

**Friday Memo  
October 7, 2016**

**Upcoming Events – Matthew Duffy**

October 8: VAPA Kickoff Event, Korematsu, 8:30 – 12:00  
October 10: In-Service Training Day, Schools and Offices Closed  
October 11: Agenda Setting, Superintendent's Office, 3:30 PM  
October 11: Richmond Promise Telephone Townhall, Chevron Tech Center  
October 13: Cash for College Night, Hercules High, 6:00 PM  
October 13: Board Candidate Forum, Pinole Middle, 6:30 PM  
October 15: 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Parents as Partners Conference, DeJean, 9:00 – 2:30  
October 16: Young Scholars Program-Help A Brother Go 2 College Day, DeAnza, 2:30 PM

**Agenda Setting – Matt Duffy**

Agenda setting for the October 19 agenda will take place on Tuesday, October 11 due to Classified Training Day on Monday.

**Proposition 55 on the November 2016 Ballot – Sheri Gamba**

Members of the Board, staff and community members have inquired as to how the passage of Proposition 55 would help the District. I have enclosed two articles to help explain how Proposition 55 is viewed by School Services of California.

**WCCUSD Solar Power Project - Lisa LeBlanc**

The first phase of the WCCSUD solar project will begin construction at the following sites: Hanna Ranch, Montalvin, Stewart and Crespi in late October 2016. The total project time for all sites is expected to be 6-9 weeks. Solar panels will be installed to provide student shade areas at Montalvin, and parking lot shade areas at Hanna Ranch, Stewart and Crespi. Sites with parking lot solar panels may affect onsite parking so the District has developed alternative parking plans and will notify staff and adjacent neighbors of the upcoming construction projects.

**Public Records Log – Marcus Walton**

Included in this week's memo is the log of public records requests received by the district. If you have any questions, please contact me.

**Weekly Update from the Superintendent – Matthew Duffy  
Week of October 3rd**

**Major Activities:**

Visiting schools  
Cabinet Meeting at Dover  
Weekly 1:1 meeting with each Exec. Cabinet member (6 meetings @ 30-90 minutes each)  
Board Agenda Prep and Board Meeting and Board Debrief  
Coaching Don Iglesias  
Parcel tax prep (non-work hours)  
Prep and deliver State of the Schools breakfast

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Prep for Phone Call Town Hall with Chevron regarding Richmond Promise  
Principal's Meeting-Lead Personalized Learning group at Stewart  
Review work to date on HS Caliber petition  
Ron Beller on next steps for Caliber long-term facility

**Get to know you meetings with staff and partners:**

Matt Rodriguez, City Manager San Pablo  
Joel Mackey, Ed Fund  
Tom Sayer, Google  
Laurie Roberts-Tech TOSA  
Cristin Quealy, Jill Vialet-Substantial (Sub training organization)

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## **Proposition 55: What is Known and What Isn't**

All of us at School Services of California, Inc., strive for precision in our descriptions of various legislative and budget outcomes, but sometimes the details get in the way of the main message. Such is the case with explanations of the benefits of Proposition 55, an initiative that would extend the current temporary income taxes through 2030 instead of allowing them to expire at the end of 2018.

We know that over that long period an additional \$4 billion to \$9 billion per year in state revenues will benefit Proposition 98 and will serve to elevate revenues for schools above where they would be without extension of the taxes. Proposition 55 is a good thing for public education over the long haul.

We continue to get questions about things no one can know at this point, like, “How much more will my district get in 2019 if the taxes are extended?” Or, “Will the extension guarantee that in every year, under a wide variety of economic circumstances, Proposition 98 will increase?” The answers to these questions are a bit elusive given the vagaries of the economy and the fact that Local Control Funding Formula funding is determined by the Legislature each year based upon facts that are specific to that year. However, just as we cannot be precise about how many years will be added to your life if you stop smoking, the benefits of Proposition 55, while not precisely specified year by year, are real and have the potential to dramatically improve funding for schools for years to come.

