



**Manteca Unified School District Board of Education Meeting  
Student Board Member Presentation  
August 10, 2021**

Good evening Superintendent Dr. Burke, President Duncan, and respected members of the MUSD Board of Education. As we are in the first month in this new year, schools have been excited to get back to school in person!

Sierra High School is excited to be back on campus and start yet another great year! Over the summer our school went under lots of construction and now have a whole new parking lot. As well becoming more ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) compliant with new fire alarms, intercom systems, and easy way entries. On August 3rd Link Crew hosted their 9th grade orientation and did an amazing job welcoming 430 new freshmen. They participated in games and tours around campus to help make their new wolfpack students feeling confident on their first day! Coming up this month, Sierra High School will be having an icanhelp assembly on August 12th. Icanhelp is a nonprofit organization that promotes positivity on social media and show how it can be used for good. Ashley Beck our very own ASB Treasurer, a digital media specialist intern with icanhelp, is going to present on the importance of digital footprints, how to use social media to your advantage, and how to prevent negativity while using social media. On August 20th Sierra High Leadership will be hosting a club rush during lunch to showcase all the amazing clubs offered for our students on campus.

This year has been a big change for the Lancers! Going back from everything covid -style and online to all in person has so far been great for everyone! So far as this year has begun with a special welcome for the first day of school! During the first day of school, in the morning we were fortunate to have our cheerleaders come out bright and early, as well as many leadership students to welcome students as they walked through our Lancer tunnel! There was music being played and it was so great to see the smiles on everyone's faces as they made there was through! Now coming up for this month we have much planned since we missed so much the past! But to start our month off we have a Black Light Rally planned to happen in the next few weeks! During this rally we will have the senior's walk-in tradition, as well as our football team "hype up" before our first game and so much more! Not long after that we have club rush planned. During covid unfortunately many clubs had to stop for the time being, but now those clubs aren't skipping a beat and are oh, so excited to be back up again! We plan on having over 25 clubs participate to get more students involved not only on campus but in the community as well! We are so excited to get the students, new and returning lancer spirit back up and high again, we can't wait to make this the best year yet!

For the beginning of the 2021-2022 school year, Weston Ranch High started off strong, with a freshman orientation held on campus July 29th towards the end of summer break, where link crew, peer resource, and leadership gathered to welcome all freshmen on campus. The orientation started off with a

motivational speaker to spread a kind word to all students. Afterwards, as they were all separated into groups, each group was given the opportunity to visit different stations which included assigned tablets, getting their ID photo taken, student services for PE clothes and ASB, which then ended with a tour around campus. Coming up on August 18th, back to school night will be held at 5:45 pm to 7 pm. Fortunately, this year parents will be able to walk the campus, as they are able to visit each class they feel entailed to, with the requirement of masks. Currently, clubs are preparing for the annual club rush that will be held during lunch on August 20th. Students will be able to get out of their comfort zone and get more involved with any club that they have interest in joining at WRHS. With many other events more to come, WRHS is very excited to jump back into the school year and continue to grow back up again as things are finally starting to straighten up!

Kicking off the 2021-22 school year, Manteca High School students began the year off welcoming the class of 2025, aka, the baby buffs through Freshman Orientation and Round-Up which was held on the morning of Wednesday, July 28th. Beginning with orientation where the freshmen were divided into groups and got to know each other on a more personal level and ending with round-up where they were able to take their pictures, order their yearbooks, and get everything they needed in order to prepare for the upcoming school year!

Now, as the seniors prepare for their final year, Manteca High held an event on the very first day of school being the 4th of August titled "Senior Sunrise" where they were able to bond and watch the sun rise as a class being followed by the opportunity to sign the "Senior Rock" on campus continuing the tradition that the class of 2020 started! With all of the excitement surrounding the new school year MHS has decided to hold "Tiki Tango" this upcoming Friday the 13th to welcome the freshman to their first school dance as well as invite all grade levels to the first event of the year!

At Lathrop High, we kicked off our full in person year with a way to celebrate our seniors' last year of high school. Our annual senior sunrise was hosted on the first day of school, August 4th, at 5:30 A.M. This event was a chance for our seniors to be together at once for the first time since last school year. Many students and staff watched the sunrise with complimentary donuts and hot chocolate as they anticipate the rest of the school year for more fun-filled senior events. Students are excited for our first normal tailgate since Covid, which will be held before our first football game against Mt. Diablo in our parking lot on August 24th. There will be games, music, and food for students and staff to enjoy and to get excited before our football season's first game. This event gives clubs the opportunity to sell in order to fundraise money since there was not a lot of events last year for them to be able to raise money for their club. Our very own student council will be hosting a MUSD leadership event. All five of our MUSD high school student council programs will be attending our leadership workshop with guest speaker Scott Backovich, where he will be conducting games, bonding exercises, and ways we can improve culture on our campuses. Although last year was not ideal, we hope that this school year will be on track with a sense of normalcy!

Thank you for your time and we are honored to serve Manteca Unified and its students during the 2021-2022 school year.