

April 2, 2021

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Re: Extended School Days, Vision Workshop, Spring Play, and Newsletter

Good afternoon LTUSD community,

It is with great excitement that I inform families and students that we will be extending our daily contact time with students on Monday April 26th. I have great appreciation and am thankful for the collaborative efforts of our employee groups, leadership and all staff to make this happen.

Effective April 26th:

- **All schools will open to full school days on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, on their school's full day bell schedule.**
 - **STMS and STHS will remain in hybrid (Phase 3).**
- Wednesdays each school will continue to serve the most at risk students for 180 minutes of student contact time. Specifically, schools will identify students that are in need of additional academic support (6-14 per class) and all other students provided asynchronous work activities.
 - Transportation will be provided.
- All school sites will send announcements detailing the new schedules and any other pertinent information on or before April 23.

I am hopeful we will be successful with the expansion to full school days. Next steps will be to look at a move to Phase 4 of the Pandemic Plan, which would move the middle and high school to all students on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday. We thank the school community, our employee associations, and our partners at Barton Health, EDCOE and EDCPH, for their continued efforts and support of our students and families.

With gratitude,

Todd Cutler, Ed.D., Superintendent

IN THE SCHOOLS

Please join us Tuesday, April 6 at 6:00 PM for a Vision Workshop to discuss the future of LTUSD, either in person, or by Zoom at this link.



LTUSD
Community
Vision Workshop
JOIN US!

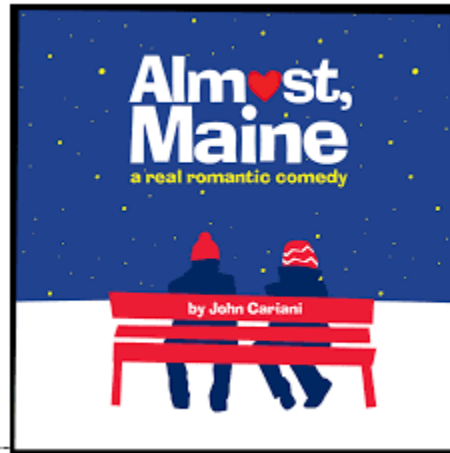
The logo for Lake Tahoe Unified School District is circular with a green border. Inside the circle, there is a landscape with a blue lake, green trees, and a yellow sun. The text "LAKE TAHOE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT" is written around the inner edge of the circle, and "PURSUE EXCELLENCE" is written on a banner at the bottom.

Tuesday, April 6, 2021 from 6:00 - 7:30 PM
Help plan the future of LTUSD!

In-person at the South Tahoe High School Student Union
(Social Distancing, Max-occupancy, COVID Waiver, and Masks Required)

Or join Zoom Meeting:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83888791866?pwd=NXpucVkvVUhpTFVkbGVia25vZ3UrQT09>
Meeting ID: 838 8879 1866 ; Passcode: 544351 ; Dial by your location: 1 669 900 6833

FUNDRAISER FOR THE CLASS OF 2021: The Grad Night Task Force is planning the 28th annual Grad Night celebration for Friday, June 11, 2021. What better way to celebrate with friends than a chartered cruise on the MS Dixie on our beautiful lake! After all, the 2021 seniors have missed their classmates, activities and most of their final school year. Our goal is to keep the ticket price affordable for graduates to encourage attendance and to provide a ticket for any student in need. For more information please visit the event's Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/South-Tahoe-Grad-Night-969060249838531>.



STHS Drama Department presents Almost, Maine by John Cariani. See link below for show description and to purchase tickets!

Scheduled Streaming Performances: April 2, 3 & April 9 & 10 all @ 7:00 PM

Ticket Prices: Student ticket (18 & under) \$5; Adult ticket (19 & up) \$10

Please consider supporting the Arts and Theatre at STHS when you purchase your tickets. We are funded by ticket sales and donations through PABA. Thank you!

To purchase tickets go to: <https://www.showtix4u.com/event-details/50113> or simply go to Showtix4u.com and search South Tahoe High School.

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 session 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.