Our main message here is that Proposition 55 is a good thing for schools, we urge readers not to allow the leaves to block the view of the forest; the green in those trees is from the dollars education will receive if Proposition 55 passes.

*—Ron Bennett, Robert Miyashiro, and John Gray*

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## **What Happens if Proposition 55 Passes?**

Proposition 30, enacted by state voters in 2012, established a temporary boost to the state sales tax and higher tax rates for high-income earners. The 0.25 cent increase in the sales tax is set to expire at the end of this calendar year, and the high bracket income tax rates expire at the end of 2018. The measure has generated approximately \$8 billion annually of additional revenue to the state General Fund, with a portion of that increase going to schools through growth in the Proposition 98 minimum funding guarantee.

Proposition 55 will appear on the November General Election ballot and, if approved by state voters, will extend the high bracket income tax rates for an additional 12 years, through 2030. The 0.25 cent sales tax increment, however, will expire as originally planned.

What happens to school funding if voters approve Proposition 55? Before answering this question, it is important to remember that the revenue forecast upon which the current year budget is based assumes that the temporary taxes expire. In addition, the Governor's Department of Finance's (DOF's) forecasts for General Fund revenues, Proposition 98 funding, and Local Control Funding Formula allocations also assume expiration of these higher tax rates. Therefore, if Proposition 55 passes, state revenues will be higher than currently forecast commencing in fiscal year 2018-19.

The high-bracket income tax could generate from \$4 billion to \$9 billion in additional state revenue, according to the Legislative Analyst's Office. The wide range of this estimate is due to (1) the small number of individuals that will pay the higher tax rate, which is estimated at about 1.5% of all taxpayers; (2) the difficulty in predicting taxpayer behavior (i.e., their decisions to take capital gains and losses in a given year); and (3) the volatility of the stock market, the real estate market, and other capital assets.

Nevertheless, if we assume that the passage of Proposition 55 will generate about \$8 billion annually, the first year effect for schools will be 2018-19, with fiscal year revenues being boosted in the second half of the year above the DOF's baseline forecast. About 50% of each new dollar accrues to K-12 education and community colleges under Proposition 98; therefore, all else being equal, the first year impact of Proposition 55 could yield about \$2 billion for K-14 education (i.e., 50% of the half-year revenue collection of \$8 billion).

In the following year, the state will experience the full-year effect of Proposition 55, with Proposition 98 dedicating about \$4 billion of the \$8 billion in new revenue to K-14 education. K-12 schools' share of this amount is about 90%, or \$3.6 billion, and community colleges' share is about 10%, or \$400 million. On a per-pupil basis, therefore, K-12 schools should see a boost in funding of about \$600 per average daily attendance at full implementation.

Unfortunately, because nothing is ever simple when it comes to California school finance, the actual amount received will depend upon which Proposition 98 test we're on in a given year. For example, in a Test 2 year in which funding is determined by the change in per capita personal income—rather than the change in General Fund revenues, which occurs under Test 3, or the share of General Fund revenues under Test 1—Proposition 55 revenues would not directly affect funding for K-12 schools or the community colleges.

Over the long run, however, we believe that it is clear that public education will be significantly better off with the passage of Proposition 55, and we hope state voters recognize this fact.

