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## Re: District Newsletter, Updated COVID-19 Screening Tool, Yes on Prop 15, Parents Wanted...and more!

Good afternoon LTUSD friends and families,

The first week of the elementary hybrid schedule went very smoothly! Kudos to the staff and parents for their positive attitudes and amazing teamwork to make these special “first days” exciting and happy for our students. You couldn’t see the smiles on their mouths, but you could certainly see them in their eyes! Let’s keep up the momentum and with that, we remind families and staff to continue to use the [COVID-19 self-screening tool](#) **daily** and follow the [CDC recommendations for selecting, wearing, and cleaning your masks](#) ([Spanish](#)).

**Yes on Prop 15.** On Tuesday, the Board of Education adopted a [resolution in support of Proposition 15: Schools and Communities First Funding Act in 2020](#), and asked for the community to vote in favor of Prop 15 on November’s ballot. Prop 15, if passed, would bring approximately \$2.4 million to Lake Tahoe Unified School District, at a time when funding couldn’t be more important. Our schools were already facing serious budget constraints before the pandemic, but now, after the pandemic, budget shortfalls are a stark reality.

At Tuesday’s meeting, trustees pointed out there is a lot of misinformation out there about Prop 15. In short, Prop 15 would close property tax loopholes for wealthy corporations and reclaim billions in commercial property taxes to be used to invest in California’s schools and communities. This would affect commercial properties valued at over \$3 million and would *not affect* homeowners, renters, small businesses and agricultural land. In fact, [a study by Blue Sky Consulting](#) found that Prop 15 will actually save California homeowners hundreds of millions of dollars on their property tax bills every year. Learn more about Prop 15 at [yes15.org](http://yes15.org), [ballotpedia.org](http://ballotpedia.org), [California Voter Guide](#), and [CalMatters.org](http://CalMatters.org).

## IN THE SCHOOLS

**PARENTS WANTED - JOIN US VIRTUAL!** **What:** The Community Advisory Committee for Special Education (CAC) is a mandated organization whose purpose is to advise the district on the unique requirements of individuals with exceptional needs. **Who:** Membership of the CAC includes interested parents of regular and special

education students, representatives of public and private agencies, both regular and special education teachers, and others interested in the delivery of services to special education students. Seven meetings throughout the school year.

**CAFECITOS Elementary Meetings will be held every Thursday at 5:30pm** for all elementary schools, combined. Parents will learn how to navigate the online school system and track their child's progress through Canvas.

**New green programs at local schools** (Mt. News) South Tahoe High School students worked for over a year to develop a climate resolution which the Lake Tahoe Unified School District Board of Education adopted last month. The resolution calls for the board to ensure that all high school students graduate literate in climate change. The resolution also states that the school district should prepare students for growing job and career opportunities in green technologies, construction and restoration efforts, as society moves away from fossil fuels. Board member Bonnie Turnbull said, "Let's create a school culture that integrates climate impacts into every decision." [Read more...](#)

**DAR Good Citizens Are Chosen** The Lake Tahoe Chapter of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) has announced their 2020 recipients of the DAR Good Citizen Award. The recipient from Mt. Tallac High School is Sierrah Meek and the recipient from South Tahoe High School is Kaitlyn Ponce. Each winner receives a certificate, pin and honorarium. This award honors an outstanding senior who demonstrates the qualities of a good citizen, i.e. dependability, service, leadership and patriotism. Congratulations to these accomplished young women!

**Low Cost Seasonal Flu Vaccine Clinics in South Lake Tahoe in September and October** - Now, more than ever, it's important to get a flu shot: \$10 fee per vaccine; no one will be denied service due to inability to pay - Cash or check accepted; no appointment needed; Six months of age and up. Please wear face covering and physical distancing is required.