CHANGE to the BREAD & BROTH 4 KIDS program. In order to meet the changing school schedules, the weekly food bags **will be distributed at the K-8 schools on Fridays starting April 9, 2021.** The students can pick them up at school before leaving

for the weekend. The buses will no longer have the bags after April 2. In order to help with this change, and to assist with food during **Spring Break, Grace Hall at the corner of Lyons Avenue and Lake Tahoe Boulevard will be open to hand out bags to families: April 8 from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. and April 14 from 10 am to 2 pm.**

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.](#)

Lift Literature: We are reaching out to say thank you to everyone who participated in Teacher Appreciation Tuesday in partnership with South Tahoe Now. You took the extra moment to reach out and say thank you and YOU made someone's day so much better. South Tahoe Now has decided to continue spreading the kindness for the rest of the school year! If you have any more shout-outs for a LTUSD teacher or staff you can submit it [here](#). If you'd like to give towards a teacher appreciation gift, you can now donate [here](#).

The First Place CTE Photography Teachers award for the below photograph went to our very own Photography Teacher, Candi Lincoln! This year's theme was "Humanity".



THANK YOU STARBUCKS AT HEAVENLY VILLAGE for donating coffee and pastries to all the High School teachers on their first day back. The generosity and coordination of manager Tina Rodriguez, provided a chance for teachers who had not seen each other in 51 weeks a chance to say hello and grab a treat. Thank you so much Starbucks for bringing our teaching community some joy

Low Cost Broadband for Families The FCC has expanded options for low cost high speed broadband Internet access: [Emergency Broadband Benefits](#).

IN THE COMMUNITY

High Sierra Softball Registration happening NOW! Girls ages 5-16 are encouraged to sign up! **Bring a friend and let's build this league up!** Due to COVID there is no travel play allowed, so we must build our divisions locally - please help spread the word and bring your friends to the field! **First time players up to age 16 are always welcome!** **Late Registration 4/12-4/16.** This year's season will be May 1 - June 20. The league is seeking coaches and board member volunteers! Scholarships are available. Those with credit left from last year should still complete the registration process online. For more information visit HighSierraSoftball.com. **See attached flyers in English/Spanish.**

Tahoe Fund Partners With Adventure Risk Challenge to Connect Kids to the Outdoors (Tahoe Fund) The program's unique outdoor learning courses foster leadership, literacy, environmental stewardship and connection with nature among high school students. Iran Pacheco, an eleventh grade student at North Tahoe High School, will tell you that the Adventure Risk Challenge (ARC) program she participated in last summer changed her life. The program also helped her build new friendships, gain confidence and get more involved. Visit www.adventureriskchallenge.org/apply . En Espanol Visite <https://adventureriskchallenge.org/es/programacion/> .

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.**

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.

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.**

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

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.**

Firewise Landscaping Workshop for Homeowners - Learn about recommended plants to reduce wildfire threat. – Residents are invited to join a free virtual workshop hosted by the Living With Fire and Tahoe Living With Fire programs, with support from University of Nevada Reno, Extension, the workshop will feature presenter, Wendy Hanson Mazet, a certified arborist and Extension plant diagnostician. She will provide tips on which plants are recommended around the home to reduce the threat of wildfire. Date: April 7th | 6:00 -7:30 PST; Pre-Register: <http://bit.ly/FirewiseLandscaping> **For more information, see full press release attached below.**

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 for the Sponsor a Child program to provide clothing and shoes for children in need. [Donations can be made on our website.](#) Thank you.

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. Your audit includes free LEDs for your home. 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.

[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](#) .

[Foster & Kinship Care Free Parenting Education](#) classes at LTCC Spring Schedule. Training titles: 7 Habits of the Highly Effective Family During COVID-19; The Real Impact & Effects of the Media on the Family; Situational Crisis: How to Intervene to De-escalate; Perceptions: Through the Eyes of a Child; Life Space Interventions; Working with Teen Survivors of Abuse; Types and Impacts of Bullying; School Climate: Transitioning our Children; Nurtured Heart Series; Supporting our LGBTQ Youth; and many more! [Link to more information...](#)

[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](#)

[DISTRICT CALENDARS](#)

[DISTRICT NEWSLETTERS](#)

[COVID-19 FLYERS, SELF-SCREENING FORMS, HANDOUTS](#)

Happy Easter!

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