GOVERNING BOARD MEETING AGENDA
Tuesday, November 10, 2026

Board Member Terms:

Vacant, Area 1	2026-2028 (short term seat)
Beatriz A. Cornejo, Area 2	2024-2028
Dr. Martin Kurland, Area 3	2022-2026
Mr. Michael Darnley, Area 4	2022-2026
Ritsa Chanthabandith, Area 5	2024-2026 (short term seat)

Time: 5:00 PM (Closed Session)
Time: 6:00 PM (Open Session) **Location: 5211 Fifth Street, Fallbrook, CA 92028**

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I. OPEN PROVISIONS

1.1- Call to Order
1.2- Pledge of Allegiance
1.3- Attendance/Roll Call

Board Members:

	Present	Absent
Mr. Michael Darnley, President		
Dr. Martin Kurland, Vice President		
Ritsa Chanthabandith, Clerk		
Beatriz "Adriana" Cornejo, Member		

Staff Members:

Dr. Laurie St. Gean, Interim Superintendent/Principal

II. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS

III. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

3.1-Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957(b)(1):
PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT, Title: Superintendent/Principal

IV. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

4.1- Report of Action Taken in Closed Session

V. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

VI. PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS

VII. CONSOLIDATED MOTION: The board will review, discuss, and vote to approve the following Consolidated Motion items. Voting simultaneously on all Consolidated Motion items assists in expediting ongoing monthly agenda items.
7.1- October 8, 2026 Special Board Meeting Minutes
7.2- October 13, 2026 Board Meeting Minutes
7.3- October 22, 2026 Special Board Meeting Minutes
7.4- October 2026 Warrants
7.5- October 2026 Purchase Orders
7.6- Personnel Changes

VIII. RECOGNITIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

IX. STAFF REPORTS
9.1- Superintendent's Report
9.2- Vallecitos Educators Association report

X. INFORMATION ITEMS
10.1- Facilities Project Update 2026-27
10.2- 2nd Annual Rainbow Christmas Tree Lighting, Wednesday, December 9, 2026, 5:30–7:30 PM, Vallecitos School Front Courtyard & Playground. Board members are invited to attend.

XI. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS: BUSINESS/FINANCIAL/FACILITIES

XII. DISCUSSION/ACTION GENERAL ITEMS
12.1- Approval of Independent Contractor Agreement with Laurie St. Gean, Ed.D. – Superintendent/Principal

XIII. BOARD BUSINESS
13.1- Approval of Annual Organizational Meeting Date and Time: Tuesday, December 15, 2026, at 5:00 PM

XIV. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

XV. ADJOURNMENT

Next Board Meeting December 15, 2026 at 5:00 PM.

Vallecitos SCHOOL DISTRICT

GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

Minutes

Tuesday October 13, 2026

Board Member Terms:

Vacant, Area 1 2026-2028 (short term seat)
Beatriz “Adriana” Cornejo, Area 2 2024-2028
Dr. Martin Kurland, Area 3 2022-2026
Mr. Michael Darnley, Area 4 2022-2026
Ritsa Chanthabandith, Area 5 2024-2026 (short term seat)

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I. OPEN PROVISIONS

A. Call to Order- **5:02 PM**
B. Attendance/Roll Call

Board Members:

	Present	Absent
Mr. Michael Darnley, President	**X**	
Dr. Martin Kurland, Vice President	**X**	
Ritsa Chanthabandith, Clerk	**X**	
Beatriz “Adriana” Cornejo, Member	**X**	

Staff Members:
Mr. Meliton Sanchez, Superintendent **ABSENT**
Alternate: Dr. Laurie St. Gean, Interim Superintendent/Principal **X**

