

May 21, 2021

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Re: Board of Education Meeting May 25 and District Newsletter

Hello LTUSD friends and families,

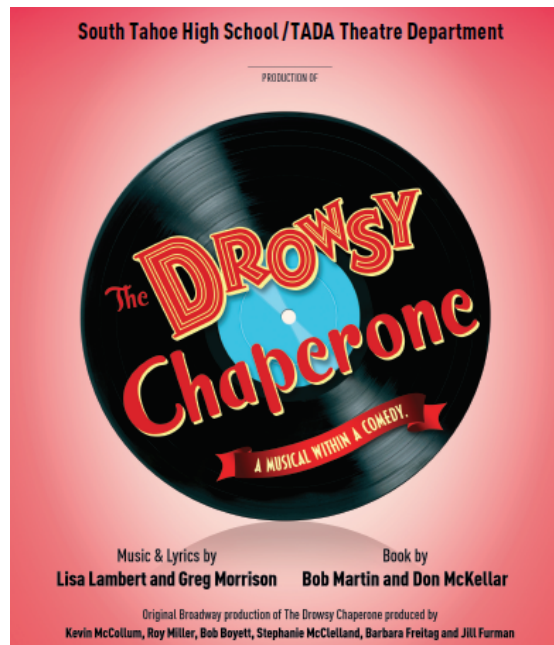
Happy snowy Friday! We all know this happens every year, but it sure is hard to accept. Ah well, on the bright side, we needed the precipitation. It was a successful, heartwarming week with our secondary students back full-time - the term "feeling normal" is being thrown around and it does feel good!

Visit with the Superintendent: Beginning Monday, June 7, and on the first Monday of each month thereafter, our esteemed Superintendent, Dr. Todd Cutler, will conduct a "Visit with the Superintendent" from 5:30 - 6:30 PM in the Boardroom at the District Office, 1021 Al Tahoe Blvd. This is an opportunity for students, families, and community members to get to know Todd Cutler in an informal setting, receive updates on District happenings, engage in conversation, and ask questions. We hope you will calendar this regular event and join us whenever possible.

A Regular Board of Education meeting is scheduled for 6:00 pm Tuesday, May 25, 2021 (with Closed Session at 5:00pm) [Here is a link to the full agenda.](#) (Click on 5/11/21 in the right column.) The summary agenda is attached. The Boardroom is now able to accommodate up to 20 observers. Should we reach maximum capacity, attendees will be asked to participate either [via this YouTube link](#) or, if you are making any public comments, [via this Zoom link](#). **Please see the *Communications from the Public* section of the agenda for public comment instructions.** We hope you can join us.

TONIGHT, TOMORROW, AND SUNDAY! The Drowsy Chaperone is an homage to American musicals of the Jazz Age. The story concerns a middle-aged, asocial musical theatre fan. As he plays the record of his favorite musical, the fictional 1928 hit *The Drowsy Chaperone*, the show comes to life onstage, as he wryly comments on the music, story, and actors. The characters appear in his dingy apartment, and it is transformed into an impressive Broadway set with seashell footlights, sparkling

furniture, painted backdrops, and glitzy costumes. Along with the narrator, the audience will be transported to this play-within-a-play, crammed full of every cliché, gag and gimmick from the golden age of musicals. Live streamed entirely on the STHS/TADA Theater stage, covid compliant, this performance is sure to make you smile!



Performance Dates:

Friday, May 21 - 7:00 PM
Saturday, May 22 - 7:00 PM
Sunday, May 23 - 2:00 PM

Tickets for the live stream performances may be purchased at www.showtix4u.com Search for South Tahoe High School. Thank you for your continued support of PABA and the students at STHS! www.sthsPABA.org

VIRTUAL CALM ROOM: May is Mental Health Awareness Month and Lake Tahoe Unified School District wants to encourage students, families, and staff to engage in practices that promote emotional well-being, self care, and help-seeking behaviors. Mental Health specialist, Linda Bingham, along with the support of Special Services Coordinator, Megan Steeves, created a **Virtual Calming Room**. This is a place for students, families and staff to find tools and strategies for managing feelings and building resilience. There are also links for national, community, and school-based support and resources. Enjoy!

