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Our goal, as the Board of Trustees in the Little Lake City School District, is to provide our students with a quality education that ensures their success.

Nuestro objetivo, como Consejo Directivo del Distrito Escolar de Little Lake, es proporcionar a nuestros estudiantes una educación de calidad que garantice su éxito.



Janet Rock
President

Janet Rock, board president, served as an instructional specialist in two school districts. She believes that all students can learn. Her four adult children are LLCSD life-long learners.

Janet Rock, presidente del consejo, sirvió como especialista de enseñanza en dos distritos escolares. Ella cree que todos los estudiantes pueden aprender. Sus cuatro hijos adultos son aprendices de por vida de LLCSD.



Richard Martinez
Vice President

Richard Martinez, board vice president, is a retired customer service supervisor for the Southern California Gas Company. He is very involved in monitoring our district's budget. He has a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration.

Richard Martínez, vicepresidente del consejo, fue supervisor de servicio al cliente de para la Compañía de Gas del Sur de California. Él está muy involucrado en el seguimiento del presupuesto de nuestro distrito. Tiene una licenciatura en Administración de Empresas.



George Buchanan
Clerk

George Buchanan, board clerk, has a Bachelor's degree in political science and a Master's degree in Public Administration. He works for the City of Norwalk in the Social Service Department, Senior Center.

George Buchanan tiene una licenciatura en Ciencias Políticas y una Maestría en Administración Pública. Trabaja para la Ciudad de Norwalk en el Departamento de Servicios Sociales, Centro para Adultos Mayores.



Dora Sandoval
Member

Dora Sandoval is serving her first term on the Little Lake City School District Board of Education. In addition to her participation in the school district, Mrs. Sandoval's civic contributions include service on various clubs and organizations in both the City Santa Fe Springs and Norwalk.

Dora Sandoval está cumpliendo su primer año en el Consejo Educativo del Distrito Escolar de Little Lake. Además de su participación en el distrito escolar, las contribuciones civiles de la Sra. Sandoval incluyen la participación en varios grupos y organizaciones, tanto en la Ciudad de Santa Fe Springs y en Norwalk.



Hilda Zamora
Member

Hilda Zamora supports all students, especially Special Education and Limited English students. She is active in the Little Lake Educational Advancement Foundation. She also serves on several city committees.

Hilda Zamora apoya a todos los alumnos, especialmente a los estudiantes de Educación Especial y los estudiantes con Dominio Limitado del Inglés. Ella es activa en la Fundación Little Lake para el Avance Educativo. También es miembro de varios comités de la ciudad.

SUPERINTENDENT

Dear LLCSD Community,
On behalf of the Board of Education, our staff and myself, I want to welcome everyone to the 2016-2017 school year. I am honored to serve as the new Superintendent of the Little Lake City School District and look forward to working with all of you throughout the year. As the Superintendent, I am committed to the success and safety of every child and will be actively involved and visible with our schools and community. During my nine years here as Principal of both Lakeview and Lake Center, I have come to truly appreciate and respect all aspects of this district and the



Dr. Bill Crean

Estimada Comunidad de LLCSD,

En nombre del Consejo Educativo, nuestro personal y en mi nombre, quiero dar la bienvenida a todos al año escolar 2016-2017. Tengo el honor de servir como el nuevo Superintendente del

Distrito Escolar de Little Lake City y espero con interés poder trabajar con ustedes a lo largo de todo el año. Como Superintendente, estoy comprometido con el éxito y la seguridad de todos los niños y estaré activamente involucrado y presente en nuestras escuelas y nuestra comunidad. Durante mis nueve años aquí como Director, tanto de Lakeview como de Lake Center, he

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District Highlights

By Dr. Bill Crean, Superintendent

In this first issue of *School News* for the new school year, I am proud to share with members of our community some of the district's highlights from the 2016-2017 school year.

