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# INGLEWOOD

★ UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT ★



UPDATE FROM THE

## State Administrator

Dr. Thelma Meléndez  
de Santa Ana, Ph.D.



Dear IUSD Community,

I am so pleased to announce that City Honors College Preparatory Academy students Sophia Baker and Sahil Multani are among just 25 juniors selected to participate in the Hollywood Reporter's Young Executives Fellowship, a two-year program that will immerse them in the entertainment industry. The program is designed to create an inclusive pipeline for future leaders in entertainment. This is a wonderful opportunity for our students to learn about the entertainment business through invaluable experiences that they will share with their peers.

### **K-8 CONVERSIONS**

As we continue to expand grade levels at some of our schools, I want to specifically highlight the work being done at Warren Lane, which will accept seventh-graders beginning this fall and become an Academy of the Arts. All students at Warren Lane will receive musical instruments of their choice and learn in an inspiring environment that boosts engagement in all areas of study. We believe that all of our converted campuses will foster continuity and help our students reach their goals.

### **PARENT DONATION**

I believe that collaboration and community are what make Inglewood Unified a special place for our children. We recently received a beautiful example of both when the IKEA in Carson delivered \$7,500 worth of desks, chairs and supplies for our young scholars. The donations were coordinated by a Parent Elementary parent in collaboration with IKEA. I am so appreciative of these efforts and the giving that defines this District.

### **CULTURAL ADVENTURES**

In addition to giving our students the best we have to offer in the classroom through intensive curriculum, we also want to ensure we're introducing them to experiences that will help them grow as well-rounded people. Beulah Payne Elementary recently took students to the Getty Villa, where they experienced art and nature, as well as to the Japanese American National Museum. Meanwhile, City Honors College Preparatory Academy held a schoolwide extravaganza on May 1 celebrating Afro-Latino

and Latino heritage.

Our diversity of background and thought makes us wonderful, and our willingness to come together for the success of children makes us powerful. Let us continue to wield that power through the achievement of students.

Sincerely,

Thelma Meléndez de Santa Ana



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## Parent Elementary Students Receive Donation of School Supplies from IKEA



*Staff members of IKEA in Carson donated \$7,500 worth of school supplies to Frank D. Parent Elementary School.*

Frank D. Parent Elementary School students are enjoying new school supplies after receiving a donation from a local IKEA dedicated to supporting young scholars.

The IKEA in Carson dropped off truckloads of desks, tables, office chairs, folders, binders, rugs, lamps, plants and clocks valued at \$7,500 during three deliveries over this past month.

“We are overjoyed and so appreciative of this gift,” Inglewood Unified State Administrator Dr. Thelma Meléndez de Santa Ana said. “IKEA has given us more than just supplies; they have invested an interest in our children and joined us as partners in guiding students to success.”

The donations were coordinated by a Parent Elementary parent in collaboration with IKEA, which works to improve opportunities for children through donations and other efforts.

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## Happy Cinco de Mayo!



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## District Updates

May 2: Workplace Success Youth & Young Adults Job Fair in Carson

May 3: Cinco de Mayo Assembly at Beulah Payne

May 26: City Honors talent show

May 27: Memorial Day holiday (no school)

May 29: Board of Education meeting



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## Warren Lane Elementary to Launch Arts Academy; Accept 7th-graders in Fall 2019



Warren Lane Elementary School will accept seventh-graders beginning in fall 2019.

Warren Lane Elementary School will launch an Academy of the Arts and engage more students in a learning environment that inspires creativity this fall when it expands to accept seventh-graders.

Students at Warren Lane will develop musical skills through a range of instruction as they are exposed to professional performances and cultural expeditions. All students will receive musical instruments of their choice.

"Warren Lane helps students find their own path in life by introducing them to experiences that allow them to grow," Warren Lane Principal Steve Donahue said. "We're exciting to be providing students with a culture and curriculum that will boost confidence and engagement in all areas."

## Frank D. Parent student honored in IUSD Student Spotlight

Frank D. Parent eighth-grader John Honore has been selected as this month's Stellar Student Spotlight winner for his fighting spirit and success in the classroom.

Honore has overcome many life challenges to become an accomplished piano player and a straight-A student. He also volunteers for the Frank D. Parent PTA and each day opens car doors in the valet drop-off line and welcomes students to school.

Honore has this advice to share with his fellow Inglewood Unified students: "Follow the rules and have fun!"

IUSD Stellar Student Spotlight will honor an outstanding student each month and showcase them in *Eye On Inglewood*. To nominate a student, send submissions to [morr@inglewood.k12.ca.us](mailto:morr@inglewood.k12.ca.us).



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