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Re: LTUSD Newsletter and Board Meeting on March 23

Good afternoon LTUSD community,

What a wonderful two weeks welcoming back the high school students and opening the door to more normalcy. As we mark the one-year anniversary of the school closures and nationwide lockdown, an opportunity to reflect on this past year brings a full spectrum of emotions. Reopening the school campuses is right there in the “all-time happy” range as evidenced by over 3000 smiling faces! Let’s keep up the good work LTUSD!

Please enjoy the [ALEX RAMON MAGIC SHOW RECORDING](#) and Zoom Mishap Message from TAP: Thank you to everyone who joined us for the Alex Ramon Magic Show. It was brought to our attention that some of you were unable to get into the zoom to view the show. We apologize as the cap was supposed to be at 1000. We have provided the show link below for families to enjoy. Thank you for supporting Tahoe Arts Project! <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mqJAF2DD4nA>

A Regular Board of Education meeting is scheduled for 6:00 pm Tuesday, March 23, 2021 (with Closed Session at 4:00pm) Here is a link to the full agenda. (Click on 3/23/21 in the right column.) The summary agenda is attached. The meeting will be conducted by Board members in the Boardroom and virtually by all other participants. **Please see the *Communications from the Public* section of the agenda for public comment instructions. Participants and observers may view the meeting [via this Zoom link](#).** We hope you can join us.

IN THE SCHOOLS

Kindergarten and TK Registration 21/22 School Year - Attention Families:

Enrollment for the 21/22 School Year is being held April 26 - May 14, 2021. Please see below for Kindergarten/TK enrollment information or contact your school site at the phone numbers listed below. [Click here for more information about our schools and registration.](#)

New leadership team at Lake Tahoe Unified School District (South Tahoe Now)

There will be three new principals at Lake Tahoe Unified School District (LTUSD) this fall as well as leaders in four newly created positions at the district office and the digital learning academy. Those new positions are Director of Elementary Education, Director

of Secondary Education, Associate Superintendent/Chief Business and Operations Officer, Associate Superintendent/Chief Education Officer & Program Director, Principal of Elevated Digital Learning Academy. [Read more...](#)

[South Tahoe Football stars sign with colleges](#) (Tahoe Daily Tribune) South Tahoe seniors, and friends, Jake Tarwater and Mason Hage were all smiles on Wednesday as they committed to colleges in front of family members and coaches during a ceremony at the high school. Normally South Tahoe's signing celebrations have dozens of students and teachers along with family members, but due the coronavirus restricting normalcy, it had to be a cozy get-together. Tarwater is headed to Truman State, a division II university in Missouri, and Hage has committed to DIII powerhouse University of Mount Union in Ohio. [Read more...](#)

[TRANSPORTATION SCHEDULES and MEAL SCHEDULE UPDATE](#) for all schools are posted on the District Website under **Parents - Transportation** and at [this link](#). **With all schools in Hybrid Schedules there will no longer be food distribution via bus routes. ALL MEALS WILL BE PROVIDED AT THE END OF THE SCHOOL DAY UPON DISMISSAL. MEAL SERVICE for ELEVATED AND ILA students**, please email elevated@ltusd.org to sign up.

BREAD & BROTH 4 KIDS weekly food bags will no longer be distributed on Wednesdays. Cohort A students can pick up bags on the bus on Mondays, and Cohort B pick up on Thursdays. Bags will also be available as normal at Boys and Girls Club and Catalyst Community, Grace Hall on Lyons Avenue from 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 25, as well as during adult and family Bread & Broth food bag giveaways on Mondays and Fridays.

[Assistance League Sierra Foothills](#) is an all-volunteer non-profit organization transforming lives and strengthening El Dorado County communities. Our only two annual fundraisers were cancelled last year due to COVID, putting us in a dire situation. We have [two Operation School Bell shopping events](#) in South Lake Tahoe inviting over 200 students. We are reaching out to the South Lake Tahoe community to raise funds. The Sponsor a Child program will benefit one low income student - a \$100 donation to this program will purchase a new jacket, a new pair of shoes and two outfits for school. A \$25 donation will buy a student a new jacket, a new pair of shoes or clothes for school. [Donations can be made on our website](#). Thank you.

[Teacher Appreciation Tuesday in South Lake Tahoe](#) (South Tahoe Now) One year ago, the Lake Tahoe Unified School District sent out a text that none of us were quite expecting: schools are closing and we're moving to distance learning due to the COVID-19 pandemic. From that moment on, the lives of every teacher, staff member, parent, and student were drastically altered. Families had to change every part of their daily routine and everyone had to immediately adjust to a whole new world. [Read more...](#)

Challenges of getting food to South Lake Tahoe students during the pandemic

(South Tahoe Now) Before schools were shut down in March, 2020 due to the pandemic, the 3,680 students registered in the Lake Tahoe Unified School District (LTUSD) were able to have daily hot lunch and breakfast at school or delivered by school bus, should they desire. Then COVID-19 hit, schools closed and people stayed home. There was worry that the 30 million school children in the United States getting free or reduced meals at school would go hungry. That wasn't going to happen in South Lake Tahoe. [Read more...](#)

Harvest of the Month: The UC Cooperative Extension CalFresh nutrition education program partners with Barton Health and LTUSD to implement Harvest of the Month, a statewide initiative that motivates students to make healthier food choices and brings fresh, in-season produce to all South Lake Tahoe elementary schools. February's Harvest of the Month is Asparagus! Here is a [link to this month's newsletter](#) and the corresponding [Asparagus Video](#) - share and enjoy!

