



# Soledad Unified School District Weekly Newsletter

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**2016/2017 THEME: DISCOVER WHAT'S POSSIBLE**

**OCTOBER 14, 2016**

### October Employees of the Month

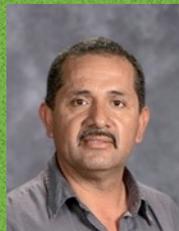


**Valerie Maturino** is not only Gabilan's School Counselor, staff counselor, SST and PBIS Coordinator, but she is always willing to do what it takes to make Gabilan the best place for our students to be. She organizes the School Spirit and Pride, Spirit Days, and supports the yearbook and leads the Sunshine Committee. Her daily positive attitude helps create a positive school climate at Gabilan. Mrs.

Maturino is the epitome of a professional who truly gives the best of herself to those she serves. We are truly lucky to have Valerie on our staff.

**Rudy Canchola's job title is a school custodian.**

However, if you ask anyone: staff, students and parents of Gabilan, he does so much more than that. He is the daily smiling face students see around campus. He supports our PBIS implementation by giving out Eagle dollars for the positive behavior he sees. He has been at Gabilan for over 25 years (27 to be exact) and he is an integral part of the Gabilan family so much so that if he ever retires, we will have to build a statue of him. When asked what he loves about his job, he states that everything he does, he does for the kids. He truly feels he can make a difference, and he does, in the lives of our Gabilan students.



**DON'T FORGET: Follow us and like us on Facebook!**

### Site Visits

Today, I had the pleasure of visiting the majority of the school sites. Joining me were Board President, Marie Berlanga and Vice-President, Jodi Massa. They also joined me in distributing dictionaries to 3rd Graders at Jack Franscioni. The Soledad Rotarians donate and distribute the dictionaries to all 3rd Graders. Below are some pictures of our visits to the schools. Great job to everyone! Also, thank you to Mrs. Berlanga and Mrs. Massa for taking time out of their busy schedule to visit.





# Educational Services Team



## LCAP Goal 3- 2nd PBIS Training

Our school teams attended the Friday, October 14 PBIS training in the Mission room at SHS. The Problem Solving Tool "TIPS" - (What NOT to do) was demonstrated. Josh Harrower modeled how we should use this tool to help us problem solve areas and behaviors in our schools of concern. He also discussed how to run an effective PBIS Team meeting.



## LCAP Goal 2- CDLT Training & Meeting

The Principals met this week for our Curriculum District Leadership Team (CDLT) meeting in the C & I building. We covered these topics:

- Celebrated our "Administrator of the Day"
- Our Instructional Leadership role
- Fall Goal Setting
- Coderdojo with Hartnell College
- Summits
- Instructional Rounds & Data Analysis



## LCAP Goal 2 & 6- RTI Training on October 11

Rosa Bazan gave a Response to Intervention (RTI) training to our Learning Directors, Liaisons, & Instructional Assistants on Tuesday October 11 at Frank Ledesma. She modeled the interventions of "Making Words" and "Greek Latin Roots." The object is for all of our schools to use these strategies in their RTI model to help both our primary students and our upper elementary students improve their reading skills.

# Special Projects

## Coming Up:

- October 17-18 Annual CELDT testing at Jack Francioni
- October 18 -DELAC meeting, 6:00 JF Library
- October 20-21 Annual CELDT testing San Vicente
- October 24-25 Annual CELDT testing Rose Ferrero
- October 24th - ASP meeting (3:00-4:30 @ C&I Building)

## CELDT Testing Update

There are only three schools remaining to administer the annual CELDT assessment. Thank you to all teachers that helped prepare your students for the language proficiency test. We look forward to seeing all of your hard work reflected in the students' improved achievement. In new news, Soledad Unified School District has been asked to field test the new language development assessment. The English Language Proficiency Assessments for California (ELPAC) will replace the CELDT exam. Select schools from the district will be field testing this Spring.

## Main Street Middle School After School Program



Main Street after school program students are working hard to complete placemats for Soledad's Community Annual Thanksgiving Dinner held at the YMCA.



**Erin Ramirez**  
Special Projects Coordinator  
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# SPECIAL EDUCATION

## Employment First Policy

Signed by Governor Brown in October of 2013, put California as the 12th state to enact this bill. The employment First Policy gives opportunities for competitive, integrated employment shall be given the highest priority for working age individuals with developmental disabilities.

## Employment First

- \*Competitive Employment
- \*Work in Labor Market
- \*Full-time or part time
- \*Compensated at or above minimum wage
- \*Work setting typical as that found in community
- \*Interaction with non-disabled individuals

## DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS

Deissi Lamas pictured here is an Instructional Aide at Main Street Middle School. Deissi is in



her second year working with the district. Deissi is doing a fantastic job working with our students with special needs, both inside

and outside of the general education environment. Deissi's assistance helps our students to have access to the regular curriculum and to be able to be educated next to their typical peers.

