

CLIPPER MONTHLY

CLIPCO

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April 2023

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Questions or Content for CLIPPER? Email: newsletter@cusdclipco.org

Calendar

April

MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
3	4	5	6 Musical Parent Info Session	7 Muir report cards
10	11 Miller - SEL Connect Tuesday	12 Kinder Brunch On Us	13	14
17	18	19	20	21
Spring Break				
24	25	26	27	28

Save the Dates

5/5 - CLIP Cultural Day at Muir, 5:30-7:30pm

6/3 - CLIP 8th Grade Promotion in the Miller gym, 4-6pm

6/7 - Muir 5th Grade Day

6/9 - Muir Family Day

6/12 - Miller 8th Grade Promotion at Homestead High, 1-3pm



WE NEED YOU FOR MUIR MUSICAL

JOIN US: THURSDAY, APRIL 6, 3:10PM in the **MUIR MUSIC ROOM** for a **Musical Parent Introduction Meeting** to learn how you can bring Musical Theater back to CLIP next school year. Musical Theater is open to 2023-2024 Grades 3rd-5th students though parents of all grades are invited to attend the meeting.

CLIPCO has partnered with Chinese Performing Arts of America (CPAA) to create an original musical script to be experienced in Mandarin based on the ballad of Mulan.

**Musical will be taught
by bilingual
Mandarin/ English,
professionally trained
music, martial arts, and
drama teachers**

木
蘭
從
軍

MULAN



Meet the Miller CLIP Teachers

Mr. Richard Kuan 管老師

6th grade Social Studies

6th grade Mandarin Language

7th grade Mandarin Language



- This year is my 18th year with CLIP. I had 19 6th graders in the 1st year, now I have 65.
- I learned how to cut my own hair during the pandemic, and haven't gone back to the barbers.
- Recently I got into playing pickleball. It's lots of fun.
- I use the IKON pass, and like to ski as many days as I can.

Ms. Ling-Ling Chern 陳老師

7th grade Social Studies

8th grade Social Studies

8th grade Mandarin Language



- My Chinese given name 玲玲 is the same as one of the two pandas given to Smithsonian's National Zoo by the Chinese government in 1972.
- I surprise myself all the time by discovering new interests.
- I tell my students that I don't sleep well at night if classes do not go smoothly during the day. The students are kind; they work hard and cooperate with me.

Photo note: Ms. Chern and Mr. Terrence Roberts, one of the Little Rock Nine at the Museum of Tolerance in L.A.

Meet our CLIPCO Committees

Congratulations to the CLIP Parade Team for receiving “First Place” in our category (Greater Bay Area Schools)!



Alan Fong (Parade Co-Chair)



- Born/raised in Sunnyvale, went to college in SoCal.
- Have one child in 6th grade (Kyle) in CLIP Miller.
- Learned Lion Dancing and Drumming at 9 years old from my father, the same seven star base beat as taught in ASEP’s Lion Dance.
- Substituted every grade from K-8th in CUSD
- Played American football in high school.
- Hobbies include all type of sports.
- First experience with CNYP was when I was 12 years old, our dragon was about 20 golf carts with a long canvas tarp over it. Been participating ever since with various organizations/groups.
- Current coach of the 6th grade Miller's boys / girls basketball team. Also coaching Muir Elementary school’s 4th/5th grade JV and Varsity basketball teams.
- Historical credits to previous committee chair to encourage the new crop of volunteers to keep this wonderful clip tradition of be the CNYP going forward. Before me was **Eileen Voon** as she was the grand master chair of the CNYP. She has gone thru every Chinese Zodiac.

Christine Wong (Parade Co-Chair)



- I have two kids Keale (3rd grade) and Anuhea (a kindergartner next fall.)
- I’m a transplant from SoCal. When I moved to NorCal, I wanted to challenge myself, so I took up distance running. I have run 2 marathons and a few half marathons.
- I played violin for 8 years.
- I love to travel and one day would love to visit Palau to swim with the jellyfish at jellyfish lake.