C. Pledge of Allegiance

II. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS

2.1 Ian Liebenberg expressed concern regarding teachers continuing to work without a contract.
2.2 Samantha expressed disappointment that teachers do not have a contract and that an agreement on salary has not been reached. She shared that she works Saturday School and Home Hospital and volunteers at almost all school events.
2.3 Erika shared that she has worked for Vallecitos for 12 years, spends countless hours outside of school preparing, and uses her own money to purchase school supplies. She noted that teachers have gone a year and a half without a contract.
2.4 Nelson echoed the comments of his colleagues, noting that this is his second year

without a contract and with low pay. He asked for a contract and higher pay.
2.5 Medina asked the Board to review the new positions and why they are needed, noting that funds are being reduced and that teachers have gone almost two years without a contract.
2.6 Mrs. White shared that this is her first year working at Vallecitos and that she was surprised to learn there is no contract. She expressed hope that all parties can agree on a fair contract and raise.
2.7 Natasha stated that teachers have no contract and no raise and asked for respect when negotiating the percentage of the raise. She asked that a principal/superintendent be present and selected carefully, noting that one person holding three jobs is not good.
2.8 Jasmine Burke echoed the concerns of her colleagues and expressed concern about favoritism.

III. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION- 5:21 PM

3.1- PUBLIC EMPLOYEE EMPLOYMENT (Government Code § 54957)- Title: Interim Superintendent/Principal
3.2- PUBLIC EMPLOYEE EMPLOYMENT (Government Code § 54957)- Title: Superintendent/Principal

IV. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION- 6:55 PM: NO REPORTABLE ACTION TAKEN

V. APPROVAL OF AGENDA- MOTIONED BY DR. MARTIN KURLAND, SECONDED BY BEATRIZ CORNEJO, AND THE MOTION CARRIED 4-0.
VI. PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS- N/A
VII. CONSOLIDATED MOTION: The board will review, discuss, and vote to approve the following Consolidated Motion items. Voting simultaneously on all Consolidated Motion items assists in expediting ongoing monthly agenda items.

7.1- September 8, 2026 Board Meeting Minutes
7.2- September 2026 Warrants
7.3- September 2026 Purchase Orders
7.4- Personnel Changes
7.5- September 15, 2026 Special Board Meeting Minutes
MOTIONED BY DR. MARTIN KURLAND, SECONDED BY BEATRIZ CORNEJO, AND THE CONSOLIDATED MOTION ITEMS CARRIED 4-0.

VIII. RECOGNITIONS AND PRESENTATIONS- N/A
IX. STAFF REPORTS

9.1- Superintendent's Report- **Dr. St. Gean complimented the teachers on their work with students and shared that she is happy to be here to help.**
9.2- Vallecitos Educators Association report- **Mrs. White shared that she is happy with all of the school events and happy to have Dr. St. Gean here, noting that she is present and helps everyone.**

X. INFORMATION ITEMS

10.1- 2025–26 Proposition 28 Arts and Music in Schools Annual Report- **Information item only; no action taken.**

XI. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS: BUSINESS/FINANCIAL/FACILITIES

11.1- Approval of Revised 2025–26 Unaudited Actuals Financial Report- **MOTIONED BY DR. MARTIN KURLAND, SECONDED BY BEATRIZ CORNEJO, AND THE MOTION CARRIED 4-0.**
11.2- Adoption of Resolution No. 2026-27-002: Five-Year School Facilities Master Plan Requirements for Small School District Program Funding- **MOTIONED BY DR. MARTIN**

KURLAND, SECONDED BY BEATRIZ CORNEJO, AND THE MOTION CARRIED 4-0.

