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Re: **Back-to-School Information; Board of Education Meeting August 25**

Hello LTUSD friends and families,

One week from today we'll be back in school! We sure hope you are as excited as we are! As we approach the new school year, here is some very important information to make it a smooth start:

BACK TO SCHOOL

The AERIES PARENT PORTAL is now open. ALL NEW AND RETURNING STUDENTS MUST review the Parent Annual Notifications and update their emergency contact information online through the [Aeries Parent Portal](#) . **For new students, instructions for creating a new account can be found here.** To view the [LTUSD website](#) in Spanish or other languages, click on the white flag with the yellow arrow in the top right corner.

FREE CHROMEBOOK INSURANCE! The district sent an income questionnaire before the end of the last school year but we are learning now that the State is requiring a different form. We apologize for the inconvenience but **we must ask that you again fill out an income questionnaire** in order to qualify for Free Chromebook Insurance. **ALL FAMILIES WHO FILL OUT THE QUESTIONNAIRE, REGARDLESS OF THEIR INCOME AMOUNT, WILL GET CHROMEBOOK INSURANCE WAIVED for their student(s).** Here is the link to the form: <https://www.nlappscloud.com/Default.aspx> . I just completed mine and it took only 4 minutes! Please note that you do not need your student's ID# to complete the form. The funding of important school programs relies on the district's ability to collect these forms from every student - thank you for your time!

SCHOOL DAY SCHEDULES for all schools can be found [here](#). Bell schedules will be posted on your school's website.

MEAL SERVICES AND BUS TRANSPORTATION will continue to be **FREE** for all schools during the 22/23 school year. Here is a link to the **Lunch/Breakfast Menus** and **Bus Schedules**.

Here is **the 22/23 Academic Year Calendar (Calendar in Spanish)**. Please note that Wednesdays are collaboration days at every school site throughout the year to provide ongoing student-centered professional development for faculty. Monday, October 31, 2022 is a Professional Development Day for staff and a non-school day for students.

Parent Square Communications For more information or if you would like to check your communication settings to ensure you are receiving texts, calls, and emails, please click on **this link** for parents. You can confirm your account using a web browser or through the mobile phone app called "Parent Square."

Back to School Immunization Clinics for TK-12 students who have Medi-Cal Insurance or are Uninsured: Clinic dates are Friday, August 26 and Monday, August 29. **Please see the attached flyer for more details...**

STUDENT ACCIDENT INSURANCE - Parents or guardians can enroll in Student Insurance through LTUSD's affiliate provider, Special Markets Insurance Consultants, Inc. Available plans include School Time Accident Only; 24-Hour Accident Only; Interscholastic Sports; and 24-hour Dental.

VIRTUAL CALM ROOM: 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. The **Virtual Calming Room** is a place 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!

BOARD OF EDUCATION

The next Regular Board of Education meeting is Thursday, August 25 at 6:00pm (with Closed Session at 5:00pm) Here is a link to the full agenda. (Click on the August 25 Board of Education Meeting title) 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** 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.

Public Notice of Hearing regarding proposed adoption of a Developer Fee Study and the increase of the statutory school fee will be held on September 8, 2022. **Link to**


[Notice.](#)

IN THE COMMUNITY

If you are a community member (18+) and are interested and/or passionate about becoming a possible board member to one of the many nonprofits here on the south shore of Lake Tahoe, please sign up on the link below. No experience is necessary... just passion and a big heart! This is a FREE event, but space is limited...sign up today!

For more information and to register:

<https://eldoradocf.org/event/nonprofit-speed-matching-south-shore-tahoe/>

El Dorado Community Foundation  invites you to the

SCHOLARSHIP EDUCATION FORUM

West Slope: Wednesday, September 7 from 5:30-7:00pm
@ MORE, 399 Placerville Drive, Placerville, CA

East Slope: Thursday, September 8 from 6:00-7:30pm
@ Boys & Girls Club of Lake Tahoe, 1100 Lyons Ave, South Lake Tahoe, CA

RSVP BY FRIDAY, AUGUST 29TH TO KATHY@ELDORADOCF.ORG

Open to all EDC scholarship donors & funders! Free event to learn about the scholarship process and how to reach the student applicants you are seeking. Create and/or improve your scholarships for the 21st century!

HANDS and HOOFS - Hands and Hoofs is a new fund of the El Dorado Community Foundation who is hosting a free camp for kids ages 6-13 (three different dates), and kids will be accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis. All details are on their website: handsandhoofs.com and **more information in the attached flyer...**

Affordable Connectivity Program (Wi-fi): Congress created the [Affordable](#)

[Connectivity Program](#), a new long-term, \$14 billion program, to help ensure we can afford the connections we need for work, school, health care and more for a long time.

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.

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. **See attached newsletter or www.facebook.com/CommunityHub5/.**

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.

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 our website.

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](#)

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Counting down,

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