Meet our CLIPCO Committees

Tammy Wang (Project Cornerstone Co-Lead)



- I have 2 boys - Tiberius (2nd grade) and Thorin (joining CLIP Fall 2023).
- My husband (Tin) and I are Bay Area natives - graduating from Monta Vista HS and Bellarmine College Prep.
- This is my 3rd year as a Project Cornerstone volunteer. I believe in the lessons we try to impart, teaching our children to be caring and inclusive individuals who can contribute in a positive way to our world.
- In our free time, we love to relax and travel. Photo of recent visit to Wind Turbines in Palm Springs.

Stacy Wong (Project Cornerstone Co-Lead)



- Mom to Iris (2nd grade) and Simon (Kindergarten).
- I'm from Singapore; grew up in Beijing, Hong Kong, and Tokyo before coming to the US for college.
- I like boba! But really, who doesn't? 😊
- My hobbies are: watercoloring, hip hop dance, reading.
- I bake a lot with my kids.
- I've been a Project Cornerstone reader for 2 years. I find the lessons so valuable and wish we had a program like this when I was growing up!



Nicole Jaramillo Bress (Project Cornerstone Co-Lead)



- Mother of 2 daughters (1st grader Nora and CuperDoodler Nadine)
- Born in Dallas, Texas, but grew up in So-Cal
- Happily married 10 years and counting
- Ran the LA Marathon and several half-marathons
- Briefly lived in Ecuador and DR Congo (Africa)
- Taught public school for 13 years

CLIP 5th Grade Day / 8th Grade Promotion

CLIP 5th Grade Day

5th grade day will be on Wednesday 6/7. There will be a movie in the morning, followed by bento lunch with teachers and IAs, followed games in the afternoon. A certificate ceremony will also take place in the afternoon. If you would like to help, please contact the 5th grade reps Ching and Emery.

CLIP Miller 8th Grade Promotion

CLIP Miller 8th Grade Promotion will be on Saturday June 3. Buy additional bento boxes for 8th Grade Promotion here. Questions? Please contact Ms. Lin.

Chia-ching Lin (8th Grade Promotion Chair)



- I was born and raised in Taiwan. After finishing high school in Taiwan, I came to the US to pursue higher education.
- I have three sons who have gone through the CLIP program K-8th. I have been a CLIP family since 2004 as a parent, teacher and assistant principal.
- I love to bake and make yummy desserts. I also like to sing karaoke in my leisure time.
- I have been to the CLIP promotion celebrations and Chinese New Year Parades since 2005.



北加州中文學校聯合會

Association of Northern California Chinese Schools

The 45th ANCCS Contest
Winners' List
學藝比賽得獎名單

Contest Category	Grade	Student
1st place in Group A Chinese Typing	8	Charisse Un
1st place in Group B Mandarin Speech	5	Katherine Sun
1st place in Group B Reading Comprehension	7	Judy Yu
1st place in Group B Western Painting	6	Sofia He
1st place in Group C Mandarin Speech	4	Celine Hairr
1st place in Group CD Pinyin Phonetics	5	Norah Tian
1st place in Group D Zhuyin Phonetics	1	Vanessa Liu
2nd place in Group A Impromptu Speech	8	Ashley Louie
2nd place in Group A Reading Comprehension	8	Han Chen
2nd place in Group CD Chinese brush painting	1	Natalie Chen
2nd place in Group D Cantonese Read Aloud	K	Chloe Chao
3rd place in Group B Chinese Calligraphy	6	Valdus Cheng
3rd place in Group B Pinyin Spelling	6	Logan Chao
3rd place in Group B Read Aloud	8	Shannon Zhang
3rd place in Group C Reading Comprehension	4	Aric Chen
3rd place in Group C Zhuyin Phonetics	3	Grace Li
3rd place in Group D Western Drawing	1	Naomi Pan
Honorable Mention in Group A Chinese Calligraphy	8	Nicolas Cheng
Honorable Mention in Group D Mandarin Speech	K	Dylan Tai

Congratulations to our ANCCS CLIP
winners!

