

JUSD Community Schools

APRIL NEWSLETTER



Brought to you by NEA-Jurupa and JUSD Community Schools TSA's



What are Community Schools?

Community schools are public schools that serve Prekindergarten-12th grade and have community partnerships that support improved academic outcomes, whole-child engagement, and family development. Community school partnership strategies include integrated services, extended learning time, and collaborative leadership and practices for educators and administrators.

To reach our goal for creating transformational Community Schools, it is important to understand the Four Pillars.

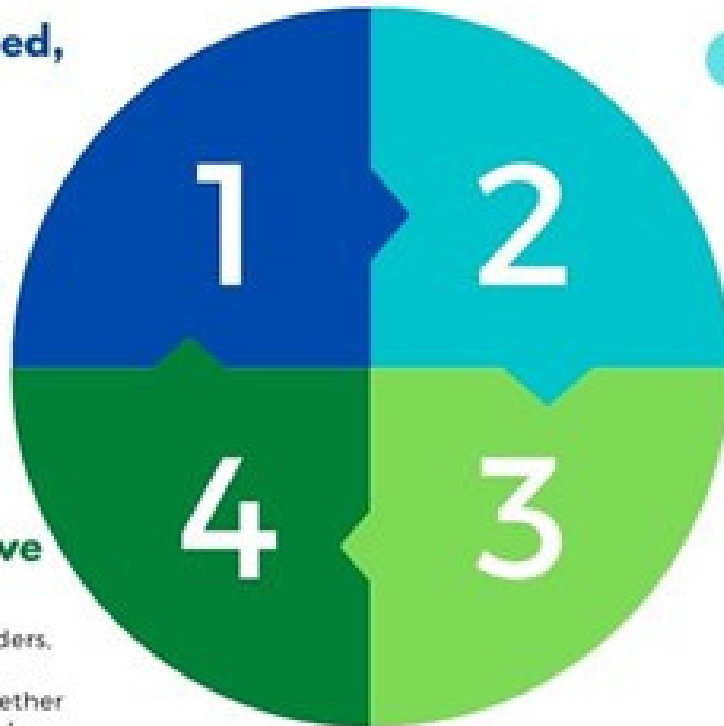
Four Pillars of Community Schools

1 Individualized, integrated student supports

Wraparound services may include physical or behavioral health care or mentoring programs

4 Collaborative leadership

Parents, school leaders, and community members work together in a trusting network



2 Expanded, enriched learning times

These opportunities may include programs like afterschool dance classes or summer literacy programs

3 Neighborhood hub for parents and community

Schools will provide services such as English classes, job training, and computer courses



Outcomes



- Increase equitable student learning
- Support the needs of the community
- Strengthening family and community foundations
- Supporting healing-centered practices, SEL, and restorative justice
- Shared decision-making between school, families, and community members, as joint partners



Our Community School Sites



Cohort 1

Cohort 2

What has been happening around the district...

Updates for next school year:

JUSD has submitted grant applications for 24-25 school year to add a new cohort of community schools. The process of the grant determinations and awards are expected to be announced in May. Currently, JUSD is composed of 50% of our sites awarded as community schools, and we are hoping to add several more this coming school year.





Community Schools Newsletter

APRIL 2024~ Courtesy of Van Buren Community Schools
TSA Monica Balbuena de la Sancha

Upcoming Events

- Dia de Nino...The Day of the Kid "Kids'" Carnival-April 12; 4:00 to 6:00pm
- VB Survey~ Parents, Teachers, and Students~ week of April 1, 2024
- Teacher TEA Time April 1, 4, 5, 8, 9, 12, 19 & 26
- Eagle Moms Help~ April 9 & 23
- Rockin' Dads Thursdays ~ April 4, 11, 18 & 25
- Mental Health~ Parents workshop April 12~ 9:00-10:30am
- FunQuest Thursdays~ April 4, 11, 18 & 25
- Enrichment Classes after school~ April 3, 10, 17 & 24 (sign-ups will be on ClassDojo)
- Cafe Literario~ Meetings April 4, 11, 18 & 25 8:15-9:30, Room E1
- Parent & Me Activity ~ TBD

April 1, 2024

Issue 1

Community Schools Newsletter



Van Buren Elementary School

What is happening at Van Buren?

