



# SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATE

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★ The New Year is well under way and school has resumed its rush. We are over one-half of the way through the year, the seniors are anxious to get to graduation, and freshmen, sophomores, and juniors envision the next year, and the prestige of being a year older. With high stakes testing about to begin, and the need for our seniors to pass the California High School Exit Exam in order to receive a diploma in June, the Instructional Services division has invited administrators, Board members, teachers, and classified employees to participate in this discussion with the intent of presenting a recommended policy to the Board of Education. Following are a few items from our other divisions:

- **Operations:** Appointments have been made to visit each school site to discuss and review Measure G projects.
- **Business:** Secretaries and Accounting Technicians have been invited to attend an informational meeting on February 13, 2006 from 9 a.m.–12 p.m., regarding business office procedures.
- **Safety:** Student conflict mediation sessions have been sponsored at Oak Grove and Independence, with future sessions being planned for Mt. Pleasant, James Lick and Evergreen Valley High. The sessions held thus far are promoting a student voice and a positive school climate.
- **Human Resources:** Discussions are being held to promote a recruitment plan for teachers, administrators and classified employees that allows for a timely hiring process.

★ **Kathryn Davis**

Congratulations to **Kathryn Davis** on being named “California League of High Schools Teacher of the Year.” Kathryn is to be commended for her countless hours in ensuring that her AP Biology students were prepared to pass the AP Exam. Congratulations for a job well done!

★ **Adelaido Solis**

Congratulations to **Adelaido Solis** for being honored as *Coach* by the *Central Coast Section*. **Adelaido Solis**, math teacher at *Yerba Buena High School*, has coached in the District’s soccer program for past twelve years. The first three years he coached the Varsity Girl’s Soccer team. He is currently in his ninth season coaching the Varsity Boy’s Soccer team. He has taken the boy’s team to two league championships and three *Central Coast Section* playoff appearances. This year, the team won the *Lovato Cup*. Mr. Solis has developed a strong program by instilling discipline in his players both on the field and off the field and is always a role model for his players when it comes to competitiveness and sportsmanship. For these reason and many more the Central Coast Section (CCS) recognized **Adelaido Solis** with the *Coach’s Honor Award* at their *Board of Managers* meeting on January 26. Congratulations for a job well done!

★ **Oak Grove High School Marching Band and Color Guard - International Recognition**

Congratulations to the **Oak Grove High School Marching Band and Color Guard** on their *International Recognition*. They performed in Madrid at the *Three Kings Parade*, which had over two million in attendance. They are the first American group and band to ever perform in *Madrid’s Three Kings Parade*.

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They also performed in the *London Parade*, which was viewed by two million people. Congratulations for a job well done!

★ **John Najac**

**John Najac** has been assigned as the permanent *Associate Principal of Educational Development (APED)* at *Independence High School*. John is to be commended for his willingness to embrace the academic challenges at Independence. He comes to Independence with a wealth of knowledge and experiences.

★ **2006 State of the District & Board President's Awards Ceremony**

Join the *East Side Union High School District* as **Board President J. Manuel Herrera** recognizes excellence and articulates a vision for 2006 on *February 16, 2006*, at *4:00 p.m.* in the *Education Center Board Room*. A reception will follow the ceremony.

Finally, it is with a great deal of pleasure and pride that I inform you that at the Board meeting of February 9, 2006 I was appointed as *Superintendent* of the *East Side Union High School District*. I gave thanks to the Board and audience last night. I would like to close with the following quote from Theodore Roosevelt, "*Far and away the best prize that life has to offer is the chance to work hard at work worth doing.*"

*Sincerely,*

**Bob Nuñez, Superintendent**