



## Meeting Minutes

### Regular Meeting

**11/04/2021 06:30 PM**

6:30 P.M. - CALL TO ORDER/OPEN/PUBLIC  
SESSION (ZOOM) / IN-PERSON

After the Completion of Public Comments -  
CLOSED SESSION (ZOOM)

7:30 P.M. - OPEN/PUBLIC SESSION (ZOOM) / IN-  
PERSON

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AGENDA FOR THE **REGULAR** MEETING OF  
THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE ROSEMEAD SCHOOL DISTRICT  
**6:30 P.M. - CALL TO ORDER/OPEN/PUBLIC SESSION (ZOOM) / IN-PERSON**  
**After the Completion of Public Comments - CLOSED SESSION (ZOOM)**  
**7:30 P.M. - OPEN/PUBLIC SESSION (ZOOM) / IN-PERSON**  
**Continuation of Closed Session After the Completion of Open Session Items**

This meeting will be held electronically via Zoom Meetings with limited in-person capacity.

**PARTICIPATION IN-PERSON:** adherence to current Los Angeles County Department of Public Health,  
health order face mask requirements:

Rosemead School District

District Office - Board Room

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**PARTICIPATION VIA TELECONFERENCE/ELECTRONIC:**

Zoom Meeting ID# 873 3150 0427

Passcode: 884535



## Attendees

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### Voting Members

Mrs. Diane Benitez, President

Ms. Nancy Armenta, Clerk

Mr. Ronald Esquivel, Trustee

Mrs. Veronica Pena, Trustee

Mr. John Quintanilla, Trustee

## Non- Voting Members

Mr. Alejandro Ruvalcaba, Superintendent

Dr. Maria Rios, Assistant Superintendent, Administrative Services

Dr. Jennifer Fang, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services

Mr. Alejandro Gaeta, Network Administrator

Mrs. Cynthia Bracamonte, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent

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### I. Public Comments / Speaker' s Requests

### II. NOTICES

### III. Call to Order by \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ p. m.

President Benitez called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

### IV. Members Present \_\_\_\_\_ Members Absent \_\_\_\_\_

Audience members attended the meeting both in-person and electronically via Zoom.

### V. MEETING RECORDED

President Benitez made the following statements:

*Pursuant to Governor Newsom's Executive Order for the modification of public gatherings, the Rosemead School District Board of Trustees must conduct their public meetings virtually. In order to ensure the board's business is heard clearly, we would like to respectfully request for all attendees to mute their microphones unless you are requested by the Board President to address the Board.*

*As a result of the ongoing state of emergency and the COVID-19 pandemic and pursuant to Governor Newsom's Executive Order #N-15-21, Assembly Bill 361, and Government Code Section 54953, as amended, as local legislative body is authorized to hold public meetings via teleconferencing and make public meeting accessible telephonically, or otherwise electronically, to all members of the public seeking to observe and to address the local legislature body.*

*In accordance with the Governor's Executive Order, the Rosemead School District Board of Trustees will conduct this meeting with all participation via Zoom Meeting which is accessible to the public.*

### VI. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

That the Agenda, be approved.

Motion made by: Mr. John Quintanilla

Motion seconded by: Mr. Ronald Esquivel

Voting:

Mrs. Diane Benitez - Yes

Ms. Nancy Armenta - Yes

Mr. Ronald Esquivel - Yes

Mrs. Veronica Pena - Yes

Mr. John Quintanilla - Yes

The motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

**VII. PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS**

Mrs. Bracamonte checked the board@rosemead.k12.ca.us email account for submissions of public comment. There were no public comments submitted for closed session.

**VIII. CLOSED SESSION- 6:30 P. M.**

**IX. RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION at \_\_\_\_\_ p. m.**

President Benitez recessed the meeting to closed session at 6:36 p.m.