Van Buren has an **Eagle Wellness Room** that is open during first and lunch recess. The room offers a variety of self-choice activities. Weekly themed craft & coloring activities, books, puppets, puzzles. A recess alternative space.

Rockin' Dads

VB is recruiting cool dads that want to hang out with students, and/or teach a sport. Thank you Mr. Fosdick, Mr. Talamantez & Mr. Martinez. Our Eagles love seeing you on campus! **The Rockin' Dads** visit us every Thursday. It is easy to sign up. **Contact us at 951.360.2865 or monica_balbuena@jUSD.k12.ca.us**



After School Enrichment Classes

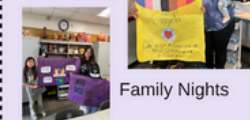
After school enrichment classes are every Wednesday after school 12:45 to 2:15 *unless noted differently. The classes are therapeutics painting, culturally enriched, and at times social events like "Cookies & Craft". Check on ClassDojo to sign up. The classes are on a first come first serve basis.



Therapeutic Painting



Valentine's Social Event



Family Nights

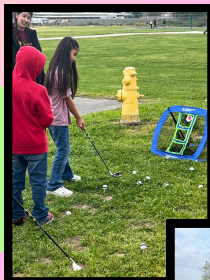
Eagle Wellness Room



We have Cafe Literario every Thursday morning



Our Eagle moms Every other Tuesday
If you would like to sign up please call (951) 360-2865



Looking Ahead:

Parent Book Connection ~ "Born a Crime" ~ April 25
May 10 ~ Mother's Day Event ~ Pending

Teacher TEA Time

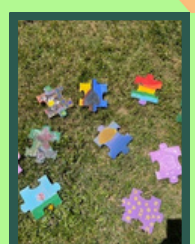
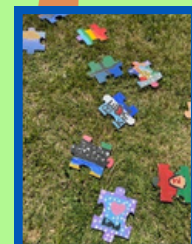


Teacher Essential Activity... whatever that "essential activity" may be. The time is for your wellness!

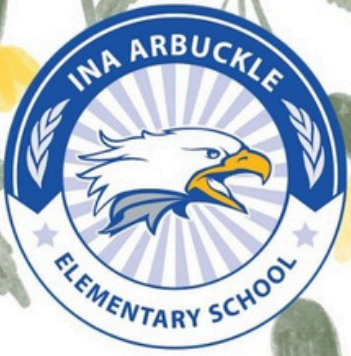


Care for Yourself

"Sometimes, it feels good to just sit alone, not talking to anyone" -Kristen Butler.



AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH SCHOOL ART INSTALLATION



Family Paint Night



Wellness Wednesday



HELLO —
April

PAI Recognition



Family Math and Literacy Night





Troth Street Elementary

Community Schools Activities ~ Courtesy of TSA Rita Salloum

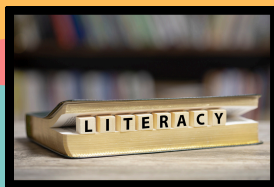
Community Schools TSAs from all schools joined the PICO Day of the Child celebration. Students and their families made bracelets, got their hair dyed, and were served cotton candy. Resources and classes were shared with parents.



We have started a sports academy program during recess and lunch (ASISA), where students participate in soccer, flag football, dancing, and other physical activities with coaches.

Family Literacy Night

Troth Street Elementary Community Schools hosted a Family Literacy Night on April 4th. Families participated in fun reading activities with students, learned strategies to improve strategies, solved escape rooms, won raffles and much more! We were joined by Footsteps2Brilliance who gave information to parents on setting up accounts and tracking progress.

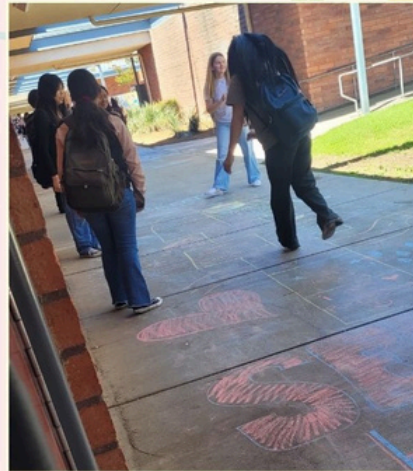


We are continuing to host wellness days for students on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays.