Last year was another award winning year for schools in the Little Lake City School District. All seven elementary schools—Cresson, Jersey Avenue, Lakeland, Lakeview, Paddison, Studebaker and William Orr – earned the Gold Ribbon Award from the California Department of Education. Temporarily replacing the California Distinguished School Award, the

Destacados del Distrito

En esta primera edición de Noticias Escolares para el nuevo año escolar, me siento orgulloso de compartir con los miembros de nuestra comunidad algunos de los puntos destacados del distrito en el año escolar 2016-2017.

El año pasado fue un año de ganar premios para las escuelas del Distrito Escolar de Little Lake. Nuestras siete escuelas primarias - Cresson, Jersey Ave, Lakeland, Lakeview, Paddison, Studebaker y William Orr – ganaron el Premio Listón de Oro del Departamento de Educación de California. Sustituyendo

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Welcome back to another school year. New beginnings are always exciting and particularly for students. It is a time of anticipation of seeing old friends, making new friends, meeting teachers, learning where the classrooms are and getting used to a schedule after summer break. Thank you for including *School News* among your reading choices.

In this issue we ask the administrators to write their bios. It is always fun to learn about their college choices, families, pets, hobbies, etc.

Our next issue is November 2.

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The mission of the Little Lake Educational Enrichment Foundation (LLEAF) is to enrich and support the educational programs of the Little Lake City School District through community fundraising, active involvement, and awareness of the district's and students' needs. Toward that end, LLEAF sponsors a Fourth of July fireworks sale every summer. The LLEAF Board of Directors would like to thank all of you who recently supported the foundation through your purchase of fireworks from our stand. The proceeds from the fireworks sale will be distributed to our teachers this fall in the form of classroom mini-grants up to \$1,000. Your support will be experienced directly by our students through educational enhancements such as field trips, library books, or special technology equipment. LLEAF looks forward to working with our partners in the community to help realize our mission in the coming year.



Mike Mendez
President

Nuestra Misión

La misión de la Fundación Little Lake para el Avance Educativo (LLEAF, por sus siglas en inglés) es enriquecer y apoyar los programas educativos del Distrito Escolar de Little Lake mediante la recaudación de fondos de la comunidad, la participación activa y la sensibilización de las necesidades del distrito y de los estudiantes. Con ese fin, LLEAF patrocina cada verano la venta de fuegos artificiales del 4 de Julio. El consejo de Administración de LLEAF quiere agradecer a todos ustedes que recientemente apoyaron a la fundación a través de la compra de fuegos artificiales en nuestro puesto. Los ingresos de esta venta serán distribuidos a los maestros este otoño en forma de mini-becas por salón de hasta \$1,000. Su apoyo será experimentado directamente por nuestros estudiantes a través de mejoras educativas, tales como viajes de estudio, libros para la biblioteca o equipos especiales de tecnología. LLEAF espera con interés poder trabajar con nuestros colaboradores en la comunidad para ayudar a cumplir nuestra misión en el próximo año.

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Gold Ribbon Award “recognizes schools that have made tremendous gains in implementing the academic content and performance standards...for all students.” In addition, our seven elementary schools also were recognized as Title I Academic Achieving Award Schools for their success in significantly closing the achievement gap among all groups of students. With this amazing accomplishment, all nine schools in the Little Lake City School District are now Gold Ribbon Schools as well as Title I Academic Achieving Award Schools.

During the last year, Lake Center Middle School earned recognition as a “National School to Watch.” Following a rigorous application process, the school hosted a team of middle school experts who observed in classrooms, reviewed documentation, and interviewed students, staff, parents and community leaders. The Schools to Watch Award was presented to Lake Center Middle School representatives in Sacramento in February, and again in Washington, D.C. in June. With this recognition, both middle schools in the Little Lake City School District are now “National Schools to Watch”.

