



FROM THE DESK OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

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Dear MJUSD Community,

During yesterday's Board meeting we took a few moments to thank two Board members who have guided our District and supported our schools for many years. Mr. Jeff Boom has represented Area 4 for twenty years; Area 4 includes Browns Valley, Cordua, Dobbins, Foothill, Loma Rica, Marysville High and Yuba Feather schools. Mr. Randy Rasmussen has represented Area 3 for the past eight years; Area 3 includes Arboga, Ella, Johnson Park, Lindhurst High, Olivehurst and Yuba Gardens schools. Both Board members chose not to run for re-election for the 2022-2026 term. They will be greatly missed.

Last week we held a ribbon cutting ceremony at Arboga Elementary School to celebrate the expansion of the TK-8 campus, which includes two new classroom wings featuring 10 classrooms and a state-of-the-art science lab. A new Multipurpose Room has also been built to house a new kitchen, cafeteria, gym, and stage, as well as a connected outdoor amphitheater space.

I always enjoy spending time in our schools and with students. Last week, I had a wonderful time watching the MCAA advanced drama production of "Puffs" and attending the Browns Valley Harvest Festival. A big shout-out to staff and students for all their hard work!

This Friday is Veterans Day. I would like to extend a big thank you to our veterans for their service to our country, city, and community. Please remember there is no school on Friday in observance of Veterans Day. However, many of our students and community members will be participating in the Marysville Veterans Day Parade which begins at 11:00 a.m. in downtown Marysville. It's the biggest parade of the year!

Here are some highlights from the November 8, 2022, Board of Trustees meeting:

- The Board recognized Trustees Randy Rasmussen and Jeff Boom for their years of service to the district.
- The Board recognized the first student to graduate from the Marysville School for Adults since it reopened this year.
- Amy Stratton, Director of Curriculum, Assessment, and Accountability, gave a presentation about the annual statewide student testing data.
- PBK architects gave a presentation about a security fencing project for LHS, MHS, and MCAA. This project aims to increase campus safety during the school day. Funding to design the project was approved by the Board.
- Dr. Gabe Simon, Assistant Superintendent of Personnel Services, and Jennifer Passaglia, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, each presented their department priority goals for the 2022-23 school year.

- Dr. Simon also gave a presentation about the Teacher Pathways Program which offers support for new teachers hired in MJUSD.
- The Board approved a new job description and position for Director of Wellness.
- Olivehurst Elementary School Principal Robert Gregor was appointed to serve as the Director of Wellness.
- Heather Marshall, Principal of Cordua and Browns Valley elementary schools, was appointed to serve as the new Principal at Olivehurst Elementary School. The search for a new Principal for Cordua and Browns Valley will begin soon.
- The Board approved a MOU with the Parent Institute for Quality Education (PIQE) to offer three different literacy-focused sessions for parents of English Language Learners.
- The Board approved an MOU with the Yuba County Office of Education for a Wellness Center at Lindhurst High School.
- The Board approved a proposal with Mathewson & Associates Inc. for a seismic assessment report of the district's historic Marysville Auditorium, a 1,000-seat performing arts venue that has been closed since 2017. A committee has been working all year to identify possibilities to reopen the theater.

Please remember schools are closed during the week of November 21-25 for Fall Recess. On Monday, November 21, and Tuesday, November 22, we will be holding two "So Thankful" community outreach events at our high schools. More information will be sent out to you about these events very soon. I wish you and your loved ones a safe and happy holiday break!

Our next Board meeting is on December 13, 2022. I look forward to seeing you then.

Sincerely,



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