

INSPIRATION

From the desk of Ted Alejandre



County Superintendent's Monthly Message



Welcome to the 2022-23 school year!

This is such an exciting time as nearly 400,000 students across our county reunite with their teachers, friends and classmates.

Our educators are launching into the new school year rejuvenated, re-energized and ready to transform lives through education.

San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools will continue to keep our students at the center of all our priorities as we work to not only enrich their minds, but strengthen their emotional wellbeing and mental health.

I commend all of our educational leaders as we aim to enhance learning and teaching while keeping our students and staff safe.

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

Sincerely,

Ted Alejandre
County Superintendent of Schools



The Newsroom

Welcome Back to School!!



[Please click](#) on the video above to watch my Back to School message for students, families and educators throughout the county.



Our SBCSS Student Services leadership team members, support staff and presenters are ready for the school year after participating in the Student Services Leadership Retreat!

Backpack Giveaways



San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools (SBCSS) partnered with various community groups to hold four backpack giveaways across the county, distributing more than 10,000 backpacks to students PK through grade 12.

The first drive-thru event took place on Thursday, July 21 at the San Bernardino County Fairgrounds in Victorville, CA.

Students and families received backpacks filled with back-to-school supplies, books

haircuts and health services.

Staff and volunteers also provided families with food boxes filled with fruit, vegetables, canned foods and pasta to ensure students have nutritious and well-balanced meals.

SBCSS, in partnership with various community organizations, continued these same efforts at three additional events located at San Bernardino Valley College, Joshua Tree Elementary School and Melva Davis Academy of Excellence.



Mental Health Student Leadership

The San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools, in partnership with the Institute for Child Development and Family Relations at California State University, San Bernardino (CSUSB), provided a week-long suicide prevention training for university students.

During the week of Aug. 8, CSUSB students experienced in-depth training on suicide prevention, leadership skills development and knowledge about mental health challenges.



"I think the biggest talking point here is to be there for somebody," said CSUSB graduate student Ulises Velasco. "If you notice somebody looking down, you can be that one person that gets them out of their bad day or bad moment or those suicidal thoughts by giving them an ear and by lending them a shoulder to cry on. Everybody is capable of being that support buddy for somebody."

Students were equipped with the fundamental knowledge and tools necessary to provide support to their peers in times of crisis. They will continue year-round learning with quarterly check-ins to provide updates, program shakeouts and booster training.

[Learn more.](#)

Get Ready to Fast Forward at the 2023 CISC Leadership Symposium!

Registration is now open for the annual Curriculum and Instruction Steering Committee (CISC) Symposium held in Monterey, CA.

SBCSS is hosting this year's event on February 22-24, 2023.



The annual CISC Leadership Symposium brings together over 1,000 educational leaders from throughout the State for three days of networking and learning about the latest shifts in education and models of innovative action.

For more information, visit www.ciscsymposium.org.

Veterans Diploma Project Now Accepting Applications

Applications are now being accepted for the annual ceremony that awards diplomas to eligible individuals whose high school education was interrupted due to military service or internment in a Japanese American relocation camp.

The San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools, in partnership with the County of San Bernardino Department of Veterans Affairs, is pleased to announce the 14th annual San Bernardino County Operation Recognition Veterans Diploma Project.

This project provides an opportunity for veterans and internees that may qualify for a high school diploma to be presented with a diploma as authorized through the California Education Code.



14th Annual
Operation Recognition

VETERANS DIPLOMA PROJECT

Thursday, December 8, 2022
 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Roy C Hill Education Center
 601 North E Street, San Bernardino, CA 92415
 Room C

Diana.Carballo@sbcss.net | 909.386.2406

Applications can be downloaded from our website at
<http://vdp.sbcss.k12.ca.us>



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Veterans who served in and received an honorable discharge from World War II, the Korean War or the Vietnam War, or individuals who were interned in a Japanese American relocation camp are eligible to participate.

Surviving family members of those who meet these requirements are also encouraged to apply for posthumous recognition.

The applicant must be a current San Bernardino County resident and have been enrolled in high school prior to enlistment or internment. There is no charge to participate.

To be considered for this year's recognition, applications must be submitted by Monday, October 24.

Applicants will be notified of their status by October 27

and qualified applicants will be provided with ceremony details.

[Learn more.](#)

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San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools acts as an intermediate service agency between the California Department of Education and the 33 school districts in San Bernardino County to help meet the educational needs of all children county-wide.

We are committed to working with our school districts, other agencies, families and the community at large by providing services, information and leadership, always with a focus on students.

Professional Learning Services



About Education Support Services

As a branch within the San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools, Education Support Services (ESS) provides transformative professional development and technical assistance to support educational outcomes throughout San Bernardino County. ESS provides services linked to California's educational priorities. ESS engages in collaboration with educational partners across the county.

The Education Support Services branch is committed to providing an equitable, rigorous, and engaging education for ALL students.

Ms. Miki Rene Inbody,
Assistant Superintendent

For additional information, please contact:
Mr. Michael Jorgensen by e-mail at michael.jorgensen@sbcss or by calling 909.386.2600.

To view the online Professional Learning Services, scan the QR code
sbcss.instructure.com/courses/1338

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2022-23

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SBCSS in the News



[Click to watch](#) the story that aired on ABC7 about a press conference on the Safer Communities Act. San Bernardino County Superintendent Ted Alejandro joined Congressman Pete Aguilar and San Bernardino City Unified School District Police Chief Joseph Paulino.



[Click to watch](#) the press conference aired on KTLA on the Safer Communities Act. San Bernardino County Superintendent Ted Alejandro joined Congressman Pete Aguilar and San Bernardino City Unified School District Police Chief Joseph Paulino.



[Click to watch](#) San Bernardino County Superintendent Ted Alejandro featured in a story that aired on ABC7 about a new state law requiring later school start times.

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Keep up with the latest stories from our Newsroom. Monthly articles feature staff, students and outstanding work being done throughout our county.



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See the latest photos in our official SBCSS gallery. Each month we add images from noteworthy events that highlight staff, students and programs across San Bernardino County.

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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.](#)