2023 - 2024 CLIPCO Board Elections

Dear Parents,

It's unbelievable how quickly this year is flying by! As we've entered the later half of the school year, CLIPCO is now looking for volunteers to serve on its Board for the next term. As a reminder, CLIPCO's purpose as stated in its [bylaws](#) is the following:

1. Provide supplemental financial support to enrich and sustain CLIP
2. Enhance the relationship between students, parents, teachers, and school administration
3. Establish and maintain a strategy for program improvement in coordination with CUSD

Some examples of how CLIPCO board members carry these goals out are: attending monthly board meetings, providing updates to parents, representing parents' voice to the CLIPCO board, overseeing the budget and finances, participation in CLIP-wide celebrations and serving or leading various committees.

The current Executive Board will be ending their term at the end of this year and there will be several open board positions which need to be filled for next school year. In order to have a fully represented Board, the executive positions and at least one grade representative position for each grade level is needed. The requirements to be a grade representative is that your child must be in CLIP and your child must be in the grade you intend to represent. The term length is 2 years except for grades which have 2 open positions in which one person will serve one year and the other 2 years based on the number of votes received.

If you have decided to volunteer for a board position, it is a self nomination process and you can let me (loretta@cusdclipco.org) or your current [grade rep](#) know which position you are volunteering for within the nomination period. An election form will be sent to each grade during the election period with a short bio of those nominated. The parents of each specific grade will then elect the grade representative(s) into the CLIPCO board and their term will begin in August 2023. The Executive positions will be elected by the existing CLIPCO Board members at the April board meeting.

Below is a list of important dates for the election process and positions that will be open for the next term.

- 1. [COMPLETE] Nomination period: 3/13/2023 - 03/31/2023**
- 2. Grade Rep Elections: 4/03/2023 - 4/14/2023**
- 3. April CLIPCO Board Meeting and Executive Board election: 4/27/2023**

Available positions:

President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Vice Treasurer, Kindergarten (2 openings - fall elections), 1st Grade (1 opening), 2nd Grade (1 opening), 3rd Grade (1 opening), 4th Grade (2 openings), 5th Grade (1 opening), Sixth Grade (1 opening), Seventh Grade (1 opening), Eighth Grade (1 opening)

If you are interested in volunteering, learning more, or have any other questions, please reach out to your grade representative or myself. Thank you all in advance for your consideration in filling these important roles. I look forward to hearing from you!

Thank you, Loretta Lu, VP CLIPCO (loretta@cusdclipco.org)

Chinese Book Club

Every Wednesday starting April 12, Ms. Lien will be reading **西遊妖怪記** in Chinese online via Zoom. [Click here](#) for more info and to sign up. Hosted by Calabazas Branch Library.

Ms. Lien is a CLIP parent, 8th grade CLIP art teacher, and 5th grade rep.



Paper Parasols CLIP Art - Room 10 2nd Grade



Muir Basketball - Our 4th / 5th Grade boys basketball team's first game.





Muir News

Brunch on Us

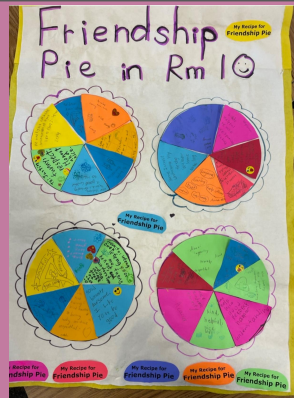


Thank you, 1st Grade!
Kindergarten Brunch on Us on April 12

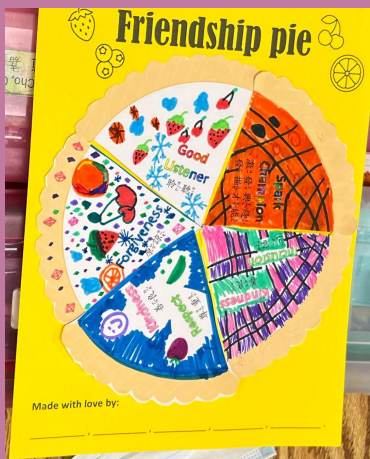
Safety Patrol

If your 4th/5th grader is interested in Traffic Safety Patrol and/or you are interested in being a parent volunteer, please sign up on Konstella.