**X. CLOSED SESSION**

**A. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS – pursuant to Government Code Section 54957. 6**

**B. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION- pursuant to Government Code Section 54956. 9 ( d ) ( 2) and ( e ) ( 1)**

**C. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION- pursuant to Government Code Section 54956. 9( d ) ( 1)**

**D. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE ( APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, REASSIGNMENT, EVALUATION, AND DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE) – pursuant to Government Code Section 54957**

**XI. ADJOURNMENT OF CLOSED SESSION at \_\_\_\_\_ p. m.**

President Benitez adjourned closed session at 7:28 p.m.

**XII. REGULAR MEETING – 7:30 p. m.**

**XIII. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION at \_\_\_\_\_ p. m.**

President Benitez reconvened the meeting to open session at 7:35 p.m.

**XIV. ANNOUNCEMENT OF ANY ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION( if any)**

President Benitez announced that the Board took the following action in closed session:

To Approve the Final Settlement Agreement and General Release dated November 4, 2021, between Employee # 1855 and the Rosemead School District.

Motion made by: Mr. Ronald Esquivel

Motion seconded by: Mrs. Veronica Pena

Voting:

Mrs. Diane Benitez - Yes

Ms. Nancy Armenta - Yes

Mr. Ronald Esquivel - Yes

Mrs. Veronica Pena - Yes

Mr. John Quintanilla - Yes

The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

**XV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE by: \_\_\_\_\_**

President Benitez asked Dr. Maria Rios to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

**XVI. AWARDS/RECOGNITION VIRTUAL PRESENTATION( S)**

President Benitez recognized and congratulated the Students of the Month for November 2021:

- Albert Lee, 6th gr Encinita
- Dolly Le, 6th gr Janson
- Vincent Huynh, 6th gr Savannah
- Jesslyn Liauw, 6th gr Shuey
- Pablo Guzman, 7th gr Muscatel
- Jodie Ha, 8th gr Muscatel

President Benitez recessed the meeting for a brief break at 7:57 p.m.

President Benitez reconvened the meeting at 8:09 p.m.

**XVII. PUBLIC COMMENTS (3 minutes per person or 20 minutes per topic)**

Mrs. Bracamonte checked the board@rosemead.k12.ca.us email account for submissions of public comment. There was one (1) public comment submission, as follows:

1. Shelly Fong Smith, parents, Topic: Vaccine Mandate Concerns and options for students who do not vaccinate
2. Jerry Puente, Muscatel ASB Advisor/RTA President, Topic: ASB events and teachers:

"I'm Jerry puente I would like to address the school board with the following comments:

Good evening school board members and superintendent Ruvalcaba

As ASB advisor I would like to recognize what an amazing successful movie night and haunted house we had last Friday night. The entire event was free to students except for the pizza candy and drinks which our running team used to raise funds for their upcoming 10k and half marathon registration fees. Special thanks to my principal and Vice principal, Lara and Maria, teachers Pacheco and turitski for their support supervising the night.

As for our teachers in the district I continue to here the amount of work and exhaustion they feel at the end of each week but I know what keeps us going is our students they are amazing and deserve our very best. Our communication with the district is never ending as teachers struggle not having enough subs in the district and prep time. We need to do more and and know the district is trying but it doesn't provide us much relief at times I appreciation my talks with Alex and the labor it takes to work out ones needs and relief and hope that line of communication continues. Thx. "

**XVIII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Superintendent Ruvalcaba shared the following:

- Shared that it makes him and everyone happy that members of the public are in attendance in person during the board meeting. He thanked those in attendance both in person and via Zoom.
- Thanked and recognized the Educational Services team for their work on the Professional Development Day that had a lot of great content with an excellent presentation on Implicit Bias. He thanked everyone who participated.
- Thanked all the Principals and staff for the Halloween Parades and shared that he enjoyed all the creative costumes and can't wait until next year when hopefully parents can attend in person.

