



SAN DIEGO MISSION ACADEMY

We meet the unique educational, social, and emotional needs of our diverse student population through personalized learning in a safe and nurturing environment.

ELAC Meeting #1
September 8, 2021
6:00pm

Ms. Jenna Unis, Principal
Mr. Matthew O'Connell, Vice-Principal

Ms. Wyona Jimenez, EL Specialist
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Ms. Lisa Romero, EL Paraprofessional
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Meeting Notes

- **Welcome & Purpose of ELAC / Propósito de ELAC**
 - Review of School Mission/Vision/Values & Recent Graduation Photos
 - "The English Language Advisory Committee (ELAC) is a school-level committee comprised of parents, staff, and community members designated to advise school officials on English learner programs and services. Each California public school with 21 or more English learners (ELs) must form an ELAC."
 - *Note: SDMA is not required to have an ELAC because of low EL student % overall. However, SDMA EL parents are invited to participate in ELAC meetings to benefit from EL information provided by EL Para and EL Specialist.*
- **EL Data / Datos de EL**
 - Overall numbers are low for ELPAC participation from 20-21; could be COVID-19; goal is to improve overall participation for the goal of reclassification to help students succeed
 - ELs must complete English courses each school year
 - ELPAC Prep Seminars are starting NOW in preparation for Spring tests, facilitated by the EL Para Ms. Romero and EL Specialist Mrs. Jimenez
- **ELAC Member & School Responsibilities / Responsabilidades de los miembros de ELAC y de la escuela**
 - Sometimes parents feel like they do have sufficient knowledge to recommend strategies to schools, but who knows the students best? It is you and that is why we need your help to form this English Learner Advisory Committee and together we can ensure that all of our students earn their high school diploma and become as successful as we know they can be.
- **ELAC Election and Voting / What does an ELAC officer do? / Elección de ELAC y Voto / ¿Qué hace un oficial de ELAC?**
 - Two candidates for ELAC committee were present at ELAC meeting: Mrs. M. and Mrs. G.
 - Still looking for additional members *and* officers
 - Candidates introduced themselves
 - Form for voting distributed to ELAC members present
- **Student Achievement Awards / Premios por Logros Estudiantiles**
 - Awards were presented to students on screen and will be mailed home to address
- **Meeting Dates and Times/Questions / Fechas y Horarios de Reuniones / Preguntas**
 - Next meeting December 15, 2021