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Re: Board of Education Meeting December 16 and District Newsletter

Hello LTUSD friends and families,

We're very happy the weather allowed for another day of learning in this shortened school year, although we might not get so lucky tomorrow! The district will call homes and post on the website by 6:00 AM tomorrow, whether schools are *open or closed*. For future reference, the district does intend to message families that school is open on days when school closure might seem uncertain, or when neighboring school districts are closed, so please listen to the message in its entirety.

Happy Holidays! This will be the last District newsletter before the holiday break and so LTUSD wishes everyone a warm and very special holiday season, as well as a very happy and grateful conclusion to this most extraordinary year! Cheers to a fresh start in 2022!

A message from the Lake Tahoe Educational Foundation:

LTEdF is excited to announce that they have just awarded over \$25,000 in Enrichment Grants to teachers and programs throughout LTUSD. LTEdF is an all-volunteer board that continues to serve our school district after 30 years of giving. Educators are encouraged to apply for the next round of grant funding in January. See our website at <u>Itedf.org</u> for more information. Please consider a donation as schools have not been able to hold their regular fundraisers. **Read a letter from the LTEdF president attached here**...

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING:

The next Regular Board of Education meeting is Thursday, December 16 at 6:00pm (with Closed Session at 5:00pm) <u>Here is a link to the full agenda.</u> (Click on 12/16/21 in the right column.) The summary agenda is attached. The meeting can also be observed <u>via this YouTube link</u>. Public comments may be presented in person or in writing sent to info@ltusd.org before 12:00pm on the meeting date. Written comments will be read into the record - please type "Public Comment" into the subject line of the email.

IN THE SCHOOLS

Visit with the Superintendent is on Monday, January 3 at 5:30 - 6:30pm in the from 5:30 - 6:30pm in the Boardroom at the District Office, 1021 Al Tahoe

Blvd. (always the first Monday of each month). This is an opportunity for students, families, and community members to get to know Dr. 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. The meeting is also streamed on the <u>District's YouTube channel "Lake Tahoe Unified School</u> <u>District."</u>

Kudos: Bijou Community Elementary School thanks Lake Valley Fire and Ernie's Coffee Shop Bijou Community Elementary School would like to thank Lake Valley Fire Protection District not only for their courageous efforts in saving our beautiful town but for also being so generous in donating \$5000 to our school. <u>Read more...</u>

LTUSD is HIRING! Please see this Link to employment opportunities...

<u>ScholarShare 529</u> This month ScholarShare is holding its annual Holiday Offer that can help parents start saving for higher education. Here is <u>their online toolkit</u> with more materials like social media images and short videos. **Please see the attached flyers in English and Spanish.**

Boys & Girls Club: Give the gift of the Building to our community this holiday season The Boys and Girls Club of Lake Tahoe is asking the community for their help to finish their building and ensure that there will be a Club for our children to enjoy for generations to come. **Read more in the attached letter...**

COVID TESTING for staff and students (only) is being provided by CDPH at Al Tahoe school in the Elevated Portable - P1 every Thursday and Friday from 8:30am - 4:00pm for staff or students who have been exposed to a positive Covid case or are symptomatic. Individuals are required to register only once for all testing for the duration that it is available during this school year. Note that a consent form will be required for minors and is part of the registration. Here are the registration links for Lake Tahoe Unified - Al Tahoe: <u>Staff URL</u> <u>Student URL</u>

IN THE COMMUNITY

Covid Testing: Here is a list of available testing sites, both public and private, in our community: <u>https://www.bartonhealth.org/tahoe/testing-sites.aspx</u> And El Dorado County's testing site: <u>https://www.edcgov.us/Government/hhsa/Pages/EDCCOVID-19-Get-A-Test.aspx</u>

Bread and Broth: Bags of groceries (staples, dairy products, fruits, vegetables, breads and desserts) are distributed to individuals and families from **4:00-5:30 p.m. on Mondays and 3:00 - 5:00pm on Fridays** at St. Theresa Catholic Church, Grace Hall at 1041 Lyons Avenue, South Lake Tahoe, CA.

GET VACCINATED - COVID-19 Vaccines are available for everyone 5 years of age and older. Vaccines are free regardless of your health insurance status. All currently

authorized and recommended COVID-19 vaccines are safe, effective, and proven to reduce your risk of severe illness. Ages 5-11 should contact their pediatrician's office and 12 and over can go to <u>www.myturn.ca.gov</u> to schedule an appointment.

<u>Updated Food Assistance Resources List in English & Spanish</u> - 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.

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 Holidays and Happy New Year!

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