### Mr. Anthony Miranda's Birthday Celebration

The Special Education Staff and peers, celebrated Mr. Miranda's B Day. Our very own District Custodian, Amalia Rodriguez made the cake.



# Business Department



## Soledad Unified School District Employees

### Friendly Reminder: Claim Processing for Travel and Expense Reimbursement Claims Guidelines:

- Within 10 working days following return from travel, complete the Reimbursement Form and submit the completed form to the Business Office for payment.
- Please attach copies of the approved request for participation form & conference flyer (if you attended a conference).
- Include original itemized receipts and any explanation necessary to document that the expense meets the District criteria for reimbursement.

This will assure and expedite the process of you getting your reimbursement on a timely matter.

**For any questions, please call the Business Office at (831) 678-0786.**

**Business Office Hours:  
Monday-Friday  
7:45 a.m. - 4:45 p.m.**



## The Fiscal Report California's 2016-17 Spending Plan Detailed

On October 5, 2016, the Legislative Analyst's Office \*(LAO) released its summary of the 2016-17 State Budget, including major budget-related legislation enacted through September 2016. The report details the General Fund revenue forecast upon which the Budget is based, along with descriptions of the state's major programs and funding levels. The report also presents the evolution of the state's spending plan from its introduction by Governor Jerry Brown on January 7, 2016, the changes proposed by the May Revision, and the final enacted State Budget on June 27, 2016. The report notes that one of the top priorities of Governor Brown was to build the state's reserves, which consist of the Proposition 2 Budget Stabilization Account (commonly referred to as the Rainy Day Fund) and the Special Fund for Economic Uncertainties (SFEU). Governor Brown insisted upon and the Legislature ultimately agreed to deposit \$2 billion more than the required minimum contribution of \$1.3 billion into the Rainy Day Fund in 2016-17. Thus, for the current year reserves total \$8.5 billion (\$6.7 billion in the Rainy Day Fund and \$1.8 billion in the SFEU). The LAO's report highlights key features of the 2016-17 State Budget, including:

*Set aside of \$1.8 billion for State Infrastructure, Increases Higher Education Funding, and Proposition 98. To access the LAO's report:*

**<http://www.lao.ca.gov/publications/reports/3487/12>**

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Robert Miyashiro*

# Human Resources



## IMPACT A CHILDS LIFE!

**Who:** Working Professionals interested in becoming an Elementary Teacher  
**When:** November 1, 2016, 4 pm - 5:15 pm

Please look for open positions on our website at [soledadusd.org](http://soledadusd.org)

### Keenan Safe School

If you are a new employee to our District, please be sure to complete the Keenan Safe School trainings. It is mandatory that the following trainings be completed within the first 6-weeks of employment:

- Blood Borne Pathogens
- Child Abuse
- Workplace Harassment

If you need support, please contact Nancy Terrones at [nterrones@soledad.k12.ca.us](mailto:nterrones@soledad.k12.ca.us)



### Julia Turner - New Teacher Support & Development Coordinator

#### Common Core: Annotating Text to Deepen Understanding

Doug Fisher and Nancy Frey

Students who annotate the text while they read deepen their understanding of the text. Fisher and Frey, expert literacy researchers, define “annotation as a note of any form made while reading text” and advocate that students “read with a pencil.” They provide the following examples of annotating.

#### PreK - 2

- Drawings & writing with teacher and student interaction

#### Grades 3 - 5

- Underline the major points.
- Circle confusing or unknown keywords or phrases.
- Use a question mark (?) for questions that you have during reading. Write your questions.

#### Grades 6 - 8

- Use an exclamation mark (!) for things that surprise you, and briefly note what it was that caught your attention.
- Draw an arrow (→) when you make a connection to something inside the text or to an idea or experience outside the text. Briefly note your connections.

#### Grades 9 - 12

- Numerate arguments, important ideas, key details. Write words or phrases that restate them.
- Mark EX when the author provides an example.



- LCAP #1 – SUSD will increase graduation rate for students, college and career ready.
- LCAP #2 – SUSD will provide a high quality and comprehensive instructional program.
- LCAP #6 – SUSD will provide resources for ELs and other students requiring additional support.

