



INSPIRATION

From Ted Alejandre



County Superintendent's Monthly Message



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With spring upon us, students across San Bernardino County are blooming with talent! We saw our budding engineers and scientists recognized at the San Bernardino, Inyo and Mono Counties Science and Engineering Fair.

Students across the county also buzzed with excitement during our 2nd Annual Spelling Bee and nearly 180 students participated in this year's History Day competition.

We are proud to provide avenues of academic enrichment through a variety of student competitions with our education partners which helps expand the learning tools available to our students.

Please [watch](#) this month's Inspiration video newsletter to learn more about the collaborations and to explore how we are transforming lives through education.

Sincerely,



The Newsroom

Student Voice Transforms Communities



High School students from across the county are using their voice to make a positive impact in our community through the 8th Annual San Bernardino County Student Advisory Panel.

Approximately 200 students from the East Valley, High Desert, Needles, Trona and West End regions are representing their high schools and collaborating with students from other school districts. During four

sessions, they discussed safety, education, the economy and access to health and wellness. During the final sessions in March, they presented their recommendations to a panel of elected officials and community members.

In the past, students have advocated for change and enacted change through their recommendations!

This program is close to my heart because I believe student voice matters, and we are here to listen. With the help of dedicated San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools (SBCSS) staff and our school districts, what started as an idea has grown into an incredible platform that allows students to be heard and to make positive contributions to our community.

[Learn more.](#)

SBCSS Rallies Behind Reading



The SBCSS annual Reading Rally took place from Feb. 28 to March 4. The event supports the countywide Vision2Read Initiative, which aims to raise the bar for literacy.

SBCSS hosted a community book donation drive in support of California State Superintendent of Public Instruction Tony Thurmond's statewide effort to provide one million books for students and their families. We also launched a digital library of recorded read-aloud books for children in both English and Spanish.

Read Across America Day, a national celebration of reading, took place on March 2. I joined other staff members as we read to students during reading rallies and literacy assemblies throughout the county.

San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools offers support for schools within the county who have Parent Teacher Association councils and are interested in hosting a literacy-related school event. The support we provide is part of a countywide effort to promote literacy.

SBCSS is accepting applications throughout the year. You may send an [email here](#) for more information.

[Access literary resources and learn more here.](#)

Welding Program Sparks Career Possibilities



Students at David Stine Chaffey West County Community School took part in a pilot welding program.

The non-profit organization ReIGNITE Hope rolled up in their 51-foot trailer. It's a welding classroom on wheels!

We are so proud of all the students in the last class. Through this mobile program, they learned the skills and knowledge to pass their certification test given by the American Welding Society. Congratulations!

[Watch the video to learn more!](#)

SBCSS in the News

Please click on the links below the photos to watch the news stories featuring the positive programs and work we are doing here at San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools.



[Click to watch](#) what aired on KCAL9 about our County Schools Special Education program and how we are connecting students with communication devices.



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Superintendent Alejandre issues this monthly publication to keep stakeholders informed about the many services and programs SBCSS provides to our learning community throughout the year.

[View the 2020 archive.](#)