

West Contra Costa Unified School District  
*Office of the Superintendent*

**Friday Memo**  
**March 9, 2018**

**Upcoming Events – Matthew Duffy**

- March 10: Annual District Spelling Bee, DeAnza, 9:00 AM
- March 13: Solutions Team, UTR Office, 1:00 PM
- March 13: Right to Special Education Services Workshop, Pupil Services Center, 5:30 PM
- March 13: Academic Committee, DeAnza, 5:30 PM
- March 14: Agenda Setting, Superintendent's Office, 5:00 PM
- March 14: Joint Board / CBOC Meeting, FOC, 6:30 PM
- March 15: You Make A Difference Ceremony, DeJean, 7:00 PM
- March 19: Youth Commission & LCAP, Helms, 6:30 PM
- March 21: Board Meeting, DeJean, 6:30 PM
- March 28: Board Study Session, DeJean, 6:30 PM

**Next Week's Board Meetings – Matthew Duffy**

**Special Recognition**

Steve Collins - Assistant Superintendent, Special Education

**Administrators**

Nia Rashidchi - Associate

**Related Services Providers**

Amee Evangelista-Marcayda – Speech Language Pathologist  
Jacquelyn Meinen – School Psychologist

**Support Staff**

Brittany Garza - Classroom Support Aide – Korematsu Middle School  
Karina Rangel - Classroom Support Aide – Hanna Ranch Elementary  
Jackie Davis – Behavior Technician – Tara Hills Elementary

**Community**

Maddie Yuen – Past Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) President, Hercules Middle/High School

**Brian Rufford Memorial Award**

Sunny Ma - First Student Driver  
Yamileth Lechado Sanchez – First Student Driver

**Special Olympics Schools Partnership Program – Steve Collins**

The Special Olympics Northern California Schools Partnership Program is a unique education program providing opportunities in schools for all students, from preschool to transition. It unifies students with and without disabilities through Sports and Whole-School Involvement activities that provide them with the knowledge, experience, and skills necessary to create and sustain school communities that promote inclusion, acceptance, and respect for all students. Currently, approximately 10, 828 special education students and 57, 301 general education students participate in the program, at 447 schools in Northern California.

**Sports**

Unified Sports: Combines students with and without disabilities on sports teams for training and competition.

Traditional Special Olympics Sports: Students with disabilities (IEP or 504 plan) train and compete against each other. Team sports and individual skills events are offered.

Young Athletes Program: Preschool through 1st grade students participate in a single-day introduction to sports and Special Olympics. The program focuses on the basics that are crucial to cognitive development: physical activities that develop motor skills and hand-eye coordination, and the application of these physical skills through sports skills and programs. In addition, the Young Athletes Program offers children with intellectual disabilities and their peers, opportunities for meaningful interaction that leads to future relationships of mutual respect, friendship, and inclusion.

**Whole-School Involvement**

A youth-centered, school-focused initiative that uses the Special Olympics sports and education program to activate all students, engage educators, involve the entire school, and promote a campus culture of acceptance and social inclusion where all young people are agents of change. Tuesday, February 13th at Washington Elementary School -- Youth Summit. "Students met and discussed topics that would educate, motivate, and activate them. Discussion topics included:



**Public Records Request Log 2017 - 2018**  
**Week Ending March 8, 2018**

	<b>Date of Receipt</b>	<b>Requestor</b>	<b>Requested Records/Information</b>	<b>Current Status</b>
40	1/2/18	Ann Surapruik Bay Area Legal Aid	WCCUSD Applicant and Application Processes and Leases/Contracts with the City of Richmond	2/12/18