

Subject: DUSD Weekly Update - September 13, 2024

DUSD Community,

As we approach the upcoming elections, I wanted to take a moment to remind everyone about the importance of being engaged in the democratic process. The decisions made at the ballot box have a direct impact on our community, including our public education system.

If you have not yet [registered](#) to vote, I encourage you to do so as soon as possible. Your voice matters, and registering to vote is the first step in ensuring it's heard. Additionally, I urge all community members to take the time to educate themselves on the candidates and issues that will be on the ballot. Understanding the positions of those running for office and the issues at stake is crucial in making informed decisions.

Please play an active role in establishing the direction you feel is most beneficial for our community and country.

Sincerely,



Chris D. Funk
Superintendent
Dublin Unified School District

DUSD TOWN HALL BUDGET MEETINGS

September 17 @ Dublin High Building F - 6:30 - 7:30

September 18 @ Emerald High Lecture Hall - 6:30 - 7:30

DISTRICT NEWS

Town Hall Meetings to Discuss Budget Reductions: DUSD would like to invite the community to attend a Town Hall meeting in September to seek input on potential Budget Reductions for the 2025-26 school year and beyond. Dates are September 17, 2024, at Dublin High School in Building F from 6:30 -7:30 pm and September 18, 2024, at Emerald High School in the Lecture Hall from 6:30-7:30 pm.

14th Annual 2024 DreamMakers & RiskTakers Event: We are excited to share information for the 2024 DreamMakers and RiskTakers Awards. Innovation Tri-Valley Leadership Group is searching for students who are DreamMakers and RiskTakers enrolled in the Dublin Unified School District, Livermore Valley Joint Unified School District, Pleasanton Unified School District, San Ramon Valley Unified School District, Tri-Valley Regional Occupational Program, and Las Positas College. The student recipients of the annual DreamMakers and RiskTaker Awards are selected by the ITV Education and Workforce Development

Committee with final approval of the President or Superintendent of each host educational organization based on common criteria. Nominations can be made by individuals nominating themselves or educators/mentors/parents/administrators nominating students. The Innovation Tri-Valley Leadership Group Selection Committee will review submissions and will present finalists to Superintendents, Principals and Administrators of appropriate school districts for final selection. [Click here for more information.](#)

DUSD Board Meeting Summary: The Board Buzz summary from the September 10, 2024, Regular Board Meeting is now available on the district website. A complete collection of summaries can be found at [this link](#). If the digest does not provide the level of detail you are looking for, full videos of most meetings are available at <https://www.dublinusd.org/board-archive>

Full Closure of Southbound I-680 between Alcosta Blvd in San Ramon and I-580/I-680 Connector in Pleasanton September 20-23, 2024: A full weekend closure of southbound Interstate 680 between the Alcosta Boulevard in San Ramon and I-580/I-680 connector in Pleasanton will take place Friday, September 20 through Monday morning, September 23. Southbound Interstate 680 will be closed between the Alcosta Blvd in San Ramon and I-580/I-680 connector in Pleasanton from 9 p.m. Friday, September 20 through 4 a.m. Monday morning, September 23, 2024. However, all I-580/I-680 connectors will remain open through right most lanes on southbound I-680. We encourage motorists to take alternative routes to alleviate traffic congestion within the construction work zone on southbound I-680 in the cities of San Ramon and Dublin. [Click here for more information.](#)

2024-2025 DUSD Budget Book Available: Every June, school boards across the state are required to adopt budgets for the upcoming fiscal year. While the state-mandated documents are thorough, they can be difficult to interpret and often lack context for the decisions behind the numbers. At Dublin Unified, we believe that a budget is more than just numbers—it's a blueprint for achieving the district's vision and goals. To better communicate this, we've created an award-winning budget book that goes beyond the figures to explain what our budget aims to achieve. We're excited to share the [2024-2025 Budget Book](#) with our community, and we encourage everyone to use this resource to understand how we use our financial resources to support our students.

