen Imbroane, Monroe, was assistant principal, Hoover; Kelly Koga, Holmes, was vice principal, Robinson; Linda Fletcher, Willard, was vice principal, Grant; Ellen Ryan, Twain, was assistant principal, Hill; and Gray Lange Jr., Gompers, was assistant principal, Lindbergh.

Promoted to co-principal at Poly is Victor Jarels, was principal, Hi-Hill.

Reassigned to principal are Julie Nyssen, from Alvarado to Dooley; Parisima Shahidi, from Burbank to Alvarado; Kimberly Weber, from Kettering to Chavez; Donald Beaver, from Naples to Hi-Hill; and Pamela Sawyer, from Twain to Bancroft.

Assigned as principal are Lisa Stephenson, Carver, was program administrator, Elementary Office; and Barbara Lindholm, Reid, was program administrator, PAAL. David Downing becomes principal at Hamilton; he was a principal in Los Alamitos. Mario Jimenez becomes co-principal at Jordan; he was assistant principal in Placentia-Yorba Linda. Diane Prince becomes principal at Naples; she was principal in Buena Park.

Promoted to vice principal are Athena Alfaro, McKinley, was teacher, McKinley; Caroline Nemece, Roosevelt, was teacher, Washington; Beth Cohen, Robinson, was teacher on special assignment, Powell; Ellen Janssen, Burbank, was program facilitator, International; Clarissa Tolentino, Grant, was program facilitator, Whittier; and Kelly Webb, Cubberley, was teacher, Muir.

Promoted to assistant principal are Stephanie Dunn, Hughes, was program specialist, Hughes; Dennis Moulton, Lakewood, was teacher on special assignment, Lakewood; Sunday Abbott, Hoover, was teacher, Cabrillo; Angelica Gonzalez, Franklin, was teacher on special assignment, Robinson; Lorena Moreno, DeMille, was program specialist, Middle and K-8 Office; Maria Perossio, Washington, was program facilitator, Migrant Education; Roshann Williams, Hill, was program facilitator, Stephens; Ronald Yearwood, Marshall, was teacher, Lindbergh; Matthew Brown, Cabrillo, was teacher on special assignment, PAAL; Joseph Carlson, Poly, was teacher on special assignment, Poly; Jonathan Hayes, Cabrillo, was teacher, Poly; David Costa, Lindbergh, was teacher, Hoover; and Orlando Hardy, Jordan, was teacher, Washington.

Maria Neves was promoted to acting assistant principal at Wilson; she was a teacher at Wilson. Marvin Lawton II, a teacher in Culver City Unified, becomes assistant principal at Hughes.

Reassigned vice principals are Maria Martinez, from Edison to Lincoln; and Wayne Wong, from Lincoln to Edison. Monica Alas becomes vice principal at Powell; she was

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First Lady to Present National Broad Prize

First Lady Laura Bush and U.S. Secretary of Education Margaret Spellings are scheduled to present the National Broad Prize for Urban Education at the Library of Congress in Washington, D.C. on Tuesday, Sept. 18. The Long Beach Unified School District is one of five finalists for the nation's largest education prize given to school districts. Long Beach is the first former winner of the prize to return to the competition as a finalist. The winner receives \$500,000 in scholarships.

The annual award honors large urban school districts that demonstrate the greatest overall performance and improvement in student achievement while reducing achievement gaps among various ethnic and socioeconomic groups of students. Also slated to speak at the awards presentation are Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi and Gen. Colin Powell.

Dooley School Opens

A gleaming, newly built Dooley Elementary School opened Sept. 5 in North Long Beach, accommodating more than 1,000 students. The K-5 school already has won a design award from the American Institute of Architects in Orange County.

Named after the Dooley family and their landmark hardware store that once occupied the property, the project is the first new school to open in Long Beach since Cesar Chavez Elementary School's fall 2004 opening.

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BRAND NEW — Newly opened Dooley Elementary School in North Long Beach features a large courtyard in the center of campus. The school recently won a design award from the American Institute of Architects.

• New Elementary School Earns Design Award

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Most of the new school's students had attended nearby Sutter K-8 School, which this fall was transformed into a middle school serving grades six through eight. Sutter was renamed Lindsey Academy after respected educator Perry Lindsey, who was the first African American school principal in Long Beach. Perry Lindsey also served as one of World War II's famed and highly decorated Tuskegee Airmen.

Dooley Elementary, located on five acres at 5075 Long Beach Blvd., provides 118,000 square feet of building space, including 55 classrooms. The school features two-story construction with exterior balconies, a large courtyard, separate kindergarten area, multi-purpose room, media center, serving kitchen, energy-saving design, and a parking structure

with an upper-level playground.

The school provides computer outlets throughout, two computer labs, an exterior amphitheatre-type assembly area, student drop-off area, a grass playfield, and classrooms incorporating built-in teacher desks and operable walls allowing flexible teaching arrangements.

College Prep Grant

The Long Beach Unified School District will use a new, \$22.4 million federal grant to boost college readiness during the next six years. Implementation begins this fall with sixth graders at 13 schools. In all, 4,000 students will benefit as they progress to high school.

The Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Education (GEAR UP) grant will help to improve teacher training, academic counseling and parent involvement.

Schools participating in the grant are Butler, DeMille, Franklin, Hamilton, Hill, Jefferson, Lindbergh, Marshall, Powell, Robinson, Stephens, Lindsey and Washington.

The Job Board

• Burnett Elementary School is seeking a first grade EXCEL teacher. Applicants should e-mail a resume to Lucy Salazar, principal, at lsalazar@lbusd.k12.ca.us by Sept. 14.

• Applications are now being accepted at the Personnel Commission, 999 Atlantic Ave., for instructional aide-mobile classroom and supervisor-autism services.

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• Promotions

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assistant principal, Bancroft.

Assistant principal Jeffrey Johnson was reassigned from Cabrillo to School for Adults. Bruce Mims, an assistant principal in Rialto Unified, becomes assistant principal, Jordan. Barbara Gilmore returns from leave to become assistant principal, CAMS. William Davidson becomes assistant principal at Bancroft; he was vice principal, Powell.

Promoted to head counselor at Avalon is Richard Guerra; he was counselor, School for Adults. Lester Lawson IV was promoted to acting activities specialist, Cabrillo; he was a teacher at Harte.

Becoming assistant principal are Troy Bennett, Butler, was vice principal, Student Support Services; and Kimberly Carpenter, Newcomb/Gompers, was vice principal, Newcomb/Middle & K-8 Office.

Rebecca Afghani was promoted to program specialist, OCIPD; she was teacher on special assignment, OCIPD. Becoming administrative assistants are Diane Groh, Student Support Services, was assistant principal, Marshall; and Robert Tagorda, Superintendent's Office, was Broad resident, Superintendent's Office. Reassigned program specialists are Myrna Almas, from HRS/OCIPD to HRS; and Lori Grace, from leave of absence to OCIPD.

Dates to Remember

September

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| 7 | 10:00, 11:30, 12:00, 12:30— "Riding Your School Bus Safely," Grades 6-12, ed.tv 8 |
| 8 | International Literacy Day |
| 9 | Admission Day |
| 9 | Grandparents' Day |
| 11 | Patriot Day |
| 11 | 10:00, 11:30, 12:00, 12:30— "Getting to School the Safe Way," Grades 1-5, ed.tv 8 |
| 11 | 8:00, 9:30, 2:00— "Fireboat: The Heroic Adventures of the John J. Harvey," Grades K-3, ed.tv 8 |
| 13 | Ramadan, First Day |
| 13-14 | Rosh Hashanah |
| 13 | 10:00, 11:30, 12:00, 12:30— Operation School Bus Safety: Be Cool, Follow the Rules," Grades K-2, ed.tv 8 |
| 14 | 10:00, 11:30, 12:00, 12:30— Beginning Responsibility: Learning to Follow Instructions," Grades 1-3, ed.tv 8 |
| 15-16 | Mexican Independence Days |
| 15-Oct. 15 | Hispanic Heritage Month |
| 17 | Citizenship Day |
| 17-23 | Constitution Week |
| 18 | 10:00, 11:30, 12:00, 12:30— "School Bus Safety," Grades 3-5, ed.tv 8 |
| 19 | Back to School Night—Elementary |
| 19 | 8:00, 10:15, 11:30, 1:00, 2:00— "Native American Day," Grades K-3, ed.tv 8 |
| 20 | 10:00, 11:30, 12:00, 11:30— "School Bus and the Exceptional Child," Grades K-12, ed.tv 8 |
| 21 | International Day of Peace |
| 21 | 10:00, 11:30, 12:00, 12:30— "Beginning Responsibility: A Lunch Room Goes Bananas," Grades K-3, ed.tv 8 |
| 22 | Yom Kippur |
| 25 | 10:00, 11:30, 12:00, 12:30— "Staying Out of Trouble With Your Friends (Duffy's Story)," Grades 3-4, ed.tv 8 |
| 26 | 8:00, 10:15, 11:30, 1:00, 2:00— "Pocahontas," Grades 3-8, ed.tv 8 |
| 27-28 | Sukkot |
| 27 | 10:00, 11:30, 12:00, 12:30— "Ask For It," Grades 1-2, ed.tv 8 |
| 28 | 10:00, 11:30, 12:00, 12:30— "Getting To School Safely Is Your Job," Grades K-3, ed.tv 8 |

Retirement Event

| Honoree | Date | Contact |
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| Bob Hedges | Sept. 21 | Kim Weber 938-8958 |

Website Redesigned

The Long Beach Unified School District begins the new school year with a redesigned website, complete with a new look, more features and a new name: lbschools.net.

The new name replaces lbusd.k12.ca.us. The old site will automatically redirect visitors to the new site. School district e-mail addresses which end in @lbusd.k12.ca.us will now also work with the @lbschools.net ending.

In Memoriam

Edythe Jacobs
former instructional aide-special
June 29, 2007

Gloria Hendricks
former teacher
July 28, 2007

Roxy Richmond
former teacher
July 29, 2007

Alverta Golston
former custodian supervisor II
July 31, 2007

Frank Neaves
former electronics shop supervisor
August 2, 2007