Also during the last year, Lakeside Middle School earned recognition as a “AVID Site of Distinction.” Lakeside Middle School is among 24 schools in California- and 75 in the nation- to earn the Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) School-wide Site of Distinction award for 2015-2016, a new honor given to a select few AVID schools for their extensive commitment to providing students with college preparation resources. Only 380 out of 5,000 AVID schools in the U.S. were eligible to apply for the honor. The distinction puts Lakeside Middle Schools AVID program in the top 2 percent of all AVID programs in the nation.

Finally, the Campaign for Business and Education Excellence (CBEE) announced the 2015 Honor Roll Schools. Included on the list were four Little Lake schools: Jersey Avenue, Paddison, Studebaker and Wm. Orr. Schools receiving this distinction from the California business community have demonstrated consistent high levels of student academic achievement, improvement in achievement levels over time and reduction in achievement gaps among student populations. As we prepare our students to be successful in college and careers, the validation of our work by the business community shows we are headed in the right direction.

All of these distinctions are a direct result of the outstanding and results-driven teamwork among our teachers, administrators and support staff. In addition, we could not be successful without the support of our active and engaged parents and the communities we serve. As California and the district move into an era of new and more rigorous standards, we are motivated and committed to ensuring success for every student.

temporalmente al Premio Escuela Distinguida de California, el Premio Listón de Oro “reconoce a las escuelas que han hecho extraordinarios logros en la implementación del contenido académico y los estándares de desempeño... para todos los estudiantes.” Además, nuestras siete escuelas primarias también fueron reconocidas con el Premio de Logros Académicos de Escuelas del Título I por su éxito en reducir significativamente la brecha de logros académicos entre todos los grupos de estudiantes. Con esta gran distinción, todas nuestras nueve escuelas en el Distrito de Little Lake son escuelas de Listón de Oro y escuelas premiadas de Título I

Durante el año pasado, la Escuela Intermedia Lakeside también obtuvo el reconocimiento como “Escuela Nacional para Observar.” Después de un riguroso proceso de aplicación, la escuela recibió a un equipo de expertos en escuelas intermedias que observaron las aulas, revisaron la documentación y entrevistaron a estudiantes, personal, padres y líderes de la comunidad. El Premio Escuelas para Observar fue otorgado a los representantes de la Escuela Intermedia Lakeside en Sacramento en el mes de febrero, y nuevamente en Washington, D.C en junio. Con este reconocimiento, las dos escuelas intermedias en el Distrito de Little Lake ahora son “ Escuela Nacional para Observar”.

Durante el año pasado, la Escuela Intermedia Lakeside ganó el reconocimiento como “Sitio de Distinción AVID.” Hay aproximadamente 4,400 escuelas AVID en todo el país. De esas escuelas, se invitó a 285 a aplicar para ser un sitio de Distinción. Lakeside fue una de las escuelas invitadas a aplicar. Del grupo de 285, sólo se seleccionaron 75 escuelas AVID en todo el país para ser un sitio de Distinción. Es un placer anunciar que la Escuela Intermedia Lakeside es una de las 75 escuelas de AVID que se une a este grupo exclusivo.

Por último, en junio, la Campaña a la Excelencia Empresarial y de Educación (CBEE) anunció las Escuelas de Honor 2014. Ocho escuelas de Little Lake estuvieron incluidas en la lista: Cresson, Jersey Avenue, Lakeland, Lakeview, Paddison, Studebaker, Wm. Orr y Lakeside. Las escuelas que reciben esta distinción de la comunidad empresarial de California han demostrado un consistente alto nivel en el desempeño académico de los estudiantes, la mejora en los niveles de logro en el tiempo y la reducción de la brecha académica entre la población estudiantil. Mientras seguimos preparando a nuestros estudiantes para tener éxito en la universidad y en una carrera profesional, el reconocimiento de nuestro trabajo por la comunidad empresarial demuestra que vamos en la dirección correcta.

Todas estas distinciones son un resultado directo del excepcional trabajo en equipo y orientado a resultados entre nuestros maestros, administradores y personal de apoyo. Además, no podríamos tener éxito sin el apoyo de nuestros activos y comprometidos padres y de la comunidad a la que servimos. A medida que California y el Distrito entramos en una era de nuevos y más rigurosos estándares, nos sentimos motivados y comprometidos para asegurar el éxito de cada estudiante.