11.3- Adoption of Resolution No. 2026-27-003 – Designation of Authorized District Representative- **MOTIONED BY DR. MARTIN KURLAND, SECONDED BY BEATRIZ CORNEJO, AND THE MOTION CARRIED 4-0.**

XII. DISCUSSION/ACTION GENERAL ITEMS

12.1- Approval of Community Matters Waking Up Courage Assembly Agreement- **MOTIONED BY DR. MARTIN KURLAND, SECONDED BY BEATRIZ CORNEJO, AND THE MOTION CARRIED 4-0.**

12.2- Approval of Finance, Reporting, and Payroll Coordinator Position, Job Description, and Revised 2026–27 Classified Management Salary Schedule- **MOTIONED BY DR. MARTIN KURLAND, SECONDED BY BEATRIZ CORNEJO, AND THE MOTION CARRIED 4-0.**

XIII. BOARD BUSINESS

13.1- Adoption of Resolution No. 2026-27-004: Designation of District Representative to the Joint Powers Authority (JPA)- **THE MOTION CARRIED 4-0.**

13.2- Adoption of Resolution No. 2026-27-005: Designation of District Representative to the Fringe Benefits Consortium (FBC)- **THE MOTION CARRIED 4-0.**

XIV. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

14.1- Music Program

14.2- Solar Update

14.3- The Board suggested creating a spreadsheet to track updates on future agenda items.

XV. ADJOURNMENT- 7:15 PM

Next Regular Board Meeting November 10, 2026 at 5:00 PM

SPECIAL GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

Minutes

Thursday October 22, 2026

Board Member Terms:

Vacant, Area 1 2026-2028 (short term seat)
Beatriz “Adriana” Cornejo, Area 2 2024-2028
Dr. Martin Kurland, Area 3 2022-2026
Mr. Michael Darnley, Area 4 2022-2026
Ritsa Chanthabandith, Area 5 2024-2026 (short term seat)

Time: 4:00 PM (Closed Session)
Time: Open Session to follow Location: 5211 Fifth Street, Fallbrook, CA 92028
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I. OPEN PROVISIONS

A. Call to Order- **4:00 PM**
B. Attendance/Roll Call

Board Members:

	Present	Absent
Mr. Michael Darnley, President	**X**	
Dr. Martin Kurland, Vice President	**X**	
Ritsa Chanthabandith, Clerk	**X**	
Beatriz “Adriana” Cornejo, Member	**X**	

C. Pledge of Allegiance

II. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS- NONE
III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA- NO ACTION TAKEN.
IV. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION- 4:00 PM

4.1- Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957(b)(1): Public Employee Appointment, Title: Superintendent/Principal

V. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION- NO REPORTABLE ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION
VI. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS: BUSINESS/FINANCIAL/FACILITIES

6.1- Approve Nutrition Services Consultant Agreement with Lynette Rock- **THE MOTION CARRIED 4-0.**
6.2- Agreement for Laurie St. Gean – Interim Superintendent Independent Contractor Agreement- **THE MOTION CARRIED 4-0.**