South Tahoe High School Vikings seeking JV and Assistant SOFTBALL

COACHES The JV and Varsity girls' softball season is starting soon - Seeking JV and Assistant coaches. Please apply on edjoin.org or email lfranklin@ltusd.org. Positions pay approximately \$1600 for the season.

IN THE COMMUNITY

Vaccine Clinic Sunday/Monday March 21-22 The City of South Lake Tahoe is partnering with El Dorado County in holding a vaccine clinic Sunday and Monday, March 21-22 from 10:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. The clinic will take place at the South Tahoe Recreation Center at 1180 Rufus Allen Boulevard for those with appointments only. [Read more...](#)

Relief available for renters, landlords in California (Tahoe Daily Tribune) Californians who have experienced financial hardship because of the pandemic and who are most at-risk of eviction can now apply to the state's COVID-19 rent relief program to help pay past-due rent. Renters and landlords can check their eligibility for assistance and apply by visiting HousingIsKey.com or by calling 833-430-2122 toll-free, seven days a week. [Read more...](#)

Updated Food Assistance Resources List in English & Spanish - This list contains local resources, addresses, and schedules for free food pick ups and delivery sites. Please share with anyone you know that is in need.

April 3rd at 1:00 PM - Community Easter Egg Hunt hosted by Lake Tahoe Christian Fellowship at 3580 Blackwood Rd. Hunt begins at 1:30 for ages 0-12. **More information is on the attached flyer.**

Fred Alexander Memorial Junior Golf Clinic: Restructured 2021 FREE Fred Alexander Mem JUNIOR Golf Clinic. We are excited to be back hosting our new layout

for KIDS only in 2021. 50 kids max/ Three sites/2 timeframes. Eagle Valley-Carson City-4/25 Washoe GC-Reno-5/2- Sierra Sage GC-North Reno-5/16. **Registration in English and Spanish will start mid-March on our website:**

www.alexandergolfclinic.com . Pick your golf facility, session time according to geographical location or personal wishes. **Please see the attached flyers.**

CASA Kids 25th Annual Box Lunch Fundraiser - Drive Thru Pickup on Thursday, April 15, 2021 from 11:00 - 1:00pm. Child Advocates of El Dorado County advocates for and empowers the abused, neglected, and at-risk youth in our community by providing court appointed volunteers who speak up for the needs of children and make a positive impact in their lives. [Click here to place your order! Deadline March 25th](#)

St. Theresa Catholic Church Religious Education Dept. is hosting a paper shredding fundraiser to benefit the youth of our parish. Prevent Identity Theft! Bring all documents and old papers to be shredded on Saturday, May 22 10am-2pm to St. Theresa Church parking lot, 1041 Lyons Ave., South Lake Tahoe. Suggested donation is \$5 - \$10 a box. **See attached flyer.**

South Tahoe National Little League Sign-ups - Deadlines Approaching! T-ball, Single-A and AA players have until April 1 to register. Please remember that if you are concerned about finances, don't worry! Go ahead and register now and then [email](mailto:) our player agent and we will get your player ready to play! Please register at <https://www.southtahoell.com/>. **See attached flyers.**

High Sierra Softball Registration happening NOW! Girls ages 5-16 are encouraged to sign up! First time players of all ages are welcome! This year's season will be May 1 - June 15. The league is seeking coaches and board member volunteers! Those with credit left from last year should still complete the registration process online. For more information visit HighSierraSoftball.com.

FREE Residential Home Energy Audits Free home energy audits are available to residential customers, both renters and homeowners. Liberty will conduct an audit of your home to evaluate its overall energy efficiency and identify ways to save energy and reduce your monthly bill. The auditor will provide a checklist of items reviewed and recommendations for improvements. Your audit includes free LEDs for your home, and you may choose from 15 different types. Liberty also offers shower heads and faucet aerators to help you save energy on water heating and to conserve water. To schedule your free audit today, please visit the "Contact Us" page on libertyutilities.com to submit an inquiry and select "Free Energy Audit" from the topic drop-down menu on the web form. You may also call our local customer service representatives at 1-800-782-2506 to schedule your audit.

LTCC CONNECT Community Education upcoming courses:

Babysitting 411: Ages 10-15; Everything you need to know to start a successful babysitting business including CPR and basic first aide! SAT, June 12 from 9am-2pm www.ltccConnect.com

NIXLE - Parent Texting Network from Drug Free Coalition As a parent, you are naturally concerned about your children's safety. As they grow older, one of those concerns centers on their potential exposure to drugs/substances of abuse and possible addiction. DFC provides a free parent texting network whereby you can choose to receive periodic texts (1-2 per month) identifying substance use trends seen locally in our schools and community, information about the drugs themselves, links to studies, and resources in our local area for assistance and treatment. **To join this texting network, simply text STDFC to 888777.**

LTUSD's COVID-19 Resource pages - Includes links to information and resources for families and students; links to flyers regarding coronavirus and [what to do if your child has symptoms](#); and links to [LTUSD Community Resources Page](#) .

EDC Community Hubs, staffed with family engagement, literacy and health specialists, work to strengthen families and reduce isolation and stress. They can help with resource referrals and various social services applications as well. 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 **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.**

Links to your school sites and [more 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](#)

[LOCAL EDUCATION NEWS](#)

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DISTRICT NEWSLETTERS

COVID-19 FLYERS, SELF-SCREENING FORMS, HANDOUTS

Onward!

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