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Cresson *Elementary*

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Linda Rigg
Principal

Welcome to the 2016-2017 school year! I am entering my twenty-eighth year in education, having served as a teacher, an instructional coach, a vice-principal, and a principal. It is a tremendous honor and privilege to be able to continue to serve the Little Lake City School District as the principal of Cresson Elementary School. I am looking forward to continuing the productive work that we are doing as a school community, which

led last year to our being recognized as a California Gold Ribbon School and Title I Academic Achievement Award School. Our preliminary state test scores also show growth in all grade levels in both English language arts and math. I am so proud of the hard work of our students, staff, and families, and I am excited to continue to collaborate with parents, staff, and students to maintain our steady growth to ensure that our students reach their full potential. Go, Team Cresson!

Jersey Avenue *Elementary*

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Dr. Michael Trimmell
Principal

Welcome to the 2016-2017 school year! I hope that everyone had a fantastic summer! While students were out of school, we were busy working to prepare for the new school year. Over the summer, every bathroom at Jersey was renovated! All student and adult bathrooms are new and ready for the new school year. This project was funded through bond money, so a big thank you to the community for funding this project. As we start the school year, and reflect on all of the success that we have had as a school and as a district, I would like to thank the dedicated staff at Jersey Avenue Elementary School. Their drive to ensure that ALL students succeed is inspiring.

This continuous drive has yielded many successes. We were given many awards last school year that validate all of the hard work we do collectively to support ALL children. We were awarded the Title I Academic Achievement Award for the 4th time, the CBEE for the 8th time, and the Gold Ribbon Schools Award for the first time. These awards validate the way in which we work as a community to educate our children.

This school year, just like last, we are excited to be the ones entrusted with your children on a daily basis. Our commitment to each student is to ensure that every student has the opportunity to succeed! Here's to an amazing school year!

Lake Center *Middle School*

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Jack Sokoloff
Principal

I consider it an honor and privilege to be the instructional leader of Lake Center Middle School and am very happy to be here. My time growing up was spent not far from here. I was raised in Whittier and attended Longfellow Elementary School, Dexter Intermediate School, and Whittier High School. After high school, I attended Rio Hondo College, University of California, Riverside, and California State University, Long Beach. Prior to my time at Lake Center, I spent 4 years as the principal of Lakeland Elementary School, and before that, I was the Assistant Principal at Lake Center for 3 years. Before coming to the Little Lake City School District, I also worked in the Long Beach Unified

School District in various positions for about 10 years. Being back at Lake Center is like coming back after a hiatus in a different world. Developmentally, elementary students have a unique and innocent way about them. I will truly miss my days at that level. Middle school is a bit different, yet the students still have a level of innocence, a sense of humor, and a lot of energy. While at Lake Center, I will continue my belief that the relationships we make should forge a collective responsibility for the wellbeing of our children. Every child should feel supported and connected to the school and its culture. It is our obligation to ensure this occurs. I would like to thank the Lake Center community for their positive, welcoming spirit!

Lakeland *Elementary*

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Janet Alonso
Principal

I am excited to begin the 2016-2017 school year as the newly appointed Principal of Lakeland Elementary, a 2016 California Gold Ribbon School which has produced so many exceptional students.

Let me start by sharing about my academic career. I started in the city of Pico Rivera where I attended Pio Pico Elementary School, North Park Middle School, and El Rancho High School. Shortly after high school, I began my college days at California State University of Los Angeles where I received my Bachelor of Arts in Child Development. I later obtained my Master in Education and teaching credentials at Whittier College. Two years after graduating with my master's degree, I pursued my administrative credential from Cal Poly Pomona and also successfully completed a Master in Educational Counseling and Pupil Personnel Services Credential from the University of La Verne shortly thereafter.