VII. ADJOURNMENT- 5:30 PM

Next Regular Board Meeting November 10, 2026 at 5:00 PM

Item 7.4 – October 2026 Warrants

37 lines | Total $57,614.38

Warrant ID	Vendor Name	Payment Date	Invoice Item Description	Fund	Object	Object Description	Amount Charged to Fund
12029578	BLACK KNIGHT TERMITE & PEST CONTROL, INC	10/01/2026	PEST CONTROL $350	0100	9510000	Current Liabilities	$350.00
12029579	Blu Bulk Transport, INC	10/01/2026	ACCRUAL	0100	9510000	Current Liabilities	$300.00
12029580	SAN DIEGO GAS & ELECTRIC CO.	10/01/2026	OPEN PO ELEC	0100	5500002	Electric	$9,246.70
12030783	T-MOBILE USA INC.	10/05/2026	OPEN PO	0100	5900100	Telephone Service Expenses	$180.84
12032209	BLACK KNIGHT TERMITE & PEST CONTROL, INC	10/08/2026	Pest Control Services 26-27	0100	5500007	Pest Control Service	$200.00
12032210	GOLD STAR FOODS, INC.	10/08/2026	FOOD	1300	4700000	Food	$3,244.10
12032211	FALLBROOK ACE HARDWARE	10/08/2026	Invoice Payment for Goods Purc	0100	4300000	Materials And Supplies	$229.54
12032212	Thomas G Chavez	10/08/2026	HR Consulting Services for 26-	0100	5800000	Prof/Consult Srv&Operate Exp	$825.00
12032213	AT&T	10/08/2026	OPEN PO	0100	5900000	Communications	$372.57
12035029	FAGEN, FRIEDMAN & FULFROST, LLP	10/15/2026	SERV.	0100	5800000	Prof/Consult Srv&Operate Exp	$5,898.00
12035030	THE PZA GUY, INC.	10/15/2026	PIZZA	1300	4700000	Food	$1,596.00
12035031	TEMECULA DRAIN SERVICE & PLUMBING, INC	10/15/2026	Urinal Flush Valve Repair	0100	4300000	Materials And Supplies	$779.00
12035032	US BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION	10/15/2026	ADOBE	0100	5800200	Software - Other	$33.98
12035032	US BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION	10/15/2026	BOARD DINNER	0100	4300500	Refreshments & Food	$107.89
12035032	US BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION	10/15/2026	BOOKS	0100	4100000	Textbooks	$263.01
12035032	US BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION	10/15/2026	Classroom management	0100	4100000	Textbooks	$197.00
12035032	US BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION	10/15/2026	FUEL	0100	4300600	Fuel, Gasoline	$70.25
12035032	US BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION	10/15/2026	Garden Beds	0100	5600000	Rentl,Lease,Repair&Non-Cap Imp	$548.67
12035032	US BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION	10/15/2026	MAINT SUPPLIES	0100	4300000	Materials And Supplies	$529.76
12035033	PARADIGM HEALTHCARE SERVICES, LLC	10/15/2026	Open PO for Services 26-27	0100	5800000	Prof/Consult Srv&Operate Exp	$195.00
12035034	FALLBROOK EQUIPMENT RENTALS INC	10/15/2026	Ditch Witch Rental for Water L	0100	5600000	Rentl,Lease,Repair&Non-Cap Imp	$285.00
12035035	Thomas G Chavez	10/15/2026	HR Consulting Services for 26-	0100	5800000	Prof/Consult Srv&Operate Exp	$945.00
12035036	CURRICULUM ASSOCIATES, INC.	10/15/2026	Magnetic Foundations Student W	0100	4200000	Books Other Than Textbooks	$362.04
12035037	FALLBROOK WASTE & RECYCLING	10/15/2026	OPEN PO	0100	5500004	Waste Removal	$882.20
12035038	HOME DEPOT-CREDIT SERVICES	10/15/2026	Statement for Merchandise- Due	0100	4300000	Materials And Supplies	$1,838.99
12035039	HOLLANDIA DAIRY	10/15/2026	MILK	1300	4700000	Food	$3,149.78
12035040	STANDARD ELECTRONICS	10/15/2026	BATTERY, 18 AH @ 12V WITH F2 S	0100	4300000	Materials And Supplies	$113.16
12035040	STANDARD ELECTRONICS	10/15/2026	Labor and Distance Charge	0100	5600000	Rentl,Lease,Repair&Non-Cap Imp	$507.07
12036354	AT&T CALNET	10/19/2026	OPEN PO	0100	5900150	Internet Calnet Services	$1,651.80

Warrant ID	Vendor Name	Payment Date	Invoice Item Description	Fund	Object	Object Description	Amount Charged to Fund
12036355	AMAZON.COM	10/19/2026	Supplant Teacher Supplies	0100	4300000	Materials And Supplies	$3,083.20
12036355	AMAZON.COM	10/19/2026	Supplement Teacher Supplies	0100	4300000	Materials And Supplies	$2,438.02
12036356	P&R PAPER SUPPLY COMPANY, INC.	10/19/2026	Supplies	1300	4300000	Materials And Supplies	$1,467.34
12036357	New Direction/ProCare	10/19/2026	26-27 Speech / SLP Contract Pr	0100	5100000	Subagreements For Services	$4,888.00
12036358	WAXIE COMPANY	10/19/2026	CLEANING SUPPLIES	0100	4300000	Materials And Supplies	$727.09
12037819	JASMIN ABUNDIS	10/22/2026	Mileage Reimbursement Septembe	0100	9510000	Current Liabilities	$536.26
12037820	ULINE, INC	10/22/2026	H-11671MAP Designer Storag	0100	4400000	Non-Capitalized Equipment	$1,676.12
12037821	New Direction/ProCare	10/22/2026	26-27 Speech / SLP Contract Pr	0100	5100000	Subagreements For Services	$7,896.00
						Total	**$57,614.38**