Unlocking the Future Today

# Technology



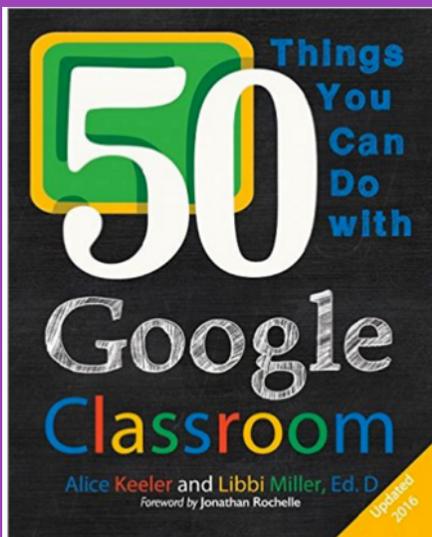
## Think Central and MyHRW Support

Teachers, if you have new students, please submit a tech request and we will get the rosters updated. If you have any troubleshooting issue with regards to resources that are unavailable to your students or yourself, please call Houghton Mifflin tech support at 1-800-225-5425.



## AERIES Conference

This week members of our Tech Department were able to attend Aeries conference. We learned so much with regards to CALPADS reporting, CTE reporting, Scheduling process, new features, Aeries Analytics reporting, Custom Reports, and vision for the future. There are a few small changes to the way California Department of Education collects our data via CALPADS so these sessions were extremely helpful.



## Monthly Tech PD

Tech Committee met this week to discuss and go over next week's monthly site Tech PD. This month's focus will be on how to use Google Classroom. As a reminder, all student emails are populated in the student email field in Aeries. If you would like for us to reset your student's passwords, please email tech support. Also, to prepare for next Tuesday's training, there are some great resources available out there, including Alice Keeler's book, '50 Things You Can Do With Google Classroom'.



## MAINTENANCE

MOT would like to thank all of our custodial staff for all of their hard work at our school sites.

Always going above and beyond. If you see them around make sure to thank them and let them know how much are appreciated.



### TRANSPORTATION NEW

School Bus Safety Week  
October 17th, through the 21st.

Our drivers do an amazing job each and every day behind the wheel of the 40 foot buses they drive. Take a moment and thank them for the job they do keeping our students safe.

We are all about safety in the Transportation Department. Always looking at the most efficient..but most importantly safest way to get from one point to another!



### State Emergency Repair Program

This is made possible by a 0% interest loan in the amount \$2 million through the California Energy Commission.

Tentative timeline:

Groundbreaking starts December 10, 2016  
Completion is anticipated by April 2017



Community Flu Clinic Locations	Age	Date	Clinic Time
Clinicas de la Comunidad de Vacunas Contra la Gripe	Edad	Fecha	Horario de Clinica

Main Street Middle School  
441 Main St., Soledad

2 yrs & up 10/27/16 4pm-7pm  
2 años + 27 de Octubre 4pm-7pm

**"WHAT'S NEXT?" EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION CONFERENCE & JOB FAIR**



A Free CONFERENCE AND JOB FAIR FOR STUDENTS INTERESTED IN A CAREER WORKING WITH CHILDREN

HARTNELL COLLEGE  
MPC  
MONTEREY PENINSULA COLLEGE

**SATURDAY NOVEMBER 5, 2016**

8:00-8:30 am: Coffee and sign-in  
8:30 am-12:30 pm: Sessions and Job Fair  
**Free! No Registration!**

**HARTNELL COLLEGE MAIN CAMPUS**  
**BUILDING C: STEINBECK HALL**  
FREE PARKING!

**FIRST5** (MONTEREY COUNTY) **CAREER**

**For More Information Contact:**  
Chris Pedersen 831-809-0826 or Sergio Diaz sdiaz@hartnell.edu 831-755-6820

**EVENT DETAILS**

- JOB FAIR
- Resume Writing/Interview workshops
- Meet representatives from: CSUMB, San Jose State, UC Santa Cruz, Fresno State, Bradman University, Pacific Oaks University & Hartnell College
- Learn about Early Childhood Education (ECE), Child Development, Human Development, Liberal Studies & Credential Programs
- Learn how to start/open a Childcare Center in your Home
- Learn about ECE permits and how to apply for them
- New Students: Get enrolled at Hartnell with 7 STEPS TO SUCCESS

**College & Career Fair**

November 3, 2016  
9:00 am – 1:35 pm  
*Local businesses and schools!!!*

Soledad High Gym  
425 Gabilan Dr.  
Soledad, CA

**More info:**  
**Kaniz Frank**  
PH: 831-678-6400  
Fax: 831-678-0449



**Join the Fun!**

Strengthening Families (English) Program at Frank Ledesma, Mondays from 5:30-8pm  
Family discussions and games & Parent discussions Youth Activities for youth ages 10-13  
Meeting Dates: 10/17, 10/24, 11/7, 11/14, 11/28, 12/5, 12/12, New Topics Each Week!  
For more information, please contact Maribel Franco at 678-6320 or Aidee Aldaco at 540-0191  
Daycare Provided!