

## Weekly from Dr. Rudolph

April 27, 2018

### Upcoming Events

Monday, April 30	Mistral SSC/ELAC, 3:30 p.m.
Tuesday, May 1	Stevenson Foundation, 3:30 p.m.
Wednesday, May 2	Mistral Concert at CSMA, 5:00 p.m. Castro SSC, 5:00 p.m.
Thursday, May 3	Castro/Mistral Walk/Bike to School Day Bubb Cinco De Mayo Festival, 11:30 a.m. Theuerkauf Multicultural Celebration, 12:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Board Meeting, Graham MUR
Friday, May 4	Mistral Cafecito, 8:30 a.m. Graham Spring Fling, 3:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

### The Superintendent's Calendar in Review

- Met with five direct reports
- Led the weekly Cabinet meeting
- Visited dual immersion schools in Chula Vista and Hollister
- Facilitated the Enrollment Priorities Task Force
- Attended the funeral service for Theuerkauf custodian, Johnny Onipede
- Participated in the Board retreat on dual immersion

### From the Public Information Officer

- Multiple public records requests
- Attendance, planning and promotion of New Elementary School groundbreaking (April 26)
- Parent and staff communications
- Work on promoting several District initiatives (RTI, LCAP, etc.)
- Social media and web site updates
- Summer feeding marketing materials
- Parcel tax exemptions marketing to community
- Construction communications planning

### From the Director of Technology

- Supporting the sites with the start of state testing
- Supporting the middle schools with scheduling for the 2018-19 school year
- Visit from the county for a pre-inspection ahead of the completion of the dark fiber connection to the county office of education

### From the Chief Business Officer

## **Capital Projects**

Projects are continuing.

The Mistral new kindergarten wing will not be ready for the start of school, but will be complete later in the fall. Site and District staff, along with the Project Manager, have found a solution to accommodate the delay. There is a risk still remaining that the Mistral new Admin building will be delayed to Summer 2019. Staff and the consultants are working diligently with the Division of the State Architect (DSA) to not let that happen. Staff is working to finalize the school moves schedule to vacate the classrooms for summer construction projects.

## **Fiscal**

As part of 2018-2019 adoption budget, we continue visiting school sites and meeting with departments this week. During the meetings, we review current year 2017-2018 budget versus actual and 2018-2019 budget allocations for sites and projections for departments.

## **Food & Nutrition Services**

Food service last week and this week worked and planned toward the new summer Seamless Program and additional mobile sites.

## **Maintenance, Operations and Transportation**

We are still keeping work orders at a very low count and planning the summer cleaning schedules as well as the summer school moves.

## **Transportation**

We are starting to get the summer routes done along with all of the summer field trips

## **General Business/Chief Business Officer**

Dr. Clark presented budget impact in Mountain View Educators Association negotiations. He continued working with Educational Services staff on the 2017-2018 LCAP annual update. Check in meetings with Superintendent, and three Business Services Directors. Attended the groundbreaking ceremony for the new elementary school on North Whisman.

## **From the Chief Academic Officer**

Cathy Baur went with a District team to visit a Dual Immersion program in Hollister. The program was a 50/50 model in grades K-8 with strong academic results.

Cathy spent a majority of the week working on the District LCAP. The LCAP will be posted to the District website for public comment no later than May 7. It will be shared with DELAC on May 14 and DAC on May 9 for feedback. The District will take the draft to the Board of Trustees for an initial review on May 17<sup>th</sup>. The final response numbers from the LCAP survey were:

Students: 2,233

Staff: 314

Parents: 1,087

The parent responses were slightly lower than in the previous year. The administration of the new climate survey might have had an impact on the response numbers.

## **Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment**

State testing is in full swing and the Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment department has been working to support sites and answer questions about testing.

Tara has also been working with the teachers on the Professional Development Committee to plan training options for teachers during the summer and through the 2018-19 school year. Tara has also met with one site administrator and Middle School Literacy coaches to support planning for the remainder of this school year and next.