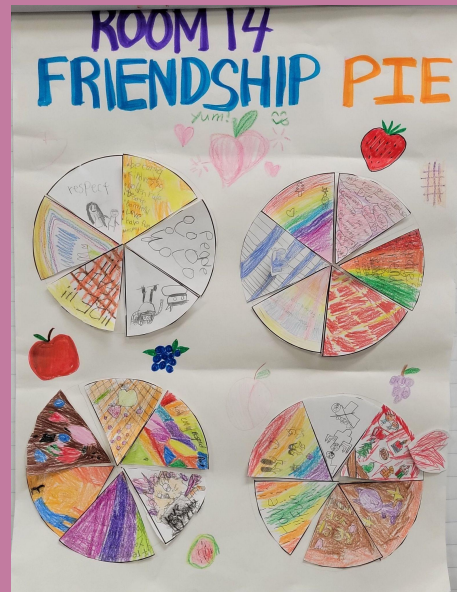
Project Cornerstone



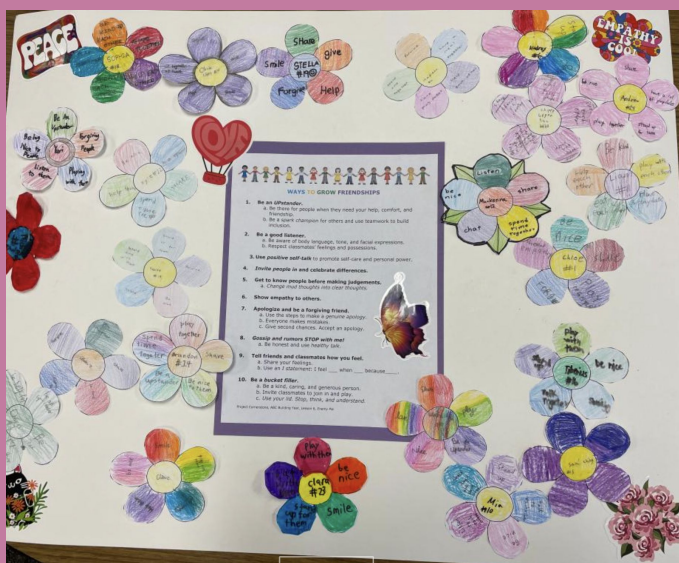
Room 10 (2nd Grade)
Shooting hoops like Chris Paul in
Long Shot: Never Too Small to Dream Big,
Friendship Pie



Room 13 (1st Grade):
Friendship Pie



Room 14 (1st Grade):
Friendship Pie



Room 9 (2nd Grade): Flower Garden on how to grow friendships
Book: *Enemy Pie*

March Winds & April Showers Bring Forth May Flowers



School
Decorations...

Thank you to our
Community
Events Team!

