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Author Event Free For LBUSD Students

The popular Long Beach Reads One Book program has been revitalized by Long Beach City College and the LBCC Foundation after a six-year hiatus. The New York Times Bestselling graphic novel “They Called Us Enemy” by actor, author and social justice activist George Takei was selected as this year’s book. The weeks-long program will conclude with a community event with Takei from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday, March 19 at the LBCC Liberal Arts Campus Hall of Champions Gymnasium, where Long Beach Unified School District students can attend free with student I.D. The campus is located at 4901 E. Carson St., Long Beach.



Takei

“They Called Us Enemy” is a graphic memoir recounting Takei’s childhood imprisoned within American internment camps during World War II and his firsthand account of those years behind barbed wire, the joys of childhood and the terrors of growing up under legalized racism, his mother’s hard choices, his father’s faith in democracy, and the way those experiences planted the seeds for his astonishing future.

The Los Angeles Times called the book “powerful, moving and relevant.” The Washington Post describes Takei as “an increasingly powerful voice for oppressed communities” and “an unflinching force in these divisive times.”

The book can be purchased at Gatsby Books in Long Beach, major retail and online bookstores, and at both LBCC Viking Bookstores.

At the March 19 event, Takei also will discuss his world-renowned role playing Hikaru Sulu on Star Trek. Tickets for non-students are \$10 and include a raffle ticket to win an autographed copy of “They Called Us Enemy.”

Visit LBCC.edu/LBReadsOneBook to RSVP.

Assistees Provide 10,000 Meals to Families

Local students participating in the Assistance League of Long Beach’s Assistees Auxiliary are helping to provide 10,000 meals to fellow students whose families are in need of food.

The Operation School Bell Adopt a Family Student Food Program held a recent meal creation event where Long Beach Unified School District students, staff and other volunteers assembled care packages.

“What an honor to stand alongside this

Share Your Thoughts on Supt. Selection

A series of community forums on the selection of a new superintendent for the Long Beach Unified School District continues through March 14. The school district also will offer a chance for employees and members of the public to provide feedback on the superintendent selection electronically via Thought Exchange from Feb. 24 to March 6. To participate, go to Supt. Selection Thought Exchange on the home page at lbschools.net starting Feb. 24.

In December, Superintendent Christopher J. Steinhauser announced his retirement effective at the end of this academic year. The Board of Education has since approved a process to select a new superintendent of schools. The approved timeline calls for a new superintendent to be selected as early as May 6.

The approved process, available at lbschools.net, also provides details on the search for internal and external candidates, recruitment strategy and public outreach,

including an advisory committee and various community meetings.

The community forums are live-streamed via YouTube. The first three forums were held recently at Cabrillo, Lakewood and Jordan high schools. The schedule of remaining community forums is:

- 6:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 24, Wilson High School Auditorium, 4400 E. 10th St., Long Beach
- 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 3, Renaissance High School for the Arts, Performing Arts Center, 235 E. 8th St., Long Beach
- 6 p.m. Thursday, March 5, Prisk Elementary School Auditorium, 2375 Fanwood Ave., Long Beach
- 9 a.m. Saturday, March 14, Cabrillo High School Auditorium, 2001 Santa Fe Ave., Long Beach.

Find updates and related resources under Superintendent Selection in the A-Z index at lbschools.net.

Community Meetings Planned on Facilities

The Long Beach Unified School District is holding several community meetings in the coming weeks to help finalize school facilities priorities.

The latest outreach effort comes as the school district works to update its Facility Master Plan, a long-term blueprint for meeting the changing needs of schools. The original plan was developed in 2008 with input from dozens of community meetings over a period of more than two years, and it has undergone updates since then.

Members of the public are invited to attend these community meetings offered throughout the various regions of the school district.

Attendees from high school and feeder school communities in each respective area are encouraged to provide input and view information on school-specific needs and concepts.

An initial meeting was held at Jordan High School on Feb. 18. The remaining schedule is:

- 5 p.m. Monday, Feb. 24, Poly High School

Library, 1600 Atlantic Ave., Long Beach. High schools and feeder schools include Birney, Cabrillo, CAMS, EPHS, Garfield, Hudson, Lafayette, PAAL, Poly, Muir, Reid, Robinson, Roosevelt, Smith and Webster.

- 5 p.m. Monday, Feb. 24, Renaissance High

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ASSISTEENS – Wilson High School students and Assistees Kristin Berry and Mina Matta assemble meal packets as part of an Adopt a Family program to help fellow students in need.

incredible group of local high school students to pack 5,000 packets and 10,000 meals for families in Long Beach who are experiencing food insecurity,” LBUSD Deputy Superintendent of Schools Jill Baker said. “Big thanks to the Assistance League of Long Beach and the Assistees for your leadership and commitment to our community. Our LBUSD team loved being with you!”

The nonprofit Assistance League of Long

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3 Schools Accept Distinguished Award

Alvarado, Lafayette and Twain elementary schools accepted California Distinguished School Awards this month at the Disneyland Resort in Anaheim. The awards recognize schools for exceptional gains in student achievement.

The three schools were among 323 statewide earning recognition. The award is a first for Lafayette, while Alvarado and Twain are repeat winners.

Elementary schools and secondary (middle and high) schools are recognized in alternate years.

The awards honor schools that demonstrate educational excellence and progress in narrowing achievement gaps.

Winners must meet a variety of criteria including exemplary performance on state accountability measures.

For more information, search for "California Distinguished Schools Program" at cde.ca.gov.