TRANSPORTATION SCHEDULES for all schools are posted on the District Website

under **Parents - Transportation** and at [this link](#).

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.

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. May's Harvest of the Month is Apricots! Here is a [link to this month's newsletter](#) and the corresponding [Apricots Video](#) - share and enjoy!

South Tahoe High School students to build tiny houses for community (Tahoe Daily Tribune) A new school project will not only help students get real world work experience, it will also make a small dent in South Lake Tahoe's housing problem. Starting next year, students at South Tahoe High School who are in the construction path of career technical education will begin building tiny houses. [Read more...](#)

Soroptimist of Tahoe Sierra and South Lake Tahoe Police recognize STMS students (South Tahoe Now) During the inaugural Digital Drama Awareness Week at South Tahoe Middle School, besides the daily messages for students and parents from the South Lake Tahoe Police Department (SLTPD), there was a poster contest for those in 6th-8th grades. [Read more...](#)

Tahoe students address plastic problem; inspire change in Raley's – Tahoe Tribune - To support efforts to reduce plastic waste, students from environmental clubs at four high schools in the region partnered with staff from local nonprofits to learn about plastic reduction programs and how they can help take care of Lake Tahoe... When the initiative began, students from North Tahoe, Truckee, Incline and South Tahoe high schools learned about the prolific microplastics problem impacting Lake Tahoe...

Kudos: South Tahoe Middle School PTA thanks those contributing to Teacher Appreciation Week – South Tahoe Now - On behalf of the South Tahoe Middle Schools PTA, I would first like to send a huge "THANK YOU" to all the staff at South Tahoe Middle School for their amazing dedication to our kids and our school. Also deserving of a big thank you are the local businesses who donated to this year's Staff Appreciation Week celebration.

IN THE COMMUNITY

[Boys and Girls Club of Lake Tahoe receives \\$200,000 from City's cannabis](#)

[revenue](#) – South Tahoe Now - During its Tuesday evening meeting, the South Lake Tahoe City Council voted to give the Boys and Girls Club of Lake Tahoe \$200,000 for its building fund.

[Boys and Girls Club receives donation for new building from Kiwanis Club of](#)

[Tahoe Sierra](#) – South Tahoe Now - he Kiwanis Club of Tahoe Sierra has donated \$1000 from their Meat Raffle fundraiser to the Boys and Girls Club of Lake Tahoe's (BGCLT) "Building Bright Futures" project.

LTCC Annual Student Art Exhibit Available Virtually Due to COVID-19, Lake Tahoe Community College will virtually host this year's Annual Student Art Exhibition and opening ceremony. This year's ceremony is Sunday, May 23 from 4pm-6pm via Zoom. To join, first visit www.ltccartgallery.com and RSVP to receive a Zoom link to your email address. All of the artwork will be available at www.ltccartgallery.com for virtual viewing through June 20.

Emergency Broadband Benefit: This morning, the FCC [announced](#) that on May 12, 2021, eligible households will be able to apply for the [Emergency Broadband Benefit](#). Beginning on May 12 households can apply in three ways:

1. Contact your preferred [participating broadband provider](#) directly to learn about their application process.
2. Go to GetEmergencyBroadband.org to apply online and to find participating providers near you.
3. Call 833-511-0311 for a mail-in application, and return it along with proof of eligibility to: Emergency Broadband Support Center, P.O. Box 7081, London, KY 40742.

[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.

[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.**

[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: Nurtured Heart Series; Typical behaviors of trauma; Dynamics of sexual abuse; Sexting, cyberbullying and adolescent relationships; Suicide talk; Internet Safety for our youth; Safety First, I Can crisis; Surviving, Thriving teens, 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](#)

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

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