Item 7.5 – October 2026 Purchase Orders

38 lines | Total $102,457.23

PO No.	PO Date	Supplier	PO Ref	Fund	Object	Descr	Resource	Total by Account
0000003657	10/01/2026	NEW DIRECTION, LLC	26-27 Speech Contract SLP	0100	5100000	Subagreements For Services	6500000	$50,000.00
0000003658	10/01/2026	John Sclifo	26-27 Electrical Work Open PO	0100	5600000	Rentl,Lease,Repair&Non-Cap Imp	8150000	$8,000.00
0000003659	10/05/2026	SAN DIEGO COUNTY OFFICE OF ED.	OPTEL Leadership Institute	0100	5800000	Prof/Consult Srv&Operate Exp	4203000	$50.00
0000003660	10/06/2026	Community Matters	Assembly-Waking Up Courage	0100	5800000	Prof/Consult Srv&Operate Exp	0000100	$500.00
0000003661	10/06/2026	AMAZON.COM	ELOP Program Needs	0100	4300000	Materials And Supplies	2600000	$379.84
0000003662	10/06/2026	AMAZON.COM	ELOP Curtain Rods	0100	4300000	Materials And Supplies	2600000	$99.11
0000003663	10/06/2026	LIFESTYLE FALLBROOK, LLC	Invoice Payment	0100	4300000	Materials And Supplies	8150000	$229.54
0000003664	10/06/2026	FALLBROOK EQUIPMENT RENTALS INC	Ditch Witch Rental	0100	5600000	Rentl,Lease,Repair&Non-Cap Imp	1100000	$285.00
0000003665	10/09/2026	STANDARD ELECTRONICS	26-27 Alarm Repair	0100	4300000	Materials And Supplies	8150000	$120.23
0000003665	10/09/2026	STANDARD ELECTRONICS	26-27 Alarm Repair	0100	5600000	Rentl,Lease,Repair&Non-Cap Imp	8150000	$500.00
0000003666	10/09/2026	WAXIE COMPANY	26-27 Open PO (Cust. Supplies)	0100	4300000	Materials And Supplies	1100000	$7,542.50
0000003667	10/09/2026	HOME DEPOT-CREDIT SERVICES	General Maintenance Supplies	0100	4300000	Materials And Supplies	8150000	$1,838.99
0000003669	10/14/2026	PARADIGM HEALTHCARE SERVICES, LLC	Open PO for Billing Supp	0100	5800000	Prof/Consult Srv&Operate Exp	0000000	$5,820.00
0000003670	10/15/2026	ULINE, INC	Cabinets for 8th Grade Class	0100	4400000	Non-Capitalized Equipment	1100000	$1,676.00
0000003671	10/15/2026	JASMIN ABUNDIS	Mileage Reimbursement Sep. 26	0100	9510000	Current Liabilities	0000000	$536.26
0000003672	10/19/2026	MCGRAW-HILL SCHOOL EDUCATION	26-27 Online Licenses for 4/5	0100	5800100	Software Educational	6300000	$121.14
0000003673	10/19/2026	GREAT AMERICAN LEASING CORP.	26-27 Copier Lease	0100	5600100	Equipment Leases	0000000	$3,107.73
0000003674	10/19/2026	AMAZON.COM	26-27 Open PO Office Supplies	0100	4300000	Materials And Supplies	0000000	$538.75
0000003674	10/19/2026	AMAZON.COM	26-27 Open PO Office Supplies	0100	4300000	Materials And Supplies	0000100	$538.75
0000003675	10/21/2026	DEMCO INC	Library Furniture	0100	4400000	Non-Capitalized Equipment	4126000	$4,661.82
0000003676	10/22/2026	JASMIN ABUNDIS	Open PO for Mileage Reimbursem	0100	5200200	Mileage Reimb Parent	6500000	$5,362.00
0000003677	10/23/2026	US BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION	Sept Credit Card Charges	0100	4300000	Materials And Supplies	0000000	$1,564.25
0000003677	10/23/2026	US BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION	Sept Credit Card Charges	0100	4300200	Computers, Tech < $500	1100000	$613.94
0000003677	10/23/2026	US BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION	Sept Credit Card Charges	0100	4300500	Refreshments & Food	0000100	$398.60
0000003677	10/23/2026	US BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION	Sept Credit Card Charges	0100	4300500	Refreshments & Food	1100000	$215.48
0000003677	10/23/2026	US BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION	Sept Credit Card Charges	0100	4300500	Refreshments & Food	4035000	$90.26
0000003677	10/23/2026	US BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION	Sept Credit Card Charges	0100	4300600	Fuel, Gasoline	6500000	$824.76
0000003677	10/23/2026	US BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION	Sept Credit Card Charges	0100	5600000	Rentl,Lease,Repair&Non-Cap Imp	0000100	$1,375.00

