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Bulletin Board Presentation - Lake View Elementary

Lake View Principal Jill Van Der Linden shared insights on how our STEAM school is shaping critical thinkers equipped to conquer our complex world. Last year, one of its STEAM coaches introduced Building Thinking Classrooms to the school to foster creative thinking, teamwork and tackle complex mathematical challenges. Teacher Kris Serven, who trained Lake View teachers to use these strategies in their own classrooms, highlighted this innovative approach that cultivates problem-solving, communication, perseverance and many other essential 21st-century skills.



Board of Trustees Vote to Consolidate Spring View Middle School

Due to a decline in student enrollment over the past decade, along with low schools' enrollment and the impact of California's declining birth rate and population, the Ocean View School District is facing challenges that extend to its state and federal funding, staffing, facility utilization, and the arrangement of classes in schools. Following an analysis of enrollment patterns, budgetary information, and insights from the Superintendent's Schools Task Force and community stakeholders, the District Board of Trustees made the difficult decision to consolidate Spring View Middle School. Our District Team will work closely with our middle schools to facilitate this transition. We are committed to providing the necessary support to address the academic and emotional needs of our students and parents. In the coming months, additional information will be provided in a timely manner about the consolidation process, including, but not limited to, transportation, transfer options, and a timeline of what to expect. The three elementary schools that faced possible consolidation - Circle View, Golden View and Village View - will remain open.

Board Reappoints Lance Bidnick to Personnel Commission

The OVSD Board of Trustees reappointed Lance Bidnick as their representative on the three-member Personnel Commission. Bidnick has served on the Personnel Commission for the past six years and will serve another three-year term, commencing December 1, 2023. Bidnick, a former student and employee of Ocean View School District, is a current OVSD parent and community member.