- Thanked RTA President Mr. Jerry Puente for the collaborative and open partnership in working together towards resolutions. He also thanked CSEA for their collaborative partnership.
- Shared that Mr. Fredric Noriega the Assistant Principal at Muscatel will be leaving the District at the end of the month for another position. He recognized and thanked Mr. Noriega for his hard work and congratulated him on his next chapter.
- Gave a huge thanks to our lead custodian Mr. Kenneth Johnson at Savannah and congratulated him on his retirement. He shared that prior to submitting his letter to retire, Mr. Johnson personally called each of his colleagues to share his decision of retirement.
- Lastly, Superintendent Ruvalcaba shared the recent passing of one of our employees Mrs. Anh Nguyen this week. He shared that the amount of love and support to Anh's family speaks volumes. He reached out to talk with her husband, who thanked the District for its support of their family.

#### **XIX. BOARD PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS**

President Benitez shared the following:

- Congratulated the students of the month and shared that it was great to see the students, parents, and employees attending in person. She hopes to get more employees to attend the meetings in person.
- Thanked all the staff who put on their Halloween parades and loved the costumes, making it feel a little more normal. She hopes it continues with more events.
- Thanked all the teachers, staff, and administrators for being such great employees and working hard to keep our students safe and happy.

#### **XX. BOARD ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

Clerk Armenta shared:

- Congratulated our amazing students who were recognized this evening. She shared that their speeches were so heartfelt.
- Thanked Mr. Fredric Noriega for his dedicated service and shared that he will be deeply missed and knows that wherever he goes he will be of great success.
- Expressed that like her colleagues she was happy to see a room full of beautiful faces, and it took her back to pre-pandemic moments. It really felt good to go back to some type of normalcy.
- She shared that she is thankful to be on the board, thankful for our staff and our teachers, for everything that they do which places an imprint on their heart for their dedication to our students.
- Lastly, she thanked the Board because at the end of the meetings the Board has strong friendships. Reflecting on the last meeting, that although not everyone felt a certain way about different topics, they all come together to discuss and respectfully of one another views.

Trustee Esquivel shared:

- Expressed that it was great to see people in the audience instead of just empty chairs during the Board meeting and that it was great to see the students out and receiving their awards in person. It's great to see people coming back to in person attendance.
- Recognized Mr. Kenneth Johnson on his retirement and shared that he has been in the district since he joined the Board. He also shared that Mr. Johnson is such a humble man and wished him the best of luck.
- Congratulated Mr. Fredric Noriega on his new position and is sorry he is leaving Rosemead. He wished him good luck and knows he will be a blessing to the new district.
- Expressed sincerest condolences to the Nguyen family and shared that the district is like our family.
- Lastly, wished everyone a wonderful Thanksgiving and asked that everyone take time to reflect on the wonderful things we have in our own world, think of the positives, and the little things.

Trustee Peña shared:

- Expressed that she is thankful to be a part of the Board and to represent our District.
- Congratulated the November students of the month and shared that they all did an amazing job.
- Thanked Mr. Fredric Noriega for his service to the District and Muscatel and knows that he will doing a great job in his next place of employment.
- Welcomed Dr. Jason Rose to the Rosemead family.
- Shared that she was able to see the Story Time Parades and saw that the students were all excited. She also shared that they were excited to see some Trick o Treaters on Halloween night.
- Recognized the Nutrition & Wellness teams for their Halloween meal treats for the students and thanked them for all their effort.
- Hopes everyone stays safe.
- Expressed her deepest condolences and will keep the Nguyen family in her prayers.

Trustee Quintanilla shared:

- Congratulated all the students of the month and shared that it was nice to see the students who filled the boardroom. He wanted to mention all the teachers and Principals who were present for the awards. He also thanked everyone who joined the meeting via Zoom.
- He gave kudos to Dr. Cardenas and Dr. Rios for walking the community distributing notices of the fire alarm testing to the nearby neighbors in proximity to Janson.
- Thanked Mr. Fredric Noriega for his dedication to Muscatel, sharing that he will be missed and wished him the best on his new endeavors.
- Expressed his condolences to the Nguyen family.
- Lastly, wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and hopes that everyone spends their time off with family.

**XXI. PUBLIC HEARING( S) : None**

**XXII. CONSENT AGENDA:**

The Consent Agenda, be Approved.