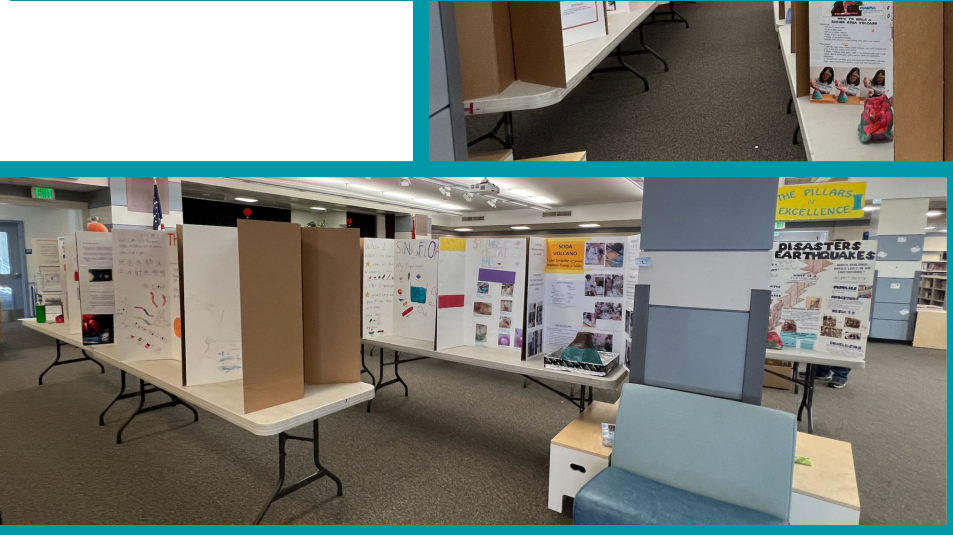
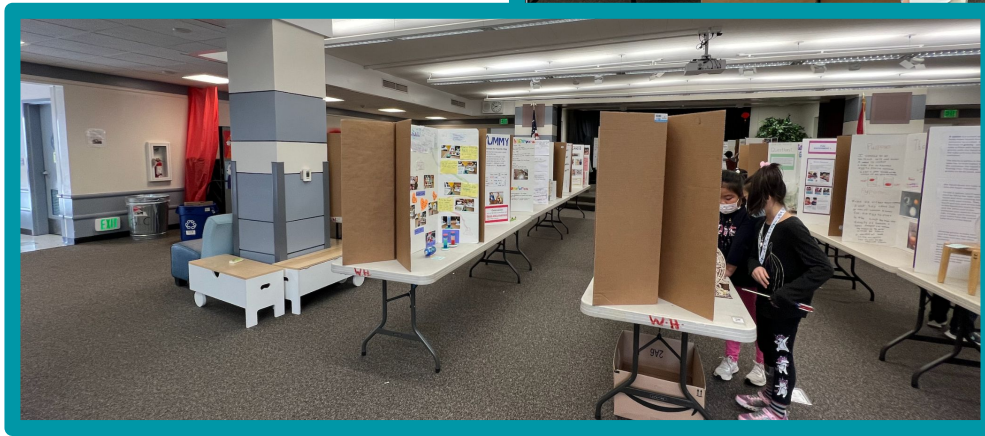


Muir Science Fair Photos

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Thank you for participating in
Science Fair!
See you next year!





Miller News

CLIP Promotion Event

We need 6th and 7th grade parent volunteers to assist with the CLIP Promotion Event! The 6th/7th parents will learn about the event planning from the 8th grade parent committee (so you can lead it next time) and also help run the event on the day – to be confirmed for early June.

If you are interested in helping, please reach out to:

- Ms. Lin – lin_chiaching@cusdk8.org (event chair)
- Jeremy – jeremy@cusdclipco.org (8th grade rep)

Congratulations to our CLIP students who received the **Superintendent Awards** on March 1. They are Isabelle Rust (6th grade) and Isabella Chiu (8th grade).





Miller News

6th Grade CLIP Miller Team Advances to 2023 VEX Robotics World Championship - Team Lazer Girlz, six girls who attend Miller Middle School in the 6th grade CLIP, participated in the VEX Regional State Championship on March 5, competing against the very best robotics programs in the Bay Area. The team ran into several obstacles during the tournament and fought through many setbacks but never gave up and steadily navigated through all those issues. The team performed very strongly in the skills challenge and based on their high total score was able to win a qualification to the 2023 VEX Robotics World Championship!

The team is composed of Audrey Wu, Kacie Chen, Lydia Cowan, Audrey Lin, Meera Ramasubramanian, Elizabeth Yip, and Coach Simon (Elizabeth's Father). The tournament will be hosted in Dallas, Texas from April 29th - May 2nd. We wish Team Lazer Girlz the best of luck.