Teacher Recruitment Evening at Cabrillo

The Long Beach Unified School District will host a Teacher and Administrator Recruitment Night 6 to 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 25 in the Cabrillo High School Auditorium, 2001 Santa Fe Ave., Long Beach.

The school district seeks job candidates committed to equity and excellence in education for students of diverse backgrounds. Learn about K-12 salary and benefits, special education, dual immersion and leadership development programs.

RSVP by texting LBUSD Recruitment to 52855.

Call 997-8208 or email teach@lbschools.net for more information on teacher recruitment.

For more information on leadership development programs, call 997-8328 or email kan@lbschools.net.

Facilities Meetings

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School Theater, 235 E. 8th St., Long Beach. High school and feeder schools include Chavez, Edison, Franklin, Herrera, Lincoln, Oropeza, Renaissance, Stevenson, Whittier and Willard.

• 5 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 27, Browning High School Multipurpose Room, 2180 Obispo Ave., Long Beach. High schools and feeder schools include Alvarado, Avalon, Browning, Bryant, Burbank, Fremont, Jefferson, Kettering, Long Beach School for Adults, Lowell, Mann, Naples, Nelson, Rogers, Sato, Signal Hill, Tincher, Two Harbors and Wilson.

• 5 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 27, Lakewood High School Library, 4400 Briercreech Ave., Lakewood. High schools and feeder schools include Bancroft, Beach, Bixby, Burcham, Carver, Cleveland, Cubberley, Emerson, Gant, Gompers, Henry, Holmes, Hoover, Keller, Lakewood, MacArthur, Madison, Marshall, McBride, Millikan, Newcomb, Prisk, Riley, Stanford and Twain.

Learn more at lbschoolbonds.net.

DISTINGUISHED – Alvarado Elementary School Principal Cheryl Huber and the school's former Principal Lucy Salazar celebrate during the California Distinguished School Awards ceremonies at the Disneyland Resort. Salazar was principal last year and is now Director of Community Partnerships for LBUSD.



Submit Requests for Transfer by March 31

Human Resource Services is accepting transfer requests from teachers who wish to change school sites for the 2020-21 school year. See the Teachers Association of Long Beach agreement, Article VIII for guidelines.

Applications are now available and are due March 31. The application can be completed and submitted online via the myLBUSD portal at lbschools.net. Go to Employees, then myLBUSD. Log in with your username and password. From the applications menu, select My Employee Information, then Certificated Transfers.

Request for Transfer forms are also available at schools and the TALB office, and they can be downloaded and printed from the lbschools.net public website (select Human Resource Services in the A-Z index, then For Current Employees). Computers are also available for use in the HRS lobby.

Teachers may submit requests for transfer whether or not that position appears as a vacan-

cy. Transfer requests are valid through the end of the first seven student days of the following traditional school year. Call ext. 8658 or email Transfer@lbschools.net for more information.

Assistees

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Beach is more than 800 volunteers strong and is the largest of the Assistance League's 120 chapters nationwide. Founded in 1940, the organization's many philanthropic projects include providing thousands of new school uniforms for children in need each year, low-cost orthodontic care, college scholarships for deserving students, and more. Learn more at assistanceleague.org/longbeach.

Dates to Remember

March

	American Red Cross Month
	Music in Our Schools Month
	Middle Level Education Month
	National Nutrition Month
	Women's History Month
	Youth Art Month
	Social Work Month
	National School Social Work Week
1-7	NEA's Read Across America
2	Adoption of U.S. National Anthem
3	Elementary Schools Conference Days
3-4	9:00, 9:30, 10:00, 11:30, 12:00, 12:30, 1:00,
3	2:00— "The American Parade: We the Women," Grades 9-12, ed.tv 8
4	8:00, 10:15, 11:30, 1:00, 2:00— "Benjamin Franklin," Grades 2-8, ed.tv 8
6	10:00, 11:30, 12:00, 12:30— "School Bus Safety," Grades 3-5, ed.tv 8
8	International Women's Day
8	Daylight Saving Time Day
10	9:00, 9:30, 10:00, 11:30, 12:00, 12:30, 1:00,
	2:00— "The Struggle for Women's Rights,"
	Grades 9-12, ed.tv 8
11	Johnny Applesseed Day
13	10:00, 11:30, 12:00, 12:30; 31 - 9:00, 9:30,
	10:00, 11:30, 12:00, 12:30, 1:00, 2:00— "The
	Velveteen Rabbit," Grades K-5, ed.tv 8
16	Anniversary of First African-American
	Newspaper Published in U.S.
17	St. Patrick's Day
17	9:00, 9:30, 10:00, 11:30, 12:00, 12:30, 1:00,
	2:00— "Operation School Bus Safety: Be
	Cool, Follow the Rules," Grades K-12, ed.tv 8
19	First Day of Spring
20-May 31	Great American Cleanup
20	10:00, 11:30, 12:00, 12:30— "No Time to
	Waste," Grades 4-12, ed.tv 8
23	Anniversary of Patrick Henry's Speech
24	9:00, 9:30, 10:00, 11:30, 12:00, 12:30, 1:00,
	2:00— "César Chávez," Grades 3-12, ed.tv 8
27	10:00, 11:30, 12:00, 12:30— "Shape Hunting:
	Circles, Triangles, Rectangles, Squares,"
	Grades K-3, ed.tv 8
31	César Chávez Day
31	Third Quarter Ends

In Memoriam

Mary Stebbins
former secondary teacher
December 29, 2019

Elizabeth Cook
former secretary
January 19, 2020

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