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#### **Re: District Newsletter and Board of Education Meeting December 15**

Good afternoon LTUSD friends and families,

Happy holiday season! Wow, this white stuff! I hope everyone is staying warm and safe. We realize that many are still without power, internet, cell service, etc. Please take care out there! This will be the last newsletter before the holidays, so LTUSD wishes each and every one of you a cold outside, warm inside, and fun throughout, Holiday season! Please note that Winter Break starts December 24 and ends on January 8.

So...I'm sad to report that I'm signing off on my last newsletter here, although future newsletters will continue to come from this desk. I'm changing employers - just strolling over to another pasture, where the grass is just as green, and where I look forward to serving my community in a new capacity. I've been disseminating information to "LTUSD friends and families" for the last seven years and it has been a great honor to serve as the district's Public Information Officer. I appreciate the kind words and warm feedback I've received over the years and I will miss working here very much. I have great respect for the teachers and staff I've worked with, who are so deeply dedicated to our kids' education and success - they are doing amazing work and I feel very lucky to have raised my kids in this district. See you around town my friends!

**City Opens Senior Center as Charging and Warming Station (Dec.12)** The City of South Lake Tahoe will open a charging and warming station at the Senior Center, 3050 Lake Tahoe Blvd., on Monday, December 12 from 12-4pm. As Liberty Utilities continues to work to restore power, the City recognizes many have been without power for more than 24 hours and want to provide a safe and warm location to recharge devices. Staff will be onsite, but no other services will be provided.

# **IN THE SCHOOLS**



Save the Date! STHS Mental Health and Wellness Faire! January 18, 2023 during Blocks 1-4 in TADA, Student Union, and the Library. Please plan to attend and participate!

South Tahoe High School Grad Night '23 seeks volunteers Calling all LTUSD parents, guardians, and community members - it is time to start planning for another amazing Grad Night. Last year's event was a great success and we are looking forward to making this year's event a night to remember for our graduates. The 2023 Grad Night will be held on Friday, June 16. If you are interested in supporting this spectacular, safe, and sober event for the 2023 Graduates, please join us!

**Free Math Tutoring at LTCC for all LTUSD Students!** Drop in on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday every week through December 8 (except Thanksgiving Week and Veterans Day) from 3 - 5pm in the reading mezzanine inside the main entrance and

directly upstairs. Students should come with their math work or Chromebook. Tutoring is free and tutors can assist with any K-12 math level - all students are welcome!

**LTUSD is hiring!** Principal's Secretary, Sr. Attendance Assistant, Coaches, Cafeteria workers, Custodians, Instructional assistants, Substitute teachers, Substitute bus drivers, and more! Good pay, full-time jobs with full benefits packages, great people in a fun atmosphere. Apply at the District Office or online at **edjoin.org**.

## **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Congratulations to re-elected Board Member, Lauri Kemper, who won the election for Trustee Area 5 and will continue on to another four-year term. A little bit about Trustee Kemper can be found <u>here</u>.

And, congratulations to newly elected Board Member, Jon Hetherton, who was appointed (as if elected) to Trustee Area 2 for a four-year term. Learn more about Trustee Hetherton <u>here</u>. Both trustees will be administered the Oath of Office at this next Board meeting.

The next Regular Board of Education meeting is Thursday, December 15 at 6:00pm start to Regular Agenda (no Closed Session) <u>Here is a link to the full</u> <u>agenda.</u> (Click on the December 15 Board of Education Meeting title.) The summary agenda is attached. The meeting can also be observed <u>via this YouTube</u> <u>link</u>. Public comments may be presented in person or in writing sent to <u>info@ltusd.org</u> 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.

## **COMMUNITY EVENTS**

**South Lake Tahoe Fire Rescue's Christmas Fire Engine** is back, spreading joy to all. This annual holiday tradition is something you don't want to miss! The fire engine will be out **nightly starting at 5pm**. Here is the schedule:

Monday, Dec. 12-Ski Run Blvd. Tuesday, Dec.13-Barton/Tahoe Island neighborhood Wednesday, Dec.14-Tahoe Keys Blvd./State Streets Thursday, Dec. 15-Tahoe Keys Blvd./Venice Dr. Friday, Dec 16-Springwood Dr./Bijou Pines Saturday, Dec.17-Glenwood Way Sunday, Dec.18-South Y neighborhood/Tata Ln. Monday, Dec.19-Heavenly Valley neighborhood Tuesday, Dec.20-Stateline/Pioneer Trail Wednesday, Dec.21-Gardner Mountain neighborhood Thursday, Dec.22-Stateline area/hotel corridor Friday, Dec.23- Lake Tahoe Blvd./Highway 50 Saturday, Dec. 24-Lake Tahoe Blvd./Highway 50

#### LTUSD COMMUNITY RESOURCES

**EDC Community Hub 5**, 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/ or the Hub5 Website.

**CalFresh Healthy Living UCCE** Effective, evidence-based nutrition education for youth, adults, seniors, and families offering a comprehensive, preventative approach to health. Classes offered primarily in Spanish and English

**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 <u>sign</u> <u>up for CalFresh/food stamps</u>, food safety, home cooking, home-based activities for families, and more are available on our website.

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

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.

**Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP)** helps income-eligible households pay their energy bill or heating fuel provider. Eligible homeowners or renters may qualify to have a specific payment amount credited to their electric utility account or receive financial assistance in obtaining firewood, propane, pellets or heating oil. Priority is given to the elderly, disabled and families with children under age 5. <u>Read more...</u>

**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.

### Links to your school sites and more:

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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Peace!

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