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engage,
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support all
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reach their
highest level of
learning and
personal
development.

Dear Sierra Unified Community,

As we move into October, our campuses are full of excitement and meaningful opportunities for students.

Next week marks the start of the Big Fresno Fair, a long-standing tradition in our region. Many of our students will participate through school field trips, agricultural projects, and exhibits. We're proud of the hard work and creativity our students put into representing Sierra Unified at the Fair each year. A big congratulations to Lucas Bell and Stella O'Connell, who were each awarded a \$3,000 scholarship at the 4.0 drawing at the Fair!

At the high school, we're also gearing up for Homecoming Week—a time for school spirit, friendly competition, and community pride. We hope to see many of you at the game and celebrations as we cheer on our Chieftains.

For our seniors, October brings important milestones. Beginning this month, each senior will meet individually with their counselor to review transcripts and ensure they are on track for graduation and maintaining their college admissions. Our team also hosted a CSU Application Workshop this week to support seniors in completing their applications. In addition, SAT School Day for seniors will take place on October 15th.

Looking ahead, our counselors will be completing classroom presentations for juniors in the coming month to review the junior checklist, and both 10th and 11th graders will participate in the PSAT on October 14th.

At the elementary schools, our focus this month is on developing good habits and positive behavior. Students are learning how responsibility, kindness, and respect build strong foundations for both academic and personal success. Thank you for reinforcing these values at home—it truly makes a difference.

We are also seeking to expand our team of substitute bus drivers. Community members who meet the criteria outlined by the California Highway Patrol (CHP) and are interested in obtaining a school bus license are encouraged to apply online. This is a great opportunity to support our students and community while helping ensure safe and reliable transportation.

As always, thank you for being an active part of our Sierra Unified community. Together, we are building strong futures for our students.

Measure U Updates

Working with the architect and contractor to define the scope of Phase II of the bond project.

With gratitude,

Dr. Lori Grace
Superintendent, Sierra Unified School District