I began my teaching career at Rio Vista Elementary School with the El Rancho Unified School District in the city of Pico Rivera. Rio Vista was my home for twenty-two years where I worked in various capacities beginning as an instructional assistant, then a classroom teacher, and in the last capacity as

an instructional coach. During my employment at Rio Vista, I have served as the Principal's Administrative Designee and had many leadership opportunities at the district level.

My decision to apply for a principal position at Little Lake City School District came after I visited three elementary schools within the district. I was impressed with the consistency and uniformity of implementation of best teaching and collaboration practices that support student learning at the three schools that I observed. In addition, it was extraordinary to witness first-hand the focus on academics and dedication from all staff members and the endless commitment from the district at all levels to ensure that all students in the district are provided with a quality education.

As the new principal, I welcome you all to a great year at Lakeland Elementary. Please continue to support our mission so that together we serve our students with the best possible education for their academic and emotional success. This school year promises to be the best school year yet to come for all the Lakeland's Lions and families, and I am honored to be the principal of the school in such an amazing community!

Lakeside *Middle School*

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Ana Gutierrez
Principal

It is my pleasure to welcome all Lakeside Mustangs back to school! I have the honor of working with a dedicated team who inspire our students and their families to show their Mustang PRIDE every day. I have enjoyed a career in education during the last 32 years as an elementary and middle school science teacher. I received a B.A. in English, teaching certification and Masters in Educational Administration from CSULA. I earned a Masters

in Teaching Science from CSUF. I first entered administration in 1998 as a categorical programs site administrator and, eventually accepted a position as a district coordinator for Montebello Unified School District. In 2008, I accepted the position as principal of Paddison, and now continue my administrative career as the principal of Lakeside.

I look forward to continuing my services to the Lakeside community and anticipate another exciting year! Go Mustangs!

Lakeview *Elementary*

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Lauren Hernandez
Principal

Welcome back to the 2016 – 2017 school year at Lakeview Elementary School! Fresh from being named a 2016 Gold Ribbon and Title I Academic Achievement Award School, the Lakeview staff is back and busy preparing for another successful school year.

I am excited to begin my fifth school year as the principal of Lakeview. As a Santa Fe High School graduate, I am proud to serve in the community where I was raised. I earned a bachelor's degree and teaching credential from the University of California, Los Angeles (Go, Bruins!) and received my master's degree in educational leadership and administrative credential from the University of La Verne. In 2001, I joined the Little Lake City School District family as a sixth-grade language arts and history teacher. I served

as a literacy coach, intervention specialist, and assistant principal at Lakeside Middle School before becoming the principal of Lakeview in 2012. I am proud to be a part of the Lakeview school community.

At Lakeview, we are committed to providing every student with a successful educational experience. Our teachers work collaboratively in professional learning communities to ensure a rigorous, standards-based curriculum and engaging, research-based teaching strategies. Add in our new infusion of technology, and Lakeview teachers are ready to lead our students to become 21st-century critical thinkers and problem solvers. I am looking forward to another positive and successful school year here at Lakeview. It is truly a special place made up of dedicated staff, supportive families, and exceptional students.

William Orr *Elementary*

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Rebecca Casillas
Principal

I am pleased to once again introduce myself to our community. My educational background includes a Bachelors Degree in Spanish from CSULB and a Masters Degree in Education with an emphasis in K-12 Reading from CSULA. In addition, I have a multiple subject credential and a preliminary administrative services credential.

I began my teaching career in 1999 and joined the Little Lake team as a teacher at Orr in 2004. Throughout my career, I have taught many grades, including primary and upper grades and even middle school. I've also been fortunate to serve as a literacy coach, ELD coordinator, and a master teacher for student teachers. In December 2012, I accepted the role of interim principal at Orr, and I am absolutely thrilled to continue to serve as William Orr's principal.

I have also been a proud LLCSD parent since 2000. My boys have gone

through Studebaker, Orr, and Lakeside. As both a former teacher and parent in the district and at Orr, I can't say enough about the wonderful staff and instructional program. We truly embody the statement "Students first" and pride ourselves in ensuring every student's success.