Motion made by: Ms. Nancy Armenta

Motion seconded by: Mrs. Veronica Pena

Voting:

Mrs. Diane Benitez - Yes

Ms. Nancy Armenta - Yes

Mr. Ronald Esquivel - Yes

Mrs. Veronica Pena - Yes

Mr. John Quintanilla - Yes

The motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

- A. **CONSENT - Personnel Status Report – Certified and Classified**
- B. **CONSENT - Minutes of September 27, 2021, Board of Trustees Meeting**
- C. **CONSENT - Minutes of October 7, 2021, Board of Trustees Meeting**
- D. **CONSENT - Minutes of October 21, 2021, Board of Trustees Meeting**
- E. **CONSENT - Purchase Orders as of September - October, 2021, ( on file ) , and Warrants for budgeted expenditures**
- F. **CONSENT - Obsolete Textbooks ( District)**

XXIII. **SPECIAL REPORTS AND PRESENTATION( S ) : None**

XXIV. **ACTION ITEM( S )**

- A. **ACTION- Service/Consultant Proposals/Bid Awards/Memorandum of Understanding/ Contract Report**

The Service/Consultant Proposals/Bid Awards/Memorandum of Understanding/Contract Report, be Approved, with PT Asusa Inspection, Inc. as Corrected, and Xerox Financial - MRC Smart Technology Solutions [Amendment] be pulled for consideration at a future meeting.

Motion made by: Mr. John Quintanilla

Motion seconded by: Ms. Nancy Armenta

Voting:

Mrs. Diane Benitez - Yes

Ms. Nancy Armenta - Yes

Mr. Ronald Esquivel - Yes

Mrs. Veronica Pena - Yes

Mr. John Quintanilla - Yes

The motion passed by a 5-0 vote, with PT Asusa Inspection, Inc., as corrected, and Xerox Financial - MRC Smart Technology Solutions [Amendment] be pulled for consideration at a future meeting

- 1. **ACTION- ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES - Associated Soils Engineering, Inc. [ RENEVAL]**
- 2. **ACTION- ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES - Koury Engineering and Testing, Inc. [ RENEVAL]**
- 3. **ACTION- ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES - PT Asusa Inspection, Inc. [ RENEVAL] -- CORRECTED**

4. **ACTION- ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES - Sandy Pringle Associates, Inc. [ RENEVAL]**
5. **ACTION- ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES - Tom' s Truck Center [ NEW]**
6. **ACTION- BOARD OF TRUSTEES - Calif ornia School Boards Association ( CSBA) [ RENEVAL]**
7. **ACTION- EDUCATIONAL SERVICES - BrainPOP - Savannah [ RENEVAL]**
8. **ACTION- EDUCATIONAL SERVICES - Edmentum - Savannah [ RENEVAL]**
9. **ACTION- EDUCATIONAL SERVICES - Rosemead Kiwanis Club [ RENEVAL]**
10. **ACTION- FISCAL SERVICES - Xerox Financial - MRC Smart Technology Solutions [ AMENDMENT]**
11. **ACTION- SPECIAL EDUCATION&STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES - Children' s Hospital Los Angeles Medical Group [ AMENDMENT]**
12. **ACTION- SPECIAL EDUCATION&STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES - Diana Neskovska [ RENEVAL]**
13. **ACTION- SPECIAL EDUCATION&STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES - Dynamic Therapies, Inc. [ AMENDMENT]**
14. **ACTION- SPECIAL EDUCATION&STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES - San Joaquin County Of f ice of Education ( CODESTACK) [ NEW]**

**B. ACTION- Memorandum of Understanding, Calif ornia School Employees Association ( CSEA) and its Rosemead Chapter 9, and the Rosemead School District Regarding Changes to Health Benef its f or the 2021- 2022 School Year**

That Memorandum of Understanding, California School Employees Association (CSEA) and its Rosemead Chapter 9, and the Rosemead School District Regarding Changes to Health Benefits for the 2021-2022 School Year, be Approved.