PO No.	PO Date	Supplier	PO Ref	Fund	Object	Descr	Resource	Total by Account
0000003677	10/23/2026	US BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION	Sept Credit Card Charges	0100	5600000	Rentl,Lease,Repair&Non-Cap Imp	6500000	$2,122.22
0000003677	10/23/2026	US BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION	Sept Credit Card Charges	0100	5800000	Prof/Consult Srv&Operate Exp	0000100	$337.50
0000003678	10/23/2026	US BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION	Aug Credit Card Charges	0100	4200000	Books Other Than Textbooks	1100000	$372.26
0000003678	10/23/2026	US BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION	Aug Credit Card Charges	0100	4300000	Materials And Supplies	0000100	$100.64
0000003678	10/23/2026	US BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION	Aug Credit Card Charges	0100	4300000	Materials And Supplies	3010000	$437.52
0000003678	10/23/2026	US BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION	Aug Credit Card Charges	0100	4300000	Materials And Supplies	8150000	$986.76
0000003678	10/23/2026	US BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION	Aug Credit Card Charges	0100	4300500	Refreshments & Food	0000000	$416.77
0000003678	10/23/2026	US BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION	Aug Credit Card Charges	0100	4300500	Refreshments & Food	4035000	$215.48
0000003678	10/23/2026	US BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION	Aug Credit Card Charges	0100	4300600	Fuel, Gasoline	6500000	$444.15
0000003678	10/23/2026	US BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION	Aug Credit Card Charges	0100	5800200	Software - Other	3010000	$33.98
							Total	**$102,457.23**

Vallecitos School District
Governing Board Meeting – November 10, 2026

Item 7.6 – Personnel Changes

Name	Action	Title	Eff. Date
Meliton Sanchez	Resigned	Superintendent/Principal	10/30/26
Miguel Ortiz	Resigned	Custodian	10/30/26
Betsey Garcia	New hire	ELD Paraprofessional	10/20/26
Harrold Wigg	New hire	Coordinator of Finance, Reporting, and Payroll	10/28/26
Liz Estrada	New hire	Bilingual District Data & Program Support Technician	10/20/26

FACILITIES PROJECT UPDATE

2026–27 School Year

Report to the Governing Board
November 2026

This update covers the eleven facilities and maintenance projects on the district's current list. One project is finished and three are underway. The other seven are in planning or are waiting on staffing, vendor quotes, or funding decisions. All information is current as of November 4, 2026.

