# STAFF NEWSLETTER

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**District PD Day** October18, 2021

MTSS Focused Day of professional learning featuring Kristen Miller and the "With Heart Project"





### Superintendent's Message

It has been well over a year since our last staff newsletter which was replaced with a ton of Reopening Plan communications, Parent Square messages, emails, and allstaff Zoom meetings. With things mostly normal or normalizing, I really want to get back to this format to get general and relevant information out to all staff. There is still a lot going on with the pandemic and changes still occur pretty regularly with guidance, so in many instances there will be things that cannot wait for the newsletter. In



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those situations, expect an email or Parent Square notification. Also, if you haven't done so already, add the parent square app to your phone to make things easier for yourself later with communication. Despite all of the guidance and the number of projects happening our campuses, the start to this year has been strong and rewarding. Our students appreciate being back and so do I!

### State Public Health Order Requiring All School Employees to be Vaccinated or Test Weekly

As many of you are already aware, the state released a Public Health Order/Mandate that all school employees must either show proof of vaccination status or undergo weekly COVID-19 testing. HJUHSD is working to meet this requirement by the October 15, 2021 deadline. As a district, we are hiring an additional Licensed Vocational Nurse to conduct testing at each of the comprehensive sites. Testing does not require a nurse, so depending on how long it takes to recruit and hire another nurse, you may be seeing district administration conducting the testing at each school. There will be more to come on this in coming weeks by email, but the process is pretty simple. If you are not vaccinated and are required to test weekly, you will just complete the online registration form, go to a site during the testing window timeframe, and complete the test. The process if pretty quick.

The vast majority of our staff has already vaccinated, so we do not expect many tests, however, in the summer when we asked staff to either upload their vaccine cards, or self-attest that they had been vaccinated, many used the attestation option because it was easier than the upload. Well, that is not enough anymore for this mandate. If you self-attested, you must now go onto the survey and actually upload an image or your vaccine card, state SMART Health Card Vaccine Record, or other document verifying your vaccination.

Again, more information will be coming soon, but the current testing plan is as follows:

Wednesdays	Thursdays	Fridays
Hanford High School	Hanford West High School	Sierra Pacific High School
1:30 - 4:00PM	1:30 - 4:00PM	1:30 - 4:00PM

## Biometric Health Screenings

Once again, HJUHSD will hold the annual biometric health screening for our employees who are covered by the district medical insurance. These health screenings include testing for cardiovascular disease, diabetes, liver and kidney disease. The screenings are free to our covered employees, their spouses, and dependent children over age 18.

This year, employees and their spouses who register online to participate will receive a \$50.00 gift card (Amazon or Target, your choice) at the time of their screening. Dependent children who participate are not eligible for the \$50.00 incentive.

The dates of the screenings are as follows:

Tuesday, 10/5/2021 - Sierra Pacific HS, 1259 N. 13th Ave, Hanford Wednesday, 10/6/2021 - Hanford West HS, 1150 W Lacey Blvd, Hanford Thursday, 10/7/2021 - Hanford High School, 120 E Grangeville Blvd, Hanford Friday, 10/8/2021 - District office, 823 W Lacey Blvd, Hanford Wednesday, 10/13/2021 - District Office, 823 W. Lacey Blvd, Hanford

To schedule an appointment for the 2021 HJUHSD Wellness Screenings please go to: www.wellnessiqsystems.com

need to create an account. Once they click on the link above, they will click "Sign

If individuals have participated in the screening in the last two years, they do not

If someone is getting a screening done for the first time and they need an account, they will need to click on "Register". The next screen will ask them for basic personal information as well as a client code. The client code is: HJUHSD

If everyone can please complete a Personal Wellness Assessment online prior to

the screening day, that will make the day of the event, as well as the administrative process, significantly faster. This can be done by logging into their portal account and then selecting "Complete Personal Wellness Assessment". Contact Sheri Salazar if you have any questions.

\$50 Luncheon Only

Bourbon Tasting Included!

Call Victor Rosa (559) 217-3112 for more details!



The Walker Tracker Challenge, is on from September 1st - October 31st. It is not too late to get started. Look for the email from Sheri Salazar to see registration details. This year's theme is "Get Energized along the PCH," which has us virtually walking our way along the coast from Seattle to San Diego. There are lots of us in the mix so, join in and have some fun.

#### The Hanford Education Foundation finally gets to host it's signature event on September 25th, at the HJUHSD Ag Farm. The foundation is rebuilding and fundraising to support student scholarships, projects, and programs

Tickets are still available for the Bourbon Trail Luncheon

that benefit HJUHSD students and staff. This is going to be a great and fun way to support our efforts and build the foundation to the level our district and community deserves. Don't miss out! Tickets are available at the district office, but you can contact vrosa@hjuhsd.org to hold some for you. For more information visit the event website. Any school club or team can supply a raffle item valued at \$100 or more. That club will get back 50% of all ticket proceeds that raffle item generates! We can still sneak in a few horseshoe players too, but that deadline to register for staff is Monday, the 6th. Click this <u>link to register</u> to play in the tournament. You do not have to be good. It is all for fun.



Live Music

Ice Cold Beer

21 and Over Only