**UPDATED MEAL DELIVERY SCHEDULE Effective Monday, Oct. 12** - **Be sure to check this link for changes to meal delivery. Breakfast and lunch is now offered to all children ages 0-18 at no charge through December 2020.** Routes will be updated as needed. Buses will distribute meals at each bus stop listed and will depart bus stops at the designated time. If students or parents miss the delivery, they may go to Bijou, Sierra House, Tahoe Valley or the Middle School between the hours of 12pm & 2PM to pick up meals. [See schedule here and on the district website.](#)

**Bread & Broth 4 Kids: PLEASE NOTE CHANGE in DELIVERY SCHEDULE:** Weekly

food bags will now be delivered with the school bus routes on Wednesdays. On Friday bags will be available at South Tahoe Middle School. Weekend food bags can also be picked up M-Th from Choices for Children's office located at 1029 Takela Drive, Ste. #1  
**See attached flyer.**

## IN THE COMMUNITY

**Halloween Happenings - Scenes Around South Lake Tahoe in lieu of Trick-or-Treating** Since traditions, like house-to-house trick-or-treating, is not possible this year, the good volunteers of the Lake Tahoe Historical Society have started a new tradition. On their website, [www.laketahomuseum.org](http://www.laketahomuseum.org) (under Events), you can find a map sprinkled with pumpkins pin-pointing the street locations in South Lake Tahoe where Halloween decorations by our cre-ative community homeowners can be found. **See the attached flyer for more information.**

**Join Cub Scouts! Adventure Awaits!** South Lake Tahoe Pack 592 would like to invite you to join us on Wednesday, Oct. 21 at 5:00 - 6:00pm or Thursday Oct. 22 at 5:00 - 6:00 pm for a virtual event to learn more about Scouting and to join in on the fun! **See attached flyer for more information.**

**The Bridge Language Academy** is a Spanish immersion enrichment program for pre-kindergarten through second grade children. All activities in this workshop will be conducted in Spanish with the facilitator employing a wide variety of instructional strategies to support participants in their understanding and learning. **See attached flyer for more information.**

**Recreation and Aquatics Center seeking community input** The City of South Lake Tahoe is in the design process for construction of a new Recreation and Aquatics Center and is seeking public input and participation. Please click on the link provided to take a survey and learn how you can participate in upcoming public meetings. Feel free to forward the link to your organization database, friends, and family. Thank you for helping to shape the future of recreation in South Lake Tahoe.

Public Participation Link <https://southlaketahoerecenter.konveio.com/participate>

## **LAKE TAHOE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT IS HIRING! TELL A FRIEND!**

All current classified opportunities are listed below. I have attached the job descriptions for your review. Please apply for positions of interest at [www.edjoin.com](http://www.edjoin.com).

- **Custodian-Swing/Graveyard-** STHS- *>Open until filled*

- **Cafeteria Supervisor-** Bijou Community School> *Position Closes October 7, 2020 at 5:00 pm*
- **WorkAbility Job Developer**>*Open until filled.*
- **Library Assistant-** Tahoe Valley Elementary>*Position Closes October 14, 2020*

Please refer a friend to apply for any of the following temporary and/or substitute classified opportunities:

- **Substitute Bus Drivers -Now offering paid training and fingerprints**
- **Temporary Surveillance Assistant/Office Assistant- Tahoe Valley Elementary School** >*Position closes October 14, 2020 at 5:00 pm*
- **Substitute Custodians-various sites and various hours**
- **Substitute Instructional Assistant-SPED-various sites**
- **Temporary Grounds Maintenance Worker- various sites**

### **CHROMEBOOKS / TECH SUPPORT:**

If you have an issue with connectivity at your home, contact your service provider. If you are experiencing low bandwidth, it may be time to replace your router.

**Prior to bringing your Chromebook in for repairs, try this quick fix method first:** <https://sites.google.com/ltusd.org/devicehelp/home>

- If you have issues with hardware, i.e., Chromebooks, Mifis, etc., bring your device to the Middle School roundabout on Tuesdays from 10:00am - 12:00pm or Thursdays from 12:00 - 2:00pm. PLEASE STAY IN YOUR CAR and an attendant will come to you. You can also leave a message for Jennifer Sunzeri at 530-541-2850 ext. 1056 or send an email to [jsunzeri@ltusd.org](mailto:jsunzeri@ltusd.org).
- If you experience software issues, i.e., password or login problems, contact your student's teacher and if they cannot resolve it, they will forward your request.
- For assistance in Spanish please leave a message at the District Office - (530) 541-2850 ext. 0 and your call will be returned within one day.

### **Links to your school sites and local education news:**

[LTUSD Website](#)

[South Tahoe High School](#)

[South Tahoe Middle School](#)

[Bijou Community School](#)

[Tahoe Valley Elementary](#)

[Sierra House Elementary](#)

[Lake Tahoe Environmental Science Magnet](#)

[Elevated Digital Learning Academy](#)

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Have a lovely weekend,

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