*—Robert Miyashiro and Michael Ricketts*

posted 09/14/2016

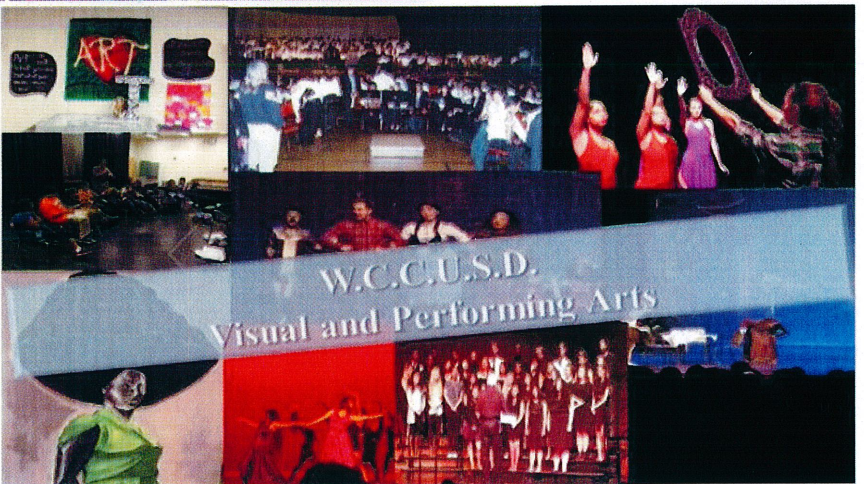
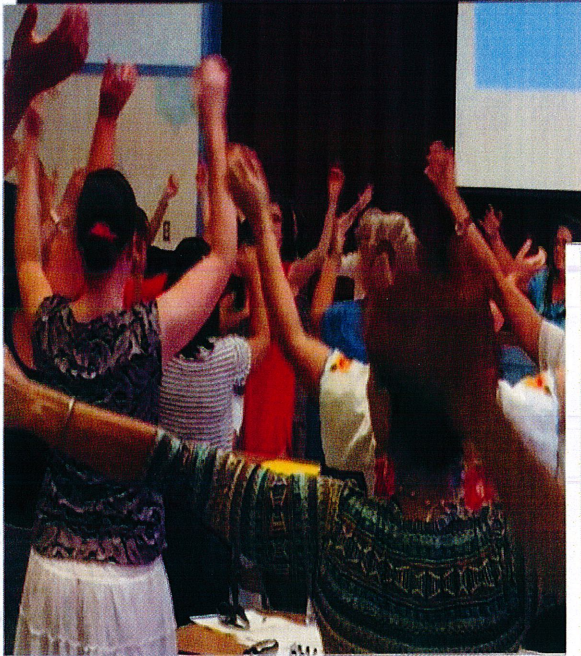


# VAPA 2016-2017 Kickoff Event

**Korematsu Middle  
School**

**8:30 - 12 Noon**

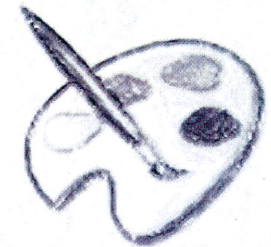
**October 8, 2016**



## **Presenters:**

- \* **East Bay Center for Performing Arts**
- \* **Alameda County Office of Education - ILSP Program**
- \* **RYSE Center**
- \* **Richmond Art Center**

**Join us for an Inspirational day!**



8:30 AM - Continental Breakfast - Sign in

9:00 AM - Key note : Molly and Donte of the RYSE Center

9:30 - Curriculum Slam : Elementary and Secondary lessons highlighted

10:00 - Concurrent Workshops

K-2: East Bay Center for Performing Arts

3th-4th Richmond Art Center

5th-6th: ACOE/ ILSP - Integrated Learning Specialist Program

9th-12th: Departmental Planning

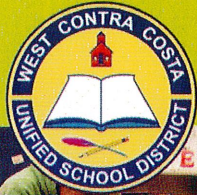
11:10: Intro to the VAPA Plan

11:30 - Intro to the Integrated Learning Specialist program through the Alameda County Office of Education

12:00 - Sign out

Teachers will be paid at the Hourly Rate for up to 3 hours.

