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San Dieguito Union High School District Special Education Newsletter

SDUHSD INCLUSION BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT WRITTEN BY: CARADEHAAN

San Dieguito Union High School District's 13th Annual Inclusion Sports League Basketball Tournament was held on Thursday, November 15th at La Costa Canyon High School. The tournament was organized by Adapted Physical Education teacher and coach, Kasey Galik. Ms. Galik teaches at La Costa Canyon High School as well as Oak Crest and Diegueno Middle Schools. The Inclusion Basketball Tournament is open to students in

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Adapted PE programs across the district. The goal of the day is for students in the program to put their skills learned into game situations in a fun, safe and non-competitive environment. The tournament kicked off with opening ceremonies and introductions, followed by a fantastic group dance choreographed by Ms. Galik and performed by all district Adapted PE students and their peer buddies. The athletes, turned dancers,



were cheered on by bleachers full of La Costa Canyon High School students and staff, as well as parents who came to support their Adapted PE athletes. The pre-game performance dance set the stage for an exciting and energy filled tournament.

The kick off game was played between Torrey Pines and La Costa Canyon High Schools with students showing off their basketball skills

and athleticism on the court. The back and forth made for an exciting opening game. Each basket was celebrated with loud cheers from the crowd. Match ups between Oak Crest, Diegueno, Carmel Valley and Pacific Trails Middle Schools were also exciting games with all students participating.

Closing ceremonies followed the games with special recognition going to senior Adapted PE students who played in their last Inclusion Basketball Tournament. Seniors received a red rose, a medal and an individualized recognition after being escorted across the gym floor by parents and staff. Each school site was then announced, with individual Adapted PE students being recognized and receiving a participation certificate and free meal from Habit Burger Grill as well as a medal.

STAFF Spotlight

LIZ MARSHALL

What is your role within the District as the Sped Department Coordinator, Department Chair Person, and Education Specialist?

As the SPED District Coordinator, I represent the other SPED department chairs at the Coordinating Council meeting. I also facilitate/organize the inservice and PD days. Additionally, I serve on interview panels when selecting new members of our team.

As Department Chair Person, I represent the site special educators. I attend the monthly department chair meetings and relay the information back to my department. I also facilitate meetings within our department.



And many, many other responsibilities.

And as an Education Specialist, I do a little bit of everything! I am currently co-teaching English 9 & 11 and teaching two academic support classes. The best part



about being an Education Specialist is that I get to work with every department and every teacher. Never a dull moment!

Tell us the proudest moment within your career?

There have many proud moments in my career. One I remember was when a student that had graduated 5 years earlier contacted me to write a letter of recommendation because he was applying for law school. When others hadn't believed in him, he knew I had.

Why did you choose to go into education?

I didn't start in education until I was in my 30s. I think it took me a while to find "my calling" but when I finally did I knew I was in the right place.

Tell us one thing that people may not know about you? I think everyone knows everything about me. I talk a lot!

STRATEGIC PLAN ADVISORY FORUM PARENT REPRESENTATIVES

Canyon Crest Academy: Jamie Dicken

Carmel Valley Middle School: Patty Tobin

Digueno Middle School: Stacy Prida

Earl Warren Middle School: Diane Barnes

La Costa Canyon High School: Amy Flicker

Oak Crest Middle School: Cara DeHaan

Pacific Trails Middle School: Michelle Lanfried

San Dieguito Academy: Betsy Charapp

Torrey Pines High School: Shankar Sundaram

Adult Transition Program: Lori Razink

Sunset: TBD if interested please contact Rick Ayala

WHO TO CONTACT ??



As a parent, when you have 14 school districts in North San a question or concern regarding your student's IEP, classes or education, the District understands it can feel difficult to navigate the system. The diagram to the left indicates supports available within San **Dieguito.** Please work directly with staff members 1 - 4, in the order listed, at your school site to get support for your student. Please also be aware of staff members 5 - 9 whom are available to provide support to site staff in the service of all students.

NCCSE UPCOMING

The North Coastal Consortium for Special Education (NCCSE) is a Special Education Local Planning Area (SELPA) that is composed of

Diego County

JANUARY 23RD

JANUARY 28TH

Parenting the Love and

FEBRUARY 1ST

The ABC's of IEP's

Parent Event: Recreational **Resource Fair**

MARCH16TH

Support and education options available when students exit

For more information visit the NCCSE website. http://nccse.org

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INFORMATION REGARING OPEN ENROLLMENT

School of choice window opens on February 14, 2019 and closes on March 1, 2019.

High School Information Nights

Site	Date	Time
ССА	Feb. 11, 2019	6:00 pm
LCC	Feb. 7, 2019	5:30 pm
SDA	Feb. 12, 2019	5:30 pm
трнѕ	Feb. 5, 2019	5:00 pm

