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TUSD NEWS



Tracy Unified School District

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Superintendent's Office



Board Meetings: *March 14, 28*

ERWs: March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

Teacher Pre-Service Day: March 3 - No School

Art Show

March 1-31 - District Office

Upcoming:

Spring Break April 7 - 14th

Educator Fair:

March 4 – 8:30-12:00 pm Teachers College of San Joaquin 2721 Transworld Drive, Stockton, CA

TUSD Info Page: View Here (Formerly the COVID page)



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In the Spotlight

Please take a moment to read through our school's learning activities and exciting events below! Follow this link:

In the Spotlight page



Dr. Rob Pecot, Superintendent

The end of the third quarter is upon us, and there is only one quarter left in the 22/23school year. This next stretch of weeks will bring with it some of the most exciting events of the school year. Schools are busy with Proms, Rally's, Award Ceremonies, Promotions, and Graduation. I hope that this season is a fun and memorable one for all.

Over the past few weeks, I have witnessed some exemplary work performed by both students and staff. One of the highlights for me was watching 8th grade students at North School conduct mini science lessons with lower grade students. Under the direction of science teacher Ms. Maralee Thorburn, students discussed the theories of sounds waves, refraction, energy, and other key scientific concepts. The interaction between the older students and younger students was priceless. Great collaboration and work are going on at all of our campuses, it is exciting to see.

The Tracy High School Mock Trial Team defeated St. Mary's at the county Mock Trial Competition and will be headed to the California State Finals. A huge congratulations to coach Alayna Carter and all the students involved. Tracy High School was also in the news for finishing second in the county Academic Decathlon.

Thank you to all the students who participated in the District Art Show which took place on Wednesday March 1st. If you have not had a chance to see the fine student produced artwork, please walk around the district office and take a look at what students have produced. The student artwork will be displayed for the entire month of March. Thank you to all the students and teachers who make this special event happen. I am already looking forward to the beginning of next month when the All-District Music Festival and Festival of Cultures will perform.

The Tracy Unified School Board of Education has an open position that will be filled at a Special Board Meeting on Wednesday March 22nd. Interested applicants should submit an application no later than March 15th. Applications are available at the District Office and online.



TUSD LCAP EDUCATIONAL PARTNERS OPPORTUNITY

Come and join us to learn about TUSD programs and services to support student success. All educational partners meetings will provide:

- **TUSD Student Data**
- Program Overview
- Opportunity for participants to provide input
- Opportunity for participants to ask questions about TUSD LCAP Programs and Services

Missed the meeting? Please attend VIRTUAL MEETING: **Thursday, March 16, 2023** Teams Link: LCAP VIRTUAL MEETING 6:00-7:30 P.M.

PARENT ENGAGEMENT SURVEY!!

This survey helps TUSD to reflect on its progress, successes, needs and areas of growth in the family engagement policies, programs, and practices. This survey will enable TUSD to engage in continuous improvement and determine next steps to make improvements to Family Engagement Practices.



TO ACCESS THE PARENT SURVEY:

1. Click this link https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/N9QLNF8: or scan the QR code



- 2. Choose the school site
- 3. Answer and submit the survey
- 4. If you have children at more than one school, follow the steps for each of the schools
- 5. Survey Open Window is March 1- March 30th, 2023



CVRA CALIFORNIA VOTING **RIGHTS ACT**

TUSD Board is taking steps toward creating seven separate trustee districts, eliminating the current atlarge system of electing school board members:

Board members are currently elected in "at-large" elections, where each member is elected by voters throughout the District. The California Voting Rights Act "CVRA") prohibits the use of "atlarge" elections in certain circumstances. Thus, in light of the CVRA, many school district and local agencies have transitioned from at-large to by-trustee area elections to avoid the cost associated with CVRA litigation.

Next Steps:

April-May 2023: Develop Trustee Area Maps with Public Input & Associated Public Hearings June 2023: Final Public Hearing & Adoption of Trustee Area Maps



Board of Education

BOARD RESIGNATION

TUSD Board Trustee, Ana Blanco, has resigned from the TUSD Board of Education effective February 15, 2023.

It is the intention of the Board of Education to appoint a person to fill the vacancy until the next trustee election in November, 2024.

Constituents residing in the TUSD elementary and/or high school boundaries who are interested in becoming a member of the Board of Education and contributing to the decision making process in the District are invited to submit an application (available at the District Office or online on the District's website under Board of Education, found **HERE**) along with a resume, to the Board of Education, Tracy Unified School District, 1875 W Lowell Avenue, Tracy, CA 95376. The applications are to be received in the Superintendent's Office no later than 5:00 p.m. on March 15, 2023.

Applicants will be interviewed at a special board meeting on Wednesday, March 22, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m.

Human Resources

Hiring for the 23-24 school year is underway. On February 25 the District hosted a job fair for both classified and certificated positions. TUSD will also be participating in the recruitment event at Teachers College San Joaquin on March 4 from 8:30 until 12:00, located at Teachers College of San Joaquin, 2721 Transworld Drive, Stockton, CA



Tracy High Mock Trial

Mock Trial team triumphed over the St. Mary's Rams for 1st place in San Joaquin County Mock Trial. The Bulldogs will move to the State finals later in March! Thank you to the students, parents, and coaches for this amazing victory. We will keep you posted on how they do at the state level.

Tracy High Academic Decathlon Team

The 2022-23 THS Academic Decathlon Team March 28th: Pre-map presentation competed at the San Joaquin County AcaDec competition and took Second-Place Overall at the 42nd Annual San Joaquin County Academic Decathlon. Way to go Bulldogs!

Informational Links

Keeping you in the Know Superintendent's Office

Board Meeting Info Employment TUSD Info Page

(Calendar, Bell Schedule, Programs, etc.)

Staff Portal Links: 2022-23 Calendars **Bell Schedules** E-forms Phone Directories

COVID 19

The latest updates Superintendent's Office COVID Testing is still available to all at Tracy Charter School, 1904 N. Corral Hollow Rd., Tracy, from 8:00-4:30pm, on Monday through Friday. This will be billed to your insurance or paid out of pocket. For more information on COVID testing and vaccines please visit the SJ Ready HERE

Work for TUSD!

Current Job Openings Human Resources Check out our current openings: **JOB OPENINGS**

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