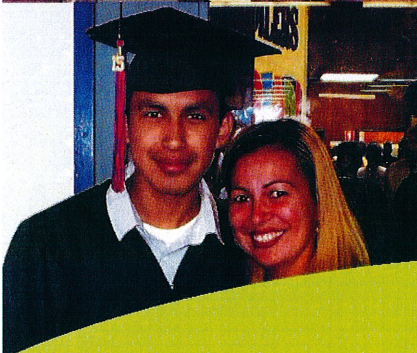
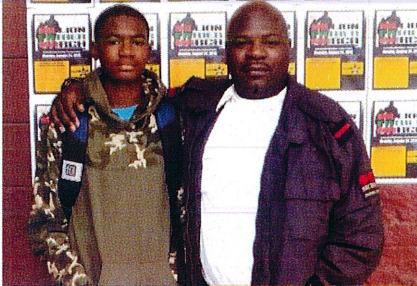
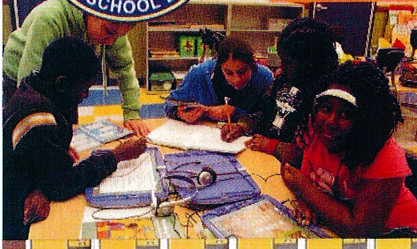




You are invited to  
West Contra Costa Unified School District's

# 11th Annual Parents as Partners and Leaders Conference

Join us and learn effective ways to help your child achieve!



**Saturday October 15, 2016**

9:00 am - 2:30 pm

DeJean Middle School

3400 Macdonald Avenue Richmond, CA

Free childcare | Breakfast & Snacks Included

OVER 25 DIFFERENT WORKSHOPS  
&  
COMMUNITY RESOURCE FAIR

REGISTER TODAY — 510-307-4526

**Raffle Prize!!**

### Workshop Topics Include:

- Getting ready for college
- Special Education Process
- Preventing gang involvement
- How to prevent bullying
- How to support learning at home
- How to help your child with math
- Keeping your child safe using the internet

**AND MUCH MORE!**



**Public Records Request Log 2016 - 2017**  
**Week Ending October 6, 2016**

	<b>Date of Receipt</b>	<b>Requestor</b>	<b>Requested Records/Information</b>	<b>Current Status</b>
1	7/1/16	Micha Star Liberty Liberty Law	Billing records for Attorney services defending any Sexual Assault, Harassment and/or Abuse Claims filed against the District / Claims filed against District / Beginning September 30, 2013 to present	10/5/16 Letter sent via email <b>COMPLETED</b>
6	7/25/16	Leisa Johnson	Contracts, Proposals and Payments between WCCUSD and Interactive Resources, Tom Butt or Any Employee working for Interactive Resources	<b>9/21/16 Letter of Extension emailed</b>  <b>10/31/16 Response due</b>
10	8/5/16	Nicole Williams	WCCUSD Contract with African American Male Pipeline Project / Data	8/23/16 Contract mailed <b>10/7/16 Additional data to be received</b>
11	8/5/16	Nicole Williams	WCCUSD Contract with African American Support Collaborative / Data	8/23/16 Contract mailed <b>10/7/16 Additional data to be received</b>
27	9/7/15	Nicole Williams	Approved Contracts for 2016-17 with Service Providers for African American Students at all School Sites / Data and Curriculum	10/3/16 Contracts mailed No 2016-2017 Data to date <b>COMPLETED</b>
29	9/14/16	Matt Cagle American Civil Liberties Union	Surveillance Technology and Digital Searches beginning January 1, 2013 – Present	9/23/16 Acknowledgement / Extension letter mailed  <b>Response due on 10/7/2016</b>
30	9/20/16	Jacqueline Sessa Onvia, Inc.	WCCUSD Active Contracts Listing	<b>Gathering Records</b>
31	9/21/16	Mike Cunningham	Site drawing of temporary Kensington Campus / Portola lower field area	10/3/16 Site drawing sent via email <b>COMPLETED</b>
32	9/29/16	Mary Selva Richmond Annex Neighborhood	Number of Annex students attending El Cerrito and Korematsu Middle School	<b>Acknowledgement email sent</b>
33	10/5/16	Richard Dobbert	Purchasing history of Playground Fiber (Bark) for Calendar year 2014, 2015 and 2016	<b>Acknowledgement email sent</b>
<b>Public Records Request Log / Ongoing 2015 – 2016</b>				
116	6/17/16	Don Driscoll Driscoll & Omens	CAL200 v. SFUSD Settlement Documents, Agreements and/or Reports	<b>Gathering / Reviewing Documents</b>