Orr had a fantastic 2015-2016 school year. We were honored to be named a 2016 California Gold Ribbon School, Title I Academic Achievement Award School, and a CBEE Honor Roll School. We continue to strive for excellence and support students with both their academic and non-academic needs, and our many accolades over the years, including last year, are a testament to this.

Our work towards success will continue this year. I look forward to picking up where we left off last year and working hard to meet the needs of our students and community. Thank you for entrusting your child to us at Orr and welcome to our team!

Paddison *Elementary*

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Dr. Lorena Martinez-Vargas
Principal

Welcome to the 2016-2017 school year! My name is Dr. Martinez-Vargas; I serve as Paddison's principal. Students, their families, teachers, and our surrounding community form a powerful and dynamic partnership. Together we have accomplished distinction. In 2016, Paddison was recognized as a Gold Ribbon school, identified as a Title I Academic Achievement school, and named an Honor Roll school by the Campaign for Business and Education Excellence. Such achievement is only possible when we work together. It takes all of us to maintain the

safe and nurturing environment that supports success. Together we make it possible for our all our students to engage in a school year filled with reading, writing, mathematics, enrichment activities, friendships, and adventures in education. Let's keep working together! Students should arrive at school by 8:00am. Don't be late! Don't miss a day! We hope to see you at Paddison's Back to School Night, Wednesday, September 14th at 5:30pm. I have great expectations for an amazing and productive school year. As Always, Go Panthers!

Studebaker *Elementary*

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Monica Johnson
Principal

Welcome to the 2016 - 2017 school year! I am excited to begin my fourth year as principal at Studebaker Elementary School. I earned my bachelor's degree and teaching credential from Whittier College (Go Poets!). My teaching career began at Jersey Avenue School in 1996 when I joined the Little Lake City School District family. I spent 11 wonderful years teaching and serving as literacy coach. Throughout that time I received my master's degree in Education and Reading Specialist Credential from Cal State Los Angeles. Soon after, I pursued my administrative credential from Cal Poly Pomona and became principal at Little Lake City School District.

I look forward to this new school year as we continue to integrate the new California State Standards. In addition, we will be incorporating more technology into our instruction and into the hands of students. Last year, Studebaker was named 2016 Gold Ribbon School and Title I Academic Achievement School! Congratulations!!!

Studebaker is a tight knit community of supportive parents, fantastic teachers, and superstar students! Together we are committed to our students' academic and social success! Let's have a FANTASTIC 2016 - 2017 school year.

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communities we serve

The 2016-2017 school year begins my 27th year in public education. I came to California in 1990 as a Charter Teach For America (TFA) Corps member and began my teaching career at Compton High School. Over the years, I have worked as a classroom teacher, middle school assistant principal, middle school principal, elementary school principal and district level administrator. I joined the Little Lake City School District in 2007 as the principal of Lakeview Elementary School, later moving in 2012 to serve as the principal of Lake Center Middle School. As I begin my first year as your Superintendent, I feel fortunate to have been greatly influenced by the many students, staff members, parents and community members that I have had the pleasant experience to work with.

Our school district is fortunate to be located in a community that supports and appreciates our nine elementary and two middle schools. Being an integral part of the community, the Little Lake City School District takes great pride in not only encouraging students to value and recognize the importance of education, but also helping them to prepare to be contributing members of society.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank my predecessor Dr. Phillip Perez for his leadership in moving the District forward during his tenure here in Little Lake. I am confident that the District will continue to succeed as we support the work that has brought us success while at the same time explore and establish new paths that will further strengthen and enhance the teaching and learning environment.



Dr. Bill Crean
Superintendent

llegado a apreciar y respetar verdaderamente todos los aspectos de este distrito y de la comunidad a la cual servimos.

