

CARMEL USD BOARD BRIEFS

SPOTLIGHTING INFORMATION FROM AND ACTIONS OF THE CARMEL UNIFIED BOARD OF EDUCATION

Meeting of October 27, 2021

Recognitions

• Thank you to our Captain Cooper Elementary School students Gio Bueno, Hazel Tischio, and Aron Lomeli Perez who led the Pledge of Allegiance to begin the meeting.



Consent Items - Board unanimously approved the Consent Calendar Items (4, 0, 1 absent)

- The Board accepted donations: The Board and the District wish to acknowledge and thank the following individuals for their generous donations to CUSD:
 - Jason Fosler and Steven Russell for two pieces of artwork for the CHS Wellness Center
 - Elvin Mariani for an inoperative 2007 Ford Taurus for CHS automotive classes
 - Joy Smith for the Cremona String Bass, Bow, Stand and Case for the CHS Orchestra
- The Board approved 2021-22 School Plans for Student Achievement (SPSA): Each year, schools develop a school plan that aligns with the district's Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP). The LCAP is developed in collaboration with stakeholders and the individual school plans are a product of that collaboration on the site level. These aligned plans are brought to the board for approval each year. The Board approved SPSA's for River, Tularcitos, Carmel Middle, Carmel Valley High and Carmel High. Captain Cooper's SPSA was approved during a previous meeting to align with federal funding requirements.

Actions

- The Board approved the ESSER III Expenditure Plan: The Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER III) funding provides districts with emergency relief funds to address the impact of COVID-19 on elementary and secondary schools across the nation. This plan details actions the district will take to keep schools open for in-person learning, and the student supports it will implement in conjunction with our Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) and Expanded Learning Opportunities Grant (ELO) plan priorities. CUSD is receiving \$2,416,835 in federal dollars to implement strategies for continuous and safe in-person learning, and to address the impact of lost instructional time.
 - \$ 1.7 million is dedicated to COVID Mitigation Strategies

- \$704,402 is dedicated for mental health supports to address impact of school closures on students
- Stakeholder Input and Feedback: There was a 90% satisfaction rate with our planned strategies for ESSER III funding from the ESSER III survey sent to students, staff members and parents/guardians. We thank all respondents for their thoughtful input and feedback.
- The Board adopted Resolution #21-32 Contributing Funds to the Carmel Public Library Foundation: CUSD partners with the Carmel Public Library Foundation to organize and produce an annual Parent Lecture Series which offers resources relevant to the mission and goals of both the Library Foundation and the District. This action approved an amount not to exceed \$4,000 toward the partnership.
- The Board adopted Resolution #21-33 Transfer of Funds and approved the purchase of three buses: CUSD will purchase three transit style (84 passenger) buses to expand fleet in preparation for late start and to replace existing 1996 model year buses. Each bus will be purchased at the cost of \$181,344.05 per bus, for a total amount of \$544,032.16.

The next Meeting of the Carmel Unified Board of Education will be held on Wednesday, November 17, 2021 at the Carmel Middle School Gym.