Menstrual Equity & The 2024-2025 School Year: As a result of the Menstrual Equity for All Act of 2021([AB 230](#)), starting in the 2022-2023 school year, all public schools serving any grade 6-12 students were required to provide free and accessible menstrual products in all women's restrooms and all-gender restrooms, and at least one men's restroom. As of this school year (2024-2025), schools serving any grade 3-5 students must also comply with the Act. As a result, all DUSD schools now offer menstrual products in all women's and gender-neutral bathrooms and at least one boys' bathroom. [Click here to learn more about the Menstrual Equity for All Act of 2021.](#)

Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 Reports: During the August 13, 2024 Board Meeting, the Independent Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee (CBOC) submitted its 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 Annual Reports to the Board of Trustees. Due to committee membership turnover, the 2021-2022 report had not been presented to the Board, so both reports were presented simultaneously. The purpose of the CBOC is to inform the public and the Board regarding expenditures of bond funds pursuant to Education Code Section 15278. In order to notify the community of the availability of the reports, the CBOC will post flyers with QR code links in community facilities such as City Hall, the library, The Wave, and the Senior Center. [Click here to view the 2022-2023 report.](#) [Click here to view the 2021-2022 report.](#)

BOND PROJECT UPDATE (Currently/Recently Active Projects)

SCHOOL	PROJECT	COMPLETION DATE	BUDGET	FUNDING
EMERALD	New Construction Phase 2	April 2025	\$91.1M	Measure J
EMERALD	Theater	August 2026	\$38.3M	Measure J & Prop 51
MURRAY	New MPR, Administration Building	Summer 2025	\$64.3M (Enitre MES Project)	Measure H & Prop 51
MURRAY	Demo of old classrooms, construction of new field, remodel of the existing MPR to a Library, site fencing, and shade structure	Various: Classroom demo (Summer 24). New field (January 25). All other (TBD)		
DUBLIN EL	New Administration, Library, new classroom building, new Dining/Servery/Kitchen and remodeled B wing	Fall 2025	\$47.7M	Measure H, Prop 51 & Developer Fees
DUBLIN EL	Two New TK-K classrooms, remodel of A wing and remodel of MPR	TBD		
COTTONWOOD CREEK	Gym and Changing Rooms	October 2024	\$15.5M	Prop 51
SHAMROCK HILLS	New School	Fall 2026	\$102.5M	Measure J & Prop 51
DHS, FMS, WMS	Gym HVAC	January 2025	\$6.1M	Developer Fees

OUTSIDE SOURCES (Insight into topics facing public education)

- NPR: [Here's where Trump and Harris stand on 6 education issues](#)
- CDC Newsroom: [Youth E-Cigarette Use Drops to Lowest Level in a Decade](#)
- East Bay Times: [Ban cell phones in California schools? Georgia shooting raises questions](#)
- Sacramento Bee: [\\$10,000 for community service? How College Corps is helping Californians pay for school](#)

DUSD IN THE NEWS

- Patch.com: [Dublin Education Alliance Hopes To Alleviate Budget Cuts](#) (9/11)
- Mercury News: [Two arrested in Dublin High School locker room attack](#) (9/7)
- KRON: [Two former students arrested in Dublin High School assault](#) (9/6)
- The Independent: [Two Arrested in Dublin HS Locker Room Assault](#) (9/6)

SOCIAL MEDIA HIGHLIGHTS

- Dublin El Instagram: [Sharks find the four regions of California](#)
- Murray Instagram: [A visit to Ms. Kaitlin Repine's 5th grade class](#)
- Dublin High Instagram: [DHS highlights its 18 National Merit Scholarship Semifinalists](#)
- Frederiksen Instagram: [The Panther Prowl is coming soon!](#)
- Green Instagram: [I matter. You matter. We all matter](#)
- Amador Instagram: [The Amador Safety Patrol is up and running](#)
- Cottonwood Creek Instagram: [The Coyote Color Run is coming](#)

- Emerald Athletics Instagram: [Emerald takes on Cal High in Flag Football](#)
- DUSD Instagram: [34 Gaels recognized as AP Capstone Diploma recipients](#)

UPCOMING BOARD MEETINGS & ARCHIVES

- **September 24:** Regular Board Meeting @ 6PM
- **October 8 & 22:** Regular Board Meeting @ 6PM
- **November 12:** Regular Board Meeting @ 6PM
- **December 3 & 17:** Regular Board Meeting @ 6PM

Visit the [Board section of the DUSD website](#) for information on how to contact board members, review current or past board agendas, view archived board meeting videos, participate in the public comment period of a board meeting, and more.

TITLE IX

Dublin Unified School District prohibits sex discrimination in any education program or activity that it operates. Individuals may report concerns or questions to the Title IX Coordinators by emailing. For staff-related concerns: titleixstaff@dublinusd.org. For student-related concerns: titleixstudent@dublinusd.org

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