Motion made by: Mrs. Veronica Pena

Motion seconded by: Ms. Nancy Armenta

Voting:

Mrs. Diane Benitez - Yes

Ms. Nancy Armenta - Yes

Mr. Ronald Esquivel - Yes

Mrs. Veronica Pena - Yes

Mr. John Quintanilla - Yes

The motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

**C. ACTION- Memorandum of Understanding, Calif ornia School Employees Association ( CSEA) and its Rosemead Chapter 9, and the Rosemead School District, Regarding the Ef f ects of Security Cameras and Recording Equipment**

That the Memorandum of Understanding, California School Employees Association (CSEA) and its Rosemead Chapter 9, and the Rosemead School District, Regarding the Effects of Security Cameras and Recording Equipment, be Approved.

Motion made by: Mr. Ronald Esquivel

Motion seconded by: Mr. John Quintanilla

Voting:

Mrs. Diane Benitez - Yes

Ms. Nancy Armenta - Yes

Mr. Ronald Esquivel - Yes

Mrs. Veronica Pena - Yes



Mr. John Quintanilla - Yes

The motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

**D. ACTION- Resolution No. 21- 22/08, Resolution Making Findings as Required by AB 361 to Permit the Board of Trustees Meetings to Continue to be Conducted by Teleconference while the COVID- 19 Emergency Remains in Place**

That Resolution No. 21-22/08, Resolution Making Findings as Required by AB 361 to Permit the Board of Trustees Meetings to Continue to be Conducted by Teleconference while the COVID-19 Emergency Remains in Place, be Approved.

Motion made by: Ms. Nancy Armenta

Motion seconded by: Mr. John Quintanilla

Voting:

Mrs. Diane Benitez - Yes

Ms. Nancy Armenta - Yes

Mr. Ronald Esquivel - Yes

Mrs. Veronica Pena - Yes

Mr. John Quintanilla - Yes

The motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

**E. ACTION- Memorandum of Understanding, Between the Rosemead Teachers' Association ( RTA) and the Rosemead School District, Regarding Changes to Health Benefits for the 2021- 2022 School Year**

That the Memorandum of Understanding Between the Rosemead Teachers' Association (RTA) and the Rosemead School District, Regarding Changes to Health Benefits for the 2021-2022 School Year, be Approved.

Motion made by: Mr. John Quintanilla

Motion seconded by: Mrs. Veronica Pena

Voting:

Mrs. Diane Benitez - Yes

Ms. Nancy Armenta - Yes

Mr. Ronald Esquivel - Yes

Mrs. Veronica Pena - Yes

Mr. John Quintanilla - Yes

The motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

**F. ACTION- Memorandum of Understanding, Between the Rosemead Teachers' Association ( RTA) , and the Rosemead School District, Regarding the COVID- 19 Supplemental Paid Sick Leave for the 2021- 2022 School Year**

That the Memorandum of Understanding Between the Rosemead Teachers' Association (RTA) and the Rosemead School District, Regarding the COVID-19 Supplemental Paid Sick Leave for the 2021-2022 School Year, be Approved.

Motion made by: Ms. Nancy Armenta

Motion seconded by: Mr. John Quintanilla

Voting:

Mrs. Diane Benitez - Yes

Ms. Nancy Armenta - Yes

Mr. Ronald Esquivel - Yes  
Mrs. Veronica Pena - Yes  
Mr. John Quintanilla - Yes

The motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

**G. ACTION- Memorandum of Understanding, Between the Rosemead Teachers' Association ( RTA) and the Rosemead School District, Regarding the Effects of Security Cameras and Recording Equipment**

That the Memorandum of Understanding Between the Rosemead Teachers' Association (RTA) and the Rosemead School District, Regarding the Effects of Security Cameras and Recording Equipment, be Approved.

