

Superintendent's Bulletin

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"Love and compassion are necessities, not luxuries. Without them, humanity cannot survive."
Dalai Lama

Castro Valley Community Alliance Film Series

Presents
Bullied

March 3rd at 2:00 p.m.
Castro Valley Public Library

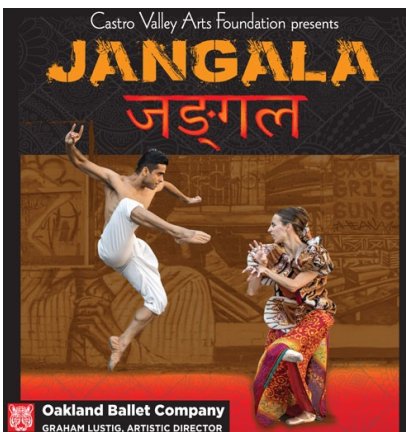
Followed by a frank, honest and respectful dialogue regarding bullying and strategies to create a safe and inclusive community for all.

[Register here.](#)

Please visit <http://bit.ly/CastroValleyCommunityAlliance> to find more information on the Community Alliance.

CVAF presents JANGALA

[Click here for tickets.](#)



School Safety

Our thoughts and prayers are with victims and families devastated by the tragedy in Florida. In light of tragic events involving intruders on school campuses, I want to assure you that student safety is our highest priority. As required by law, our district and school safety plans are comprehensive and include all aspects of school safety.

As a part of our continued efforts to improve safety protocols, last summer all administrators and our law enforcement partners participated in training on new emergency procedures called [ALICE \(Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, Evacuate\)](#). During the next few months, administrators will be training all staff and providing age-appropriate information to students.

In order to improve safety, this past summer we also replaced all portable communication devices and continue to have monthly district-wide radio checks and practices. In addition, as a part of Measure G, all school security cameras are being replaced with new high-resolution cameras.

Social and emotional safety of our students are top priorities for us. In line with the District's core value of ensuring that every student feels safe and supported in school, we have focused our efforts in promoting empathy, compassion and responsibility through Positive Behavior Intervention System (PBIS) and restorative practices. Our commitment to students' social-emotional health is also evident in the Governing Board's decision not to eliminate elementary school counselors when the federal grant that funded the program was about to sunset. Instead, we worked to re-prioritize expenditures to ensure we continue to have counselors in elementary schools.

Our new Wellness Center (housed in temporary buildings at Castro Valley High School) is another example of the CVUSD's commitment to the health and safety of students and staff. We are grateful to voters in Castro Valley for approving Measure G, which includes funding for modernization and construction of new facilities such as the Wellness Center. With support from organizations such as Eden Counseling Services, Axis Community Health, Project Eden, and Alameda County Behavioral Health, we are able to increase counseling services at the Wellness Center.

First Annual Measure G CBOC Report

View the new Measure G website and the annual report here <http://bit.ly/cvUSD-measureg>

Water Testing

The District has continued testing water throughout schools and addressed needed repairs. Updates are posted online [here](#).

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Student Success Nothing Less