El año escolar 2016-2017 inicia mi 27o año en la educación pública. Vine a California en 1990 como miembro de Charter Teach For America (TFA) y empecé mi carrera en la docencia en la Escuela Preparatoria Compton. A lo largo de los años, he trabajado como maestro titular de clase, subdirector de escuela intermedia, director de escuela intermedia, director de escuela primaria y administrador a nivel distrito. Me incorporé al Distrito Escolar de Little Lake City en 2007 como director de la Escuela Primaria Lakeview, y más adelante en el año 2012, pasé a desempeñar funciones como director de la Escuela Intermedia Lake Center. Al comenzar mi primer año como su Superintendente, me siento afortunado de haber sido altamente influenciado por los muchos estudiantes, miembros del personal, padres y miembros de la comunidad con los cuales he tenido la grata experiencia de trabajar.

Nuestro distrito escolar tiene la fortuna de estar situado en una comunidad que apoya y aprecia nuestras nueve escuelas primarias y dos escuelas intermedias. Al ser una parte integral de la comunidad, el Distrito Escolar de Little Lake City se enorgullece no sólo de alentar a los estudiantes a valorar y reconocer la importancia de la educación, sino que también les ayuda a prepararse para ser miembros que contribuyen a la sociedad.

Me gustaría aprovechar esta oportunidad para agradecer a mi antecesor, el Dr. Phillip Pérez por su liderazgo para hacer progresar al Distrito durante su permanencia aquí en Little Lake. Tengo la certeza de que el Distrito seguirá obteniendo logros mientras apoyemos el trabajo que nos ha llevado al éxito, al mismo tiempo que exploramos y establecemos nuevas vías que fortalezcan y mejoren aún más el entorno de enseñanza y aprendizaje.

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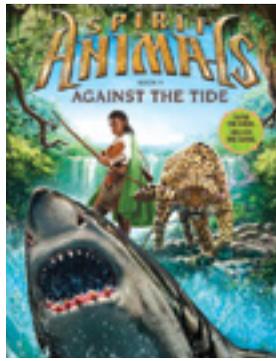
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Spirit Animals—Against the Tide



Alana F.

By Tui T. Sutherland
Travel across Edras alongside Meilin, Rollan, Conon, and Abeke as they make their way to the Hundred Isles in an attempt to retrieve yet another talisman - the Coral Octopus. However, after a demoralizing encounter with the enemy in Arctica, it is apparent that a traitor is in their midst. Will the team be able to put aside their emotions, or will their mistrust for one another be their downfall?



As a story centered around Abeke, I was prepared to be bored while reading this but upon closer inspection, I realized that Abeke is a completely different character than I had initially thought. I would give this book four stars because there wasn't much action or combat however, this book managed to completely change my perspective on a character, (it's harder than it sounds) so I'll give it credit for that.

Alana is a student columnist. When she doesn't have a book in her hands, she enjoys playing video games and writing fiction. She rates books on a scale of 1-5 with 5 being the highest.

Second Book of this Series



Isabella A.

Cinderella Cleaners: Prep Cool is written by Maya Gold and is the second book of the series. Diana helps her dad at the dry cleaners and she didn't like it, but now she's okay with it. When Will, a student, from their school, invites them to go to one of his concerts, Diana's best friend, Jess, gets her cell phone stolen! In order to get it back, Diana must sneak onto campus, but how?

A student from the school takes her uniform to be cleaned. Diana decides to sneak in wearing the uniform. But the trouble is sneaking into the thieves' dorm, stealing it back, and making it back out unnoticed. She meets new friends who are willing to help. Will Diana be able to steal the phone back and get out of campus without being caught? Or will she end up failing miserably?

I would rate this book three and a half stars because while it is rather fun and interesting, sometimes it can be dull and under descriptive. It also shows bad habits.



Isabella is a fifth grader who loves to write based on her experiences fictionalizing them into stories that relate to young readers. Isabella wants to be an author of realistic fiction when she grows up. She will rate the books 1 to 5 with 5 being the best.

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