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Re: Notice of Regular Board Meeting July 21 and Good News to Know

Good afternoon LTUSD friends and families,

A regular Board of Education meeting is scheduled for 6:00 pm on July 21, 2020, with Closed Session at 5:00 pm. [Here is a link to the full agenda.](#) (Click on 7/21/20 in the right column.) The summary agenda is attached. In accordance with the Executive Stay at Home Order N-29-20 the Boardroom will be closed to members of the public and all public participation will be handled remotely. **Please see the *Communications from the Public* section of the agenda for instructions. [Participants and observers may view the meeting via this Zoom link.](#)** We hope you can join us.

Meetings are now being recorded and uploaded to the district's Agenda Online homepage here: <https://laketahoe.agendaonline.net/public/>. Recordings are available for 30 days.

IN THE SCHOOLS AND IN THE COMMUNITY

School Board Elections on November 3, 2020 - 3 seats will be up for election for [Trustee Areas 1, 3 and 4](#). If you are considering running for election and would like to know more about the role of a school board member, you are encouraged to browse the [California School Boards Association website](#) and look for upcoming filing instructions and information on the district's website, to be posted soon.

[SROs on campus in South Lake Tahoe: More than a police officer](#) School Resource Officers, or SROs, have been a recent topic of conversations in the community with some residents questioning the need for an armed officer on South Lake Tahoe campuses.

[Childhood Vaccination Advisory from El Dorado County Public Health](#): Back to school time is fast approaching, yet according to El Dorado County Public Health officials many children are behind in their vaccination schedules due to the COVID-19

pandemic. Health officials are encouraging parents to take steps now so that their children receive their scheduled vaccines. **For individuals who are out of work or without health insurance, El Dorado County Public Health offers infant and children's vaccines for free.**

Blood Drive July 24: There will be a blood drive at the Rec Center Gymnasium on Friday July 24 from 12:00-5:00pm. If you donate blood (through the end of August) you will also get a free COVID antibody test.

South Lake Tahoe Mobile Pantry coming July 22nd, 2020! The Food Bank of El Dorado County holds their SLT Mobile Pantry / Free Farmers Market in St. Theresa's Church parking lot (1041 Lyons Ave. SLT, CA 96150) every 4th Wednesday, May through October 2020 from 10:00 am to 11:00 am. If you or someone you know is in need of fresh produce and a week's supply of staple foods come on down!! We hope to see you there! For more info please email info@foodbankedc.org .

[LTCC Ed Connect Summer Camps - Registration Open! English and Spanish here.](#)

[Tahoe STEM Camps Ages 6-15 - offering virtual, hybrid, and small group on-campus...English and Spanish here.](#)

[Kindergarten/TK Online Enrollment \(and all new students\) for 20/21 school year is OPEN NOW](#) . Please visit the district's [Kindergarten/TK information page on the website](#) for more information about all district elementary schools enrollment. You may also call your elementary school for assistance. Links to all school websites can be found [HERE](#).

[Suicide Prevention Network](#) has a brand new resource page filled with helpful videos on maintaining your mental health. Click [HERE TO VIEW THE LATEST VIDEOS](#) including an interview with Dr. Matthew Wong on resilience and coping skills, and a video on journaling! **ALSO**...Quaran-teens is an optional class that allows students to engage with fellow students to learn and share how you are dealing with this weird time. This class is designed with videos, articles and space to express what you want or need to. All middle and high school students are invited because everyone could use a little help right now. Join the Google Classroom using this classroom code g3y3v5k.

MORE VIDEO RESOURCES FOR PARENTS of teens and children on the following topics:

1) [How to help teens cope](#)

- 2) [Help your teen \(child\) deal with uncertainty](#)
- 3) [Safety, predictability and control for teens\(child\)](#)

[The Tahoe Fire and Fuels Team is promoting Lake Tahoe Wildfire Awareness Month during July.](#) This year's theme is "Fight fire with a plan" to encourage residents and visitors to prepare their family, property and possessions now before a wildfire starts by creating a plan. See their press release and website here.