Completed

Expanded Learning Classroom

Complete as of November 1, 2026

The classroom opened on July 1, 2026. Delivery of the air-conditioning units was delayed, but all of them were running by November 1, and the room is now fully in use.

Underway

School Library

Target: end of December 2026

We are setting up the district's first dedicated library in the Expanded Learning Building. Until now, our books have been spread across classrooms and other rooms. Funding was secured by former Superintendent Meliton Sanchez. Our reading specialist and students are helping sort the collection and get the room ready.

Hand Dryers

Target: November 20, 2026, if delivery stays on schedule

The electrical work is done. Three dryers are still on order, and we will install them as soon as they arrive.

Classroom Garden Beds

Target: early 2027

The garden beds have been delivered and assembled. We still need to fill them with soil, add protective mesh, and plant. That work will pick up again once we hire a new Maintenance Lead.

Major Projects

Solar Canopy over the Stage

Financing: loan of just over $800,000 | Expected: late 2027 to early 2028

We are starting work on a solar canopy over the outdoor stage and assembly area. Along with producing energy, it will give students, staff, and families shade during assemblies and community events.

New Kindergarten

Funding: $2,251,748 approved; $328,220 design advance available now (TK/KN Facilities Grant) | Timeline: to be determined

Former Superintendent Sanchez secured $2,251,748 in state funding ($1,698,720 grant plus $553,028 in financial hardship assistance) through the state's Transitional Kindergarten and Full-Day Kindergarten Facilities Grant for a new kindergarten building. The State Allocation Board approved this funding on September 23, 2026, and it is released in two stages. The first $328,220 is a design advance and is available now under the signed design grant agreement. The remaining $1,923,528 will be released after the district receives plan approval from the Division of the State Architect and the California Department of Education, signs construction contracts covering at least 90 percent of the project, and submits a Fund Release Authorization (Form SAB 70-02) by March 2028. The Board may approve one extension of up to 12 months. The scope, design, and construction schedule have not been set yet.

Maintenance and Restrooms

Staffing update: We are currently short-staffed in maintenance and custodial, and the Maintenance position is still vacant. Until we fill these positions, our small team is focused on daily cleaning and keeping restrooms and campus safe and open. Because of this, the maintenance and restroom projects below may be delayed or moved to summer break.

Exterior Door and Railing Painting

Target: summer 2027

We have put the remaining door and railing painting on hold. With a small custodial staff, daily campus needs come first. We plan to finish the painting over summer break.

Women’s Restroom Remodel

Target: summer 2027 (tentative)

We are waiting on quotes from vendors. Once we have them, we can decide on the scope, cost, and funding, and whether the work can be done next summer.

Exterior Upper-Grade Portable Restrooms

Timeline: to be determined

We are looking at restoring the outside of the restrooms that serve the upper-grade portable classrooms. Scope, cost, and timing have not been decided.

Migrant Education Office Window

Timeline: to be determined

We are adding a window to the Migrant Education office. The office does not currently have one, and adding a window will bring in natural light and make it a better space for staff and the families they serve.

The Outdoor Stage Turns 30

Our outdoor stage was dedicated to the Rainbow and Vallecitos School community on June 10, 1997, so it turns 30 on June 10, 2027. The plaque thanks the local businesses, volunteers, and students who built it together. We did some cleanup and small repairs this past summer and would like to do more so the stage looks and works better for school and community events.



The original 1997 dedication plaque on the stage.

The Board may want to mark the anniversary next June. A rededication or ribbon-cutting could follow once the restoration and solar canopy are finished. Because the canopy is not expected until late 2027 or early 2028, we recommend not planning a completion ceremony for June.

Dates in this report are targets unless marked complete, and dollar amounts are preliminary. This is a status update only; no Board action is requested. Future updates will include approved budgets, funding sources, spending to date, and the staff lead for each project.