Motion made by: Mr. John Quintanilla

Motion seconded by: Mr. Ronald Esquivel

Voting:

Mrs. Diane Benitez - Yes  
Ms. Nancy Armenta - Yes  
Mr. Ronald Esquivel - Yes  
Mrs. Veronica Pena - Yes  
Mr. John Quintanilla - Yes

The motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

**H. ACTION- Memorandum of Understanding, Between the Rosemead Teachers' Association ( RTA) and the Rosemead School District, Regarding the Professional Development Day Work from Home Option for the 2021- 2022 School Year**

That the Memorandum of Understanding Between the Rosemead Teachers' Association (RTA) and the Rosemead School District, Regarding the Professional Development Day Work from Home Option for the 2021-2022 School Year, be Approved.

Motion made by: Mrs. Veronica Pena

Motion seconded by: Ms. Nancy Armenta

Voting:

Mrs. Diane Benitez - Yes  
Ms. Nancy Armenta - Yes  
Mr. Ronald Esquivel - Yes  
Mrs. Veronica Pena - Yes  
Mr. John Quintanilla - Yes

The motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

**I. ACTION- Adoption of Board Goals for the 2021- 2022 School Year**

That the Adoption of Board Goals for the 2021-2022 School Year, be Approved.

Motion made by: Ms. Nancy Armenta

Motion seconded by: Mr. Ronald Esquivel

Voting:

Mrs. Diane Benitez - Yes  
Ms. Nancy Armenta - Yes  
Mr. Ronald Esquivel - Yes

Mrs. Veronica Pena - Yes

Mr. John Quintanilla - Yes

The motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

**XXV. DISCUSSIONITEM( S)**

**A. DISCUSSIONITEM - Update on the Reopening of Schools**

The Superintendent provided his update on the Reopening of Schools and answered the Board's questions. See the presentation attached.

**B. DISCUSSIONITEM - Discuss the Facilities Master Plan ( FMP) Prioritization Next Steps**

Assistant Superintendent Rios reviewed the updated Facilities Master Plan (FMP) prioritization list.

**XXVI. NEWBUSINESS**

**A. Exhibit 1 - Matrix f or NewBusiness Topics and FollowUp**

Superintendent Ruvalcaba shared the following updates to the Matrix:

- Security cameras - the contract will come to the Board on the November 18, 2021, agenda and the team is hoping to start the process as soon as the items are signed.
- Requested for Dr. Jennifer Fang to provide an update on the following topics and shared that the team has been working on them since they were assigned to us:
  - Student Discipline (inclusive of student suspension and expulsion) - I would like to provide you with a detailed update this weekend. In terms to the students suspended, there is a current process and procedure. I'll share them with you this weekend as to what we have put into place. We will refresh all administrators as to the current process in place.
  - CareSolace - Continuing to market CareSolace - we will continue to, placed it on our website, sent out promotional flyers, principals are promoting at their school sites. We can provide the usage data CareSolace.
  - Social Media toolkit - an update will be provided in the Board's weekly update.
- M&O Fleet Replacement - shared that there is a contract for approval on the Board agenda for consideration to start the process of replacement as they become available.

Clerk Armenta shared:

- Requested to adjourn the meeting in the memory of Anh Nguyen.

Trustee Esquivel shared:

- During that the state of the city address event he attended a board member of another district shared some resources with him. He will forward the informational email with the Superintendent on the subject of stimulate engineering career interest for students, community service, and civil involvement at TradeTech. The program doesn't cost anything, and they want to partner with us.

Trustee Quintanilla shared:

- Ask the Board for consensus on an anti-mandate resolution and possibly send a letter to the Governor. The mandate should not come from the government, it is a parent's choice.
- After Board discussion, it was agreed that the Superintendent would consult with Legal Counsel regarding the ability of the District to adhere or not adhere, abide or not abide to local mandates regarding the District's rights, responsibilities, and options, including pros and cons to state and federal mandates.
  - It was the Board's unanimous consensus to proceed with the direction to the Superintendent.

Trustee Armenta shared:

- Shared that due to the pandemic there was a delay to hosting a "State of the District" hosted by the Superintendent and asked if we could revisit this.
- The Superintendent agreed and requested for this item to be added to the Matrix.