[Wildfire Mitigation message from Liberty Utilities](#) - Due to the dense vegetation and dry brush that characterize much of our landscape, the Lake Tahoe Basin and surrounding forested areas have been designated either "Tier 2" (Elevated) or "Tier 3" (Extreme) fire risk areas by the state's High Fire Threat District Map. Liberty is taking aggressive steps to mitigate the risk of wildfires in the communities we serve. Outlined below are the key components of our Wildfire Mitigation Plan that we are executing to keep you and your family safe.

[Foster & Kinship Care Education Program](#) offers free training and community clinics on topics such as parenting, mental health, physical health and overall wellness. The Foster Kinship Care Education Program would like to invite you to attend our upcoming zoom trainings. The registration links are in the above attachment: **July 2020 training includes Internet Safety for our Youth, Life space Intervention, Dynamics of Sexual Abuse, and Childhood Eating Disorders.** The flyers are in English and Spanish.

COVID-19 RESOURCES - LTUSD & COMMUNITY PARTNERS ARE HERE FOR YOU... School staff members want you to know that your needs are our top priority! We have student and family advocates who are able to assist you in accessing a multitude of right here in South Lake Tahoe. See [LTUSD Community Resources Page](#) . We also understand that there can be barriers to accessing those resources...or perhaps you are unsure about which organizations and services are right for your circumstances. The school district can assist in connecting you, respectfully and confidentially. We want to help. The District Office phone number is (530) 541-2850 ext. 0.

[Renter's Rights During COVID-19 Pandemic:](#) A message from the Family Resource Center - The ability or inability to pay full rent is coming to a critical mass this summer. We know not all who were previously employed will return to work. Renter's need to make a plan with their landlords to develop a payment plan or landlords to participate in rent forgiveness. [See this link for more information.](#)

FREE CORONAVIRUS TESTING FOR ALL COMMUNITY MEMBERS: Tests are free, regardless of insurance, and are available to residents in both CA and NV. Visit <https://lhi.care/covidtesting> to schedule an appointment. Nevada Residents can call 888-634-1123 to schedule an appointment. Testing can be conducted every two weeks. Surveillance testing will allow public health officials to monitor the spread of COVID-19, while also keeping us on track to move forward in reopening our community.

COVID-19 and Tahoe's Economy: Resource Guide: The Lake Tahoe basin is feeling the effects of the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19). Please [check here](#) for up to date information and resources to help you as local residents, non-profits, employees, and businesses.

EDC Community Hubs, staffed with family engagement, literacy and health specialists, are working during the school closure. To strengthen families and reduce isolation and stress, they are trying to reach as many local families as possible (virtually and through phone calls). EDC Hub5 also maintains a Facebook group where it shares resources, information, parenting advice and activities: www.facebook.com/CommunityHub5/.

UC Cooperative Extension Central Sierra During the COVID-19 pandemic, you can help spread the word about Central Sierra resources to make sure everyone has enough to eat. **If your family, your neighbors, or anyone you know is in need of food, assistance is available!** Links to information about all Central Sierra food banks, WIC agencies, school meal sites, senior meals, how to **sign up for CalFresh/food stamps**, food safety, home cooking, home-based activities for families, and more are available on the following webpage, which will be regularly updated until the end of the crisis: **COVID-19 Community Resources.**

California Parent and Youth Helpline As a result of COVID-19, the CDSS has secured agreements for a range of help for children, families and caregivers across California. Parents Anonymous is expanding their helpline to provide safe, immediate, accessible, and continuing help to parents, caregivers, and youth who are experiencing higher levels of stress due to the coronavirus outbreak. You can reach a live person 7 days a week by calling 1-855-4A PARENT (1-855-427-2736). Virtual Parents Anonymous support groups are also under development, so stay connected to CCR Communications for more information.

With kind regards,

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