MISSION MIDDLE

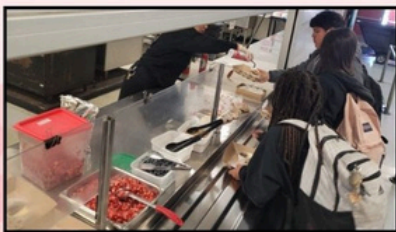
APRIL

updates



Self-care hopscotch

WE ARE A
COMMUNITY
SCHOOL!



Ice Cream Party for March Perfect Attendance



Earth Day painted pots w/ flowers



Mira Loma Middle School Community Schools Update

Courtesy of TSA AnnMarie McCoy



April 9: SBX parent orientation occurred via zoom to prepare for the mentoring program to begin. I have attached the website for you to peruse to gain an understanding of the program. April 11 will be the student orientation during 1st period. There are approximately 8 students who will begin with SBX and continue to next school year.

<https://www.sigmetaxi.com/>



April 4: 5 students traveled to Sky Country Elementary and read stories to TK/K, and 1st grade students. Watching our Mountain Lions demonstrate literacy skills to the littles was so heartwarming.

April 18: 12 students will travel to Troth Elementary to provide literacy support. 😊

April 24: Wellness Wednesday



Check out our MLMS IG page
[@mountainlion_paw_room](https://www.instagram.com/mountainlion_paw_room)



April 10: The “Day of the Child” resource fair next to West Riverside Elementary will begin at 1. Jurupa Valley community members will have access to a variety of resources as they listen to “Los Ritmos Enamorados” play. (flyer attached)

April 12: Riverside University Health System (RUHS) will be at MLMS on Friday to present to ASB aspects of the Suicide Overdose Awareness to Resilience (SOAR) program. The presentation will focus on building resilience. Students will then educate other students by participating in a campaign at lunch or as a social media post. SOAR will also continue on into the next school year to focus on all parts of the curriculum. I have attached the PDF about the program for you to review.

April 17: A needs assessment survey will be distributed to staff, students, and parents to complete. This needs assessment is a vital part of Community Schools. It essentially drives what we offer and do for our students and community.

MLMS is rewarding the top 3 advisories to participate in a pie throwing activity to celebrate winning the district’s March Attendance Challenge! We had the highest attendance rate in the district! We have won two months in a row! The attendance team will send out an email with more information and we will be letting the students know in the announcements. 😊

April 25: Mountain Lion Boutique: The MLB has received many donations, and we are so thankful! We are waiting for a wrap to be completed and placed on our donation bin that will be placed in First Bank. Hopefully, it will be delivered before the school year ends! We continue to accept donations! 😊



Jurupa Valley High School

Community Schools Updates
Courtesy of TSA Phillip Ramirez



**Wellness Wednesday in the absolutely beautiful JVHS Wellness Center
-Students are learning to crochet-**

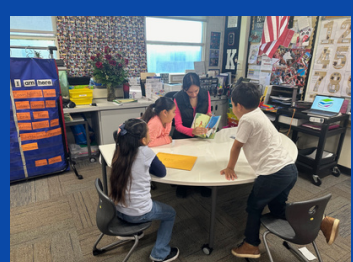
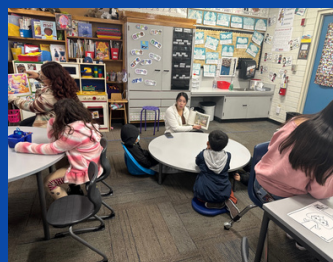


**JVHS at MLMS helping
with community
engagement event.**

**Parent graduation of
computer class.**



JVHS students go to Van Buren to read books to Kinder kiddos





As the school year is coming closer to an end, I would like to have another moment to recognize our amazing Community Schools TSA's Karmina Cook, Monica Balbuena de la Sancha, Josefina Gamez, Angelica Quintero, Martha Rodriguez, Melissa Martinez-Lantz, Elideth Guerrero, Rita Salloum, AnnMarie McCoy, Chelsea Black, Delia Nguyen, and Phillip Ramirez. Your dedication to transforming the lives of our students, families, schools, and community is invaluable and truly appreciated. The amount of dedication from you all is inspiring.

With gratitude,
Melaney Watson
NEA-Jurupa Community Schools Organizer,

