

2025 - 2026 School Year



Superintendent's Report to the Board of Trustees

June 25, 2026

Dr. Virginia Castro, Superintendent

Superintendent's Office



Lucille J. Smith Elementary

Lucille J. Smith Elementary received the 2026 California Blue Ribbon Award, one of the highest honors a school can receive. This prestigious recognition celebrates schools that demonstrate academic excellence and a strong commitment to closing achievement gaps.

Superintendent's Office



2026

**Jane Addams Middle School
Will Rogers Middle School**

Jane Addams and Will Rogers Middle Schools have been named 2026 California Distinguished Schools! This prestigious recognition honors their outstanding academic achievements, strong leadership, and commitment to creating a positive and inclusive learning environment where students thrive.

Superintendent's Office



Jane Addams Middle School
Lucille J. Smith Elementary
Mark Twain Elementary
William Anderson Elementary

Jane Addams Middle School, Lucille J. Smith Elementary, Mark Twain Elementary, and William Anderson Elementary were named to the Honor Roll list recognizing California public schools, districts, and charter schools for strong academic achievement and success in closing achievement gaps.

Superintendent's Office



State Superintendent
Tony Thurmond Announces

Model School Attendance Review Board Recipients for 2026



Lawndale Elementary School District was recognized as a State SARB Model Program—1 of only 13 districts in the entire state of California and the only district in Los Angeles County with this distinction!

This honor reflects our commitment to strong attendance systems, early interventions, and whole-child support, ensuring that every student has the opportunity to thrive academically, socially, and emotionally.

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All Lawndale Elementary School District schools received a Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) Award this year, with every school advancing to a higher level of recognition for fostering positive, supportive, and inclusive school communities.

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GOLD Award 2025

Billy Mitchell Elementary School

SILVER Award 2025

William Green Elementary School

LEAP Award 2025

F.D. Roosevelt Elementary School

Jane Addams Middle School

Will Rogers Middle School

School Award 2025

Lucille J. Smith Elementary School

Mark Twain Elementary School

William Anderson Elementary School

Out-of-School Time Award 2025

Billy Mitchell Elementary School (RAP)

Lucille J. Smith Elementary School (RAP)

Mark Twain Elementary School (RAP)

William Anderson Elementary School (RAP)

All schools within the Lawndale Elementary School District have been recognized with 2025 LEAP Awards for their commitment to creating healthy, supportive learning environments that promote student well-being, with Billy Mitchell Elementary earning Gold and William Green Elementary earning Silver.

Educational Services

Celebrated **20 years** of dual immersion at Mark Twain Elementary.



Educational Services

Friendship Clubs have expanded across the district to include:

- Billy Mitchell Elementary School
- William Anderson Elementary School
- Franklin D. Roosevelt Elementary School
- Jane Addams Middle School

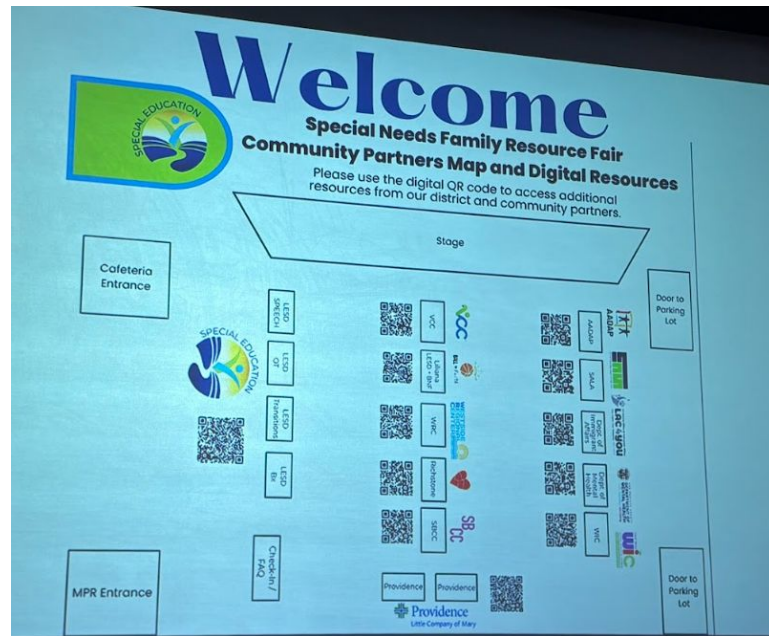


Educational Services

Developed a new parent-led GATE & High Achieving Support Group.



Expanded our Special Needs Family Support Group and had our first Resource Fair!



Educational Services

Our Community Schools hosted eight food distributions this year, serving approximately 250 families at each event.

In addition, they organized our first Grateful Gathering Resource Fair, a College & Career Fair, and multiple family workshops, helping connect students and families with valuable resources.



Human Resources



Human Resources

We Are Here to Support You

July 2026

Active Employee Health Benefits Information



LAWNDALE
Elementary School District

*Open Enrollment Newsletter will
be emailed to staff
July 17th.*

Current LESD Employment Opportunities

Certificated	Classified
	Instructional Asst. (SPED) Senior Accounting Technician Student Supervision Assistant Behavior Intervention Technician Preschool Instructional Assistant

Please Apply @ EDJOIN.ORG
OR
@ www.lawndalesd.net “Career” Tab



Business- E-Bike Planning Meeting



- On Tuesday, June 16, the City of Lawndale organized a meeting with LESD and the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department to discuss e-bike safety concerns near schools and in the community.
- Attendees included representatives from the City/Public Works, Sheriff's Department, and LESD.
- Safety concerns included e-bike riders running stop signs and red lights, riding without helmets, and creating hazards for pedestrians.
- The group agreed to initially focus on education rather than enforcement, with a follow-up meeting scheduled for July to continue collaboration and discuss next steps.



Business- Construction Update (Playground @ Roosevelt)



Educational Services

Summer Programming is Underway!

