

RESCUE UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

SUPERINTENDENT'S NEWSLETTER February, 2019

Upcoming Events:

Our annual International Festival is Friday, February 8, from 5:30-7:30 pm for the ENTIRE district. This year it is at Marina Village! Be sure to come! Incredible entertainment from around the world, booths, food to try from other countries, food trucks, and many other exciting things will be part of this evening. Hope to see you there.

Our next Parent Advisory Committee meeting for the LCAP is 2/11 from 6-7:30. Join us!

Dear Rescue Union School District Families,

I trust you are staying warm and dry during this blustery storm we are having. I know we need the rain, but it certainly is cold and wet!

This has been a very busy winter. Our kindergarten classes across the district have celebrated the very exciting and important 100th day of school, full of MANY activities and learning opportunities about what the number 100 is all about! Our amazing music program at Pleasant Grove just competed and performed in Disneyland, and came back with top honors once again! The equally amazing Marina Village music program will be going down in the near future as well, and I know they will come back just as successful. Shaun Manley and Ben Cain are fabulous band teachers. We are so blessed to have them AND to have Mila Olson who leads our elementary band program that feeds into the middle school programs! Note the other upcoming events we hope to see you participate in on this letter! Always so much going on in our district.

Be sure to ask your child's principal about what is going on with PBIS. This stands for Positive Behavior Intervention Supports. This is a district wide initiative. Each site has a team being trained. They come back to lead the entire staff through a process to determine common language around goals, expectations in each area of the campus, as well as fun skits, chants, songs, and incentives for appropriate, positive behavior. We are very excited and our trainers are extremely impressed with all we have accomplished so far this year. It is making a positive difference.

We know in the Digital Age we are in it is sometimes very difficult to manage our children's use of technology, continue maintaining and strengthening our relationships with our kiddos the older they get, and we sometimes worry about their well-being and mental health. In order to give us some strategies and tools to use with our children as they grow up in this age, four of our schools are sponsoring VERY important evening for parents. Jackson, Lakeview, Lake Forest, and Marina Village want to welcome and encourage **EVERY parent in our district** to attend this amazing opportunity to be held at **Marina Village**, **Thursday, March 7, 2019 from 6:00-8:00 pm.** A very well-known non-profit organization, WELLNESS TOGETHER, is coming to provide strategies on how to connect and thrive in a digital age, give new techniques for effective communication, share how to increase our positive daily interactions with our kids, and how to recognize and respond to warning signs of self-harm and suicide, to name a few. We hope to see you there. Watch for RSVP information from your parent club!

"Children are our most valuable resource."

Albert Einstein



In honor of George Washington and Abraham Lincoln, there is no school Friday, Feb. 15 and Monday, Feb. 18.

"Don't try to be perfect. Life isn't; no one is. Use mistakes as opportunities to grow tolerance and to teach. There is such a thing as happy accidents. Love, love, love, and listen, listen, listen to our kiddos." Teri Hatcher