Subject: DUSD Weekly Update - July 26, 2024

DUSD Community,

As we approach the end of summer, I hope you have all had a restful and enjoyable break with your friends and family. With the new school year just over two weeks away, I want to take this opportunity to remind everyone to start preparing for the upcoming academic year.

Our dedicated staff has been working diligently to ensure that our schools are ready to welcome back our students in a safe and supportive environment. We are committed to providing the best possible educational experience for all students, and we are looking forward to the exciting year ahead.

I encourage you to take some time to review important dates, gather school supplies, and make any necessary preparations to help ensure a smooth transition into the new school year. Below, you'll find links to notes each of our schools have sent to their community regarding Fall Check-in and the new school year:

Amador Elementary
Cottonwood Creek K8
Dougherty Elementary
Dublin Elementary
Dublin High
Emerald High
Fallon Middle School
Frederiksen Elementary
Green Elementary
Kolb Elementary
Murray Elementary
Wells Middle School

You'll find links to the 24-25 school year instructional calendar and bell schedules here.

Your involvement and support are crucial to the success of our students, and we are grateful for your continued partnership. As always, we remain committed to the well-being and success of our students, and we look forward to working together to make the upcoming school year a great one. Wishing you all the best as we embark on this new academic journey together.

Sincerely,

Valley High

Chris D. Funk Superintendent

Dublin Unified School District



DISTRICT NEWS

Wells Softballers Play for a Trip to the Little League World Series: Eleven Wells Roadrunners will fight for the Western Regional Little League Softball Tournament title tonight (7/26) in San Bernardino, California. If they beat the team from Wilcox, Arizona, they head to the Little League Softball World Series in Greenville, North Carolina. You can catch tonight's Championship game on ESPN at 5:45. Let's go Dublin! Let's go Roadrunners!

Gaels Shine at 2024 Junior Achievement Event: Eight DHS students recently distinguished themselves at the prestigious 2024 Junior Achievement / CNBC Make It Student Leadership Innovation Summer Program. The students – Akshada Dhoke, Akhil Venkatesh, Jasmitha Levey Baskar, Evan Valentine, Riya Kawatra, Siddhi Ananya, Siqi Li, and Sravya Govindaraju – impressed the judges with their presentation entitled "Beyond the Paycheck." Their project addressed the critical gap in financial literacy among teenagers and young adults. They developed a compelling three-part video series focusing on financial firsts associated with getting a first job. Read more at https://bit.ly/DHS-JA-24

Dublin Education Alliance Announced Empower Dublin Education: The Dublin Education Alliance recently announced its inaugural campaign, "Empower Dublin Education," with a fundraising goal of \$500,000. Achieving this goal will allow the organization to directly fund district-wide essential STEM initiatives, intervention, counseling, and student wellness programs that are crucial for our students' success. As a 501(c)(3) organization, all donations are tax-deductible. To learn more about the Dublin Education Alliance and how you can contribute to the Empower Dublin Education campaign, visit their website and sign up for their communications.

BOND PROJECT UPDATE (Currently/Recently Active Projects)

SCHOOL	PROJECT	COMPLETION DATE	BUDGET	FUNDING
EMERALD	New Construction Phase 1, Inc. 1	February 2022	\$245M	Measures H & J
EMERALD	New Construction Phase 1, Inc. 2 & 3	March 2024		Measure J
EMERALD	New Construction Phase 2	April 2025	\$91.1M	Measure J
EMERALD	Theater	August 2026	\$38.3M	Measure J & Prop 51
MURRAY	Classroom Modernization Parking Lot, EDCC Move	July 2022	\$64.3M	Measure H & Prop 51
MURRAY	New MPR, Administration Building	Summer 2025		
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 (November 24). 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	December 2024	\$15.5M	Prop 51
SHAMROCK HILLS	New School	Fall 2026	\$102.5M	Measure J & Prop 51
DHS, FMS, WMS	Gym HVAC	Spring 2025	\$6.1M	Developer Fees

OUTSIDE SOURCES (Insight into topics facing public education)

- Mercury News: Gov. Newsom signs first-in-nation bill banning schools' transgender notification policies
- KQED: <u>How Postcards to Parents Can Help Schools Get Kids Back to Class</u>
- The74: Project 2025 Would Cut Ed Department, Fulfill Conservative K-12 Wish List Under Trump
- ProPublica: <u>School Vouchers Were Supposed to Save Taxpayer Money. Instead They Blew a Massive Hole in Arizona's Budget</u>
- Mercury News: <u>Bay Area students struggle to find SAT slots as schools reverse test-optional policies</u>
- EdSource: High schools demand clarity about UC's new math policies

DUSD IN THE NEWS

- SF Gate: California's fastest growing city unveils new \$374M public high school (7/23)
- The Independent: Emerald High Campus Ready for First Students (7/18)

- The Independent: 25 Top High School Athletes Recognized by TV30 (7/18)
- The Independent: <u>High School Students Bring Educational Resources to Underdeveloped Countries</u> (7/18)

SOCIAL MEDIA HIGHLIGHTS

- DUSD Facebook: Renovation work at Dublin Elementary continues
- DUSD Instagram: The district Maintenance and Operations team is updating the Green MPR
- DUSD Instagram: <u>Demolition of the old classroom buildings at Murray is complete</u>
- DUSD Facebook: Bleachers at being installed at the Emerald High field

UPCOMING BOARD MEETINGS & ARCHIVES

- August 13 & 27: Regular Board Meeting @ 6PM
- **September 10 & 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

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