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## Re: Board of Education Meeting February 10 and District Newsletter

Hello LTUSD friends and families,

Today felt like a fresh start. South Tahoe High School kicked off their second term, marking the middle of the school year, and although it's been a bit of a wild ride thus far, the second half is looking up with our highest district-wide attendance in a very long time - 94%! Let's keep up the momentum of good health and great learning!

Visit with the Superintendent, Dr. Todd Cutler, tonight to learn about all things happening at LTUSD. Please join us in the Boardroom at the District Office, 1021 Al Tahoe Blvd. at 5:30pm.

### **BOARD OF EDUCATION:**

The next Regular Board of Education meeting is Thursday, February 10 at 6:00pm (with Closed Session at 5:00pm) [Here is a link to the full agenda.](#) (Click on 2/10/22 in the right column.) The summary agenda is attached. The meeting can also be observed [via this YouTube link](#). Public comments may be presented in person or in writing sent to [info@ltusd.org](mailto: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**

[Our own Jackie Tan, Makerlab teacher at STMS, recognized in Apps for Kids: How to Teach Future Makers with SOLIDWORKS Apps for Kids](#) In this month's newsletter, we featured [Jackie Tan](#), an inspiring Maker Lab teacher at South Tahoe Middle School in South Lake Tahoe, CA. Our colleague Sara Zuckerman met with Jackie in 2019, and here's an extract of the interview. [Read more...](#)

**National Scholastics Art Contest STHS Winners!** Congratulations to 6 students who have won 10 national awards of excellence. National Scholastic is a prestigious Writing and Art contest that awards scholarships to the winners. This year's winners are Kevin Vasquez, Sandy Gonzalez Reyes, Sam Evans, Pasang Sherpa, Rose Friedrich, and Lillian Demus. Their artwork will be on display at the Pacificgrove Art Center. The artwork will then travel to Washington D.C. to be displayed at Carneige Hall.



Photographer is Sam Evan, titled *Avoiding Covid*. Koa Hadaway is the model.

**LTUSD is HIRING!** Please see this [Link to employment opportunities...](#)

**COVID TESTING for staff and students (only)** is being provided by CDPH at Al Tahoe school in the Elevated Portable - P1 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: [Staff URL](#) [Student URL](#)

Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Al Tahoe 7:30am - 2:00pm Lunch 11-11:30	Al Tahoe 7:30am - 2:00pm Lunch 11-11:30	Al Tahoe 7:30am - 2:00pm Lunch 11-11:30	Al Tahoe 7:30am - 2:00pm Lunch 11-11:30

## IN THE COMMUNITY

**SUPER BOWL PARTY DIP PACK fundraiser for South Tahoe High School Girls Softball!** (South Tahoe Now) Support Vikings Softball during its first Super Bowl Bean Dip Party Pack fundraiser. Enjoy your Super Bowl Sunday by watching the game, not preparing the food. 100 percent of proceeds support the South Tahoe High School Vikings Softball Team and the fundraiser is in partnership with High Sierra Softball. [Use this link to order before end of day on Thursday](#) and **see attached flyer for more information...**

**ZEPHYR POINT SUMMER 2022 YOUTH CAMPS** Registration is open for Zephyr Point Summer Camps for all school ages. **See the attached flyer for more information...**

**SLT Blood Drive sponsored by Vitalant:** February 25 from 12:00 - 5:00pm at the Recreation Center, 1180 Rufus Allen Blvd. Please make an appointment at [donors.vitalant.org](https://donors.vitalant.org) and enter blood drive code SMFM062. Bring a photo ID; Eat well and drink plenty of water before donation; Mask or face covering required. **See attached flyer.**

**Little League Registration is Open!** Spring is just around the corner which means it is time to... "PLAY BALL!!" Signup today for South Tahoe Little League. Please see our attached flyer and for any inquiries feel free to email [tahoelittleleague@gmail.com](mailto:tahoelittleleague@gmail.com) or [lowerdstill@gmail.com](mailto:lowerdstill@gmail.com). We look forward to seeing you this coming season.

**Father Daughter Sweetheart Dance** February 11, 2022 at Harvey's Convention Center from 7:00 - 9:30pm. **See attached flyer for more information.**

**Covid Testing:** Here is a list of available testing sites, both public and private, in our community: <https://www.bartonhealth.org/tahoe/testing-sites.aspx>

And El Dorado County's testing site:

<https://www.edcgov.us/Government/hhsa/Pages/EDCCOVID-19-Get-A-Test.aspx>

**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** 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. Go to <https://myturn.ca.gov/> to schedule an appointment.

**NIXLE Parent Group Texting Network:** Want to stay informed on important drug trends, local resources, and helpful information to keep your kids safe? Join the eSouth Tahoe Parent Group Texting Network - Simply text "TASK" to 888777 to Register.

**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/](https://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](#):**

[South Tahoe High School](#)

[South Tahoe Middle School](#)

[Bijou Community School](#)

[Tahoe Valley Elementary](#)

[Sierra House Elementary](#)

[Lake Tahoe Environmental Science Magnet](#)

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Cheers to fresh starts,

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