**XXVII. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS ( 3 minutes per person or 20 minutes per topic)**

**XXVIII. RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION at \_\_\_\_\_ p. m.**

**XXIX. CLOSED SESSION**

**XXX. ADJOURNMENT OF CLOSED SESSION at \_\_\_\_\_ p. m.**

**XXXI. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION at \_\_\_\_\_ p. m.**

**XXXII. ANNOUNCEMENT OF ANY ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION (if any)**

**XXXIII. ADJOURNMENT The meeting (be) adjourned at \_\_\_\_\_ p.m.**

President Benitez adjourned the November 4, 2021, meeting at 9:44 p.m. in memory of Mrs. Anh Nguyen.

Motion made by: Mr. John Quintanilla

Motion seconded by: Ms. Nancy Armenta

Voting:

Mrs. Diane Benitez - Yes

Ms. Nancy Armenta - Yes

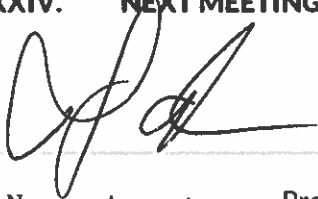
Mr. Ronald Esquivel - Yes

Mrs. Veronica Pena - Yes

Mr. John Quintanilla - Yes

The motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

**XXXIV. NEXT MEETING DATES**



Nancy Armenta, President



Ronald Esquivel, Clerk



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## Reopening of Schools Update November 4, 2021



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## Vaccination Updates

- Booster shots are available for targeted populations, including all educators.
  - No immediate plans for "booster clinics"
- Pfizer vaccine was approved for emergency use on November 2 for ages children 5-11
- County began vaccinating children on November 3
- Working with IDPH and local partners to host vaccination clinics
  - Saturday, November 13, 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at Shuey Elementary
- Hosting a Virtual Q&A session for parents/community members on Tuesday, November 9, at 6:10 p.m.



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## COVID-19 General Updates

- COVID case rates continue to decrease overall, the rate of decrease is slowing
- Unvaccinated individuals still account for majority of new cases and serious illnesses
- Vaccination will continue to rise as a result of new eligibility
- Schools continue to be one of the safest places for students and staff



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**ROSEMEAD SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**COVID-19 Vaccination Q&A**  
**session for children ages 5-11**

Join Dr. Alena Yaganeli, CPH PH Physician/Infectious Disease Specialist  
for a Q & A session on  
**Tuesday, November 9, 2021, at 6:30 a.m.**

Zoom link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85514756324?pwd=ZWZLM2pVRkZlRTZASVp5QURhbnZ2Z209>  
Meeting ID: 855 1475 6324 / Passcode: 123456



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## COVID-19 Random Student Testing

- Surveillance testing implemented Monday, October 4
- Only for families who have consented to testing
- Testing approximately 800 individuals per week
- We have found very few positive cases (asymptomatic)
- We are transitioning to a new third-party testing provider - Heiema Health



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## Rosemead School District COVID-19 Dashboard

Updated 11/11/21 11:11 AM  
Data Range: 10/14/21-11/10/21

School Type	School Name	STUDENT CASES				STAFF CASES		
		Estimated Student Population	Positives Confirmed	Positives Confirmed	Positives Confirmed	Positives Confirmed	Positives Confirmed	Positives Confirmed
Elementary Schools	Bancroft Elem. Sch.	321	0	1	13	0	0	0
	Harper D. Carson Elem. Sch.	396	0	0	10	0	0	0
	Savannah Elem. Sch.	396	0	0	10	0	0	0
	Shirley M. Brown Elem. Sch.	414	0	0	10	0	0	0
Middle School	Markston Middle Sch.	750	0	0	10	0	0	0
High School	Dr. J. Edgar Hoover High Sch.	1,100	0	0	10	0	0	0
District Office	District Office				10	0	0	0
District Office	District Office				10	0	0	0

**NOTES:**

\* This dashboard displays data for all 13 schools in the district.