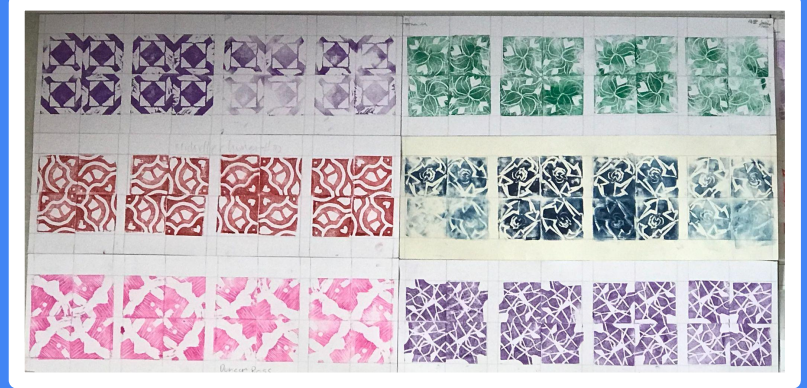
<https://roboticseducation.org/vex-robotics-world-championship/>

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Miller News



CLIP Art - Miller



Lunar New Year Lion Dance Performance





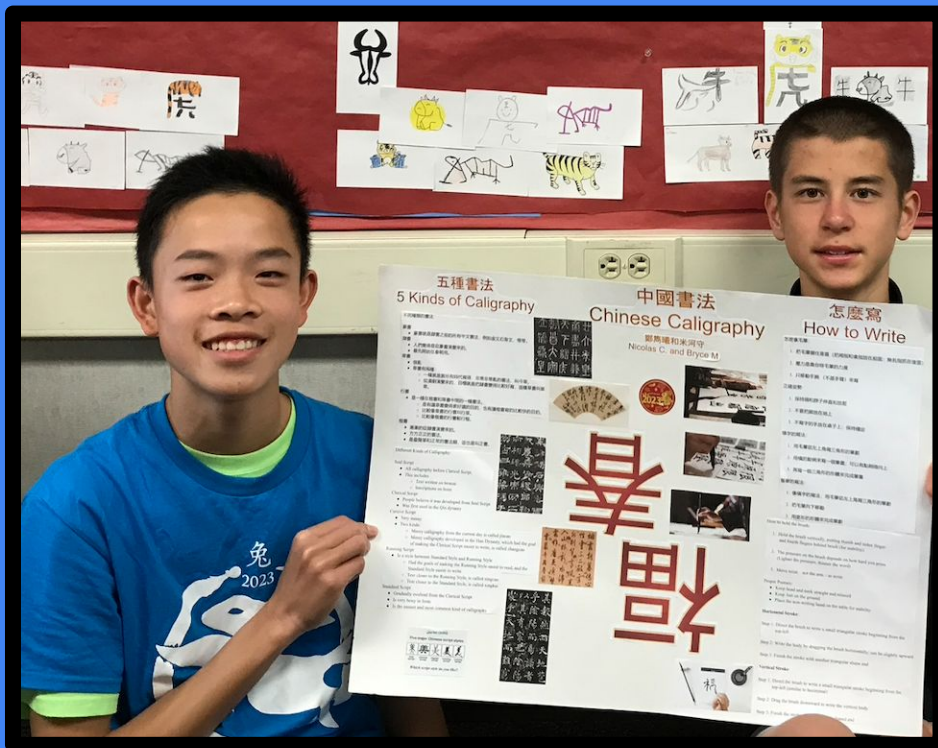
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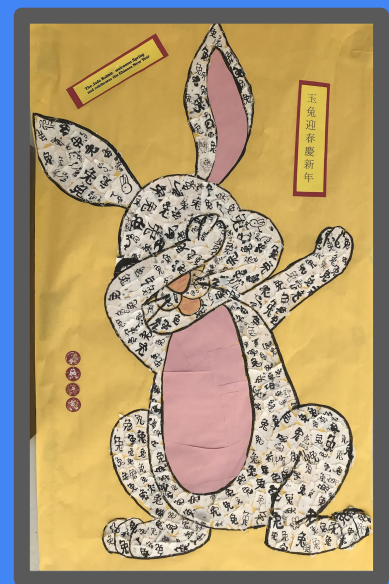
7th Grader: Bethany



ANCCS Winners:
Shannon, Valdus,
Nicolas, Han



8th-graders: Nicolas & Bryce



Miller Chinese Fair 米樂中國文化節