Cindy Lundberg has focused this week on planning and preparation for summer school. She also visited the District Independent Study Program.

## **State and Federal Programs and Strategic Initiatives**

**4/23:** ALL family/student follow up meeting at Crittenden Middle School. This was the last of four meetings held throughout the year. Follow up support meeting held with 2017 summer LTEL ALL program cohort. Focus on steps to success, positive attitudes, and review of current PowerSchool grades. Families and students engaged in all activities led by the summer school instructional staff supported by district administration and middle school and community engagement facilitators.

**4/25:** School and community engagement facilitator staff meeting. Evaluations, parent engagement data, summer professional learning planning topics reviewed.

**4/24 & 4/26** Site visits to select Chula Vista and Hollister Dual Immersion programs made by Arline Siam with district team. Observation of best practices, curriculum and dual language leadership strategies.

**4/23-4/27:** Continued Federal Program Monitoring follow up tasks.

**4/27:** EL Assessment Coordinator meeting to review expenditures and hours thus far for ELPAC testing. Discussion of efficiency strategies to maximize time on task. Reclassification ceremony details were also discussed.

## **Special Education**

Hiring efforts continue for three open special day class positions, two at Graham and one at Landels. We have begun reaching out to contractors to see if they have teachers available. Acantha Ellard trained moderate/severe program teachers in the administration of the California Alternate Assessment (some students with disabilities take this in lieu of the Smarter Balanced Summative Assessment). Gary attended the monthly Northwest SELPA meeting.

## **Preschool**

The QRIS re-rating process for Theuerkauf Preschool has been completed. The Quality Rating and Improvement System (QRIS) is an external quality assessment system with mandated participation for state funded preschool programs. This year, Theuerkauf Preschool maintains its Tier 5 (Platinum) status by earning 34 out of a possible 35 quality indicator points. Tier 5 is the highest rating that an early childhood education program can receive. QRIS rating results are publicly posted (as required by the California Department of Education) on the First 5 website and tier

ratings are translated into a user-friendly Bronze - Platinum system. A brief explanation of the QRIS and a list of all programs in the county that have been rated are available at: <https://www.first5kids.org/early-learning/qualitymatters>

### **From the Chief Human Relations Officer**

#### **Teacher Vacancies Update:**

As of Friday, 4/27/18, we still have the following teaching openings:

- 1 Preschool Teacher at Castro Preschool
- 4 Middle School Positions: two English Language Arts at Graham and two Social Science at Crittenden
- 3 Special Education Teachers at Landels, Graham, and Theuerkauf

Our newest tech support technician Chaston Matheny has completed the hiring process and will begin work on Monday 4/30 with the Tech Dept.

#### **Visit to Chula Vista and Hollister:**

Accompanied Dr. Rudolph, Arline Siam, Trustee Tamara Wilson to Chula Vista to visit two Elementary Schools that have proven student success with their Dual Language Programs: Veterans Elementary School and East Village Elementary School. I also accompanied Dr. Rudolph, Trustee Ellen Wheeler, Arline Siam and Cathy Baur to visit Hollister Dual Language Academy.

#### **Meetings This Week:**

- Michael Hermosillo, incoming Principal of Graham School
- Schuyler Adkins of TeachBoost to develop a contract to continue using TeachBoost as our online teacher evaluation system for the 2018-19 school year
- Tabitha Miller, incoming Principal of Mistral School
- Weekly meetings with direct reports
- El Camino Hospital is auditing our grant, attending the program audit meeting at Graham School with El Camino auditors and District Health Services Staff
- Facilitated MVEA negotiations
- Attended EPTF meeting
- Worked with Mistral parent leaders (PTA, SSC and ELAC) and arranged for "Meet and Greet" for Tabitha Miller to meet the Mistral Parent Community this Saturday from 3:30-5:30 pm.
- Will attend and participate in the Board's Study Session on Dual Language

#### **Student Services**

We continue to monitor enrollment in the district in order to determine teacher staffing for the 2018-19 school year.