\*\* Information is for data as of 11/10/21 and is subject to change.

For more information, please contact the district office at 626-261-1111.



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Questions?

# Student of the Month Awards

November 2021



Savannah Elementary School

Vincent Huynh

Savannah School is proud to announce our Student of the Month for November, Vincent Huynh. Vincent is a fabulous student who comes to school every day fully prepared, and his grades and scores reflect this. He scored Mid-6th on his initial I-Ready tests in both Reading and Math and is receiving all A's and B's on his current grades. His Independent Reading Level is the 7th highest in the class. He has not missed a homework assignment all year to this point. But most importantly, he is extremely courteous and kind to everyone. For all these reasons and more, Ms. Arreola, and his teacher, Mr. Levin are so proud to honor him as our Academic Student of the Month for Savannah School.

~Mr. Levin and Ms. Arreola, Teachers



6th grade



Encinita Elementary School

Albert Lee

Albert Lee is my District Student of The Month. He's absolutely the model student. Albert has an even temper at all times and enjoys helping others, which makes him a wonderful peer tutor. This young man is great at problem-solving. When presented with a problem, he stops and thinks of the best way he could approach it. He definitely has the gift of thinking outside the box. He's a hardworking student with great determination to do well. This young man has a superb attitude about learning new things and loves a good challenge. I'm very proud and honored to have this opportunity to select Albert Lee for this month's District Student of The Month.

~Mrs. Lam, Teacher



6th grade



Emma W. Shuey Elementary School

Jesslyn Liauw

Jesslyn Liauw is our choice for Shuey's 6th Grade Academic Student of the Month. Jesslyn actively attends, engages, and participates during class. She goes above and beyond on all her assignments, producing exceptional work. She adds meaningful commentary to our classroom discussions and works hard before and after class on iReady and AR. She is reading at a 7th-grade level and has already reached her AR goal for the Trimester. Jesslyn is not only strong academically but is also a great artist, a leader in laps every cardio day, and exemplifies kindness to those around her. The habits that Jesslyn exemplifies most are being proactive and beginning with the end in mind. We believe that Jesslyn will continue to show growth and be successful in any situation that life presents. Jesslyn is a true joy to have in class and well-deserving of this award.

~Ms. Almaraz, Ms. Elimihele, and Ms. Shotke, Teachers



6th grade



Mildred B. Janson Elementary School

Dolly Le

The Mildred B. Janson Elementary 6th grade team is proud to recognize Dolly Le as Student of the Month for the month of November. Dolly has shown a great aptitude for writing and currently excels in all areas. She makes sure to seek to understand in order to do her best and is proactive in making sure she is ready for each subject. She synergizes with her group every day to accomplish the tasks given. For these reasons, the Janson 6th grade team proudly selects Dolly as Student of the Month for Janson.

~Mr. Aguilar, Ms. Arellano, and Ms. Gonzales, Teachers



6th grade



Muscatel Middle School

Pablo Guzman

I would like to nominate 7th-grade student, Pablo Guzman. Pablo has a very strong work ethic and is very determined to learn. If he does not understand something, he asks for help and practices his skills until he understands and gets the correct answer. At times, he has been observed helping his classmates in need, not just with Math, but you loaning them items like his laptop charger. He is always willing to help and eager to learn.

~Mrs. Pacheco, Teacher



7th grade





## Muscatel Middle School

### Jodie Ha

Jodie Ha is an outstanding student who has demonstrated excellent achievement by maintaining academic excellence, leadership involvement, and community service at Muscatel Middle School. Not only is Jodie an exceptional student, she has been a strong member of our student leadership body, an officer in CJSE, a member of Builder's Club, and also our Leaders in Me Team. She is always a student who enters my math classroom prepared, ready to go to work, and she goes above and beyond for everything she does. She demonstrates good citizenship each day by being a leader in her behavior and academic success. Jodie is also one of our hard-working peer tutors who volunteers her own time after school to others in need. I feel honored to nominate her to be our student of the month.

~Mrs. Chen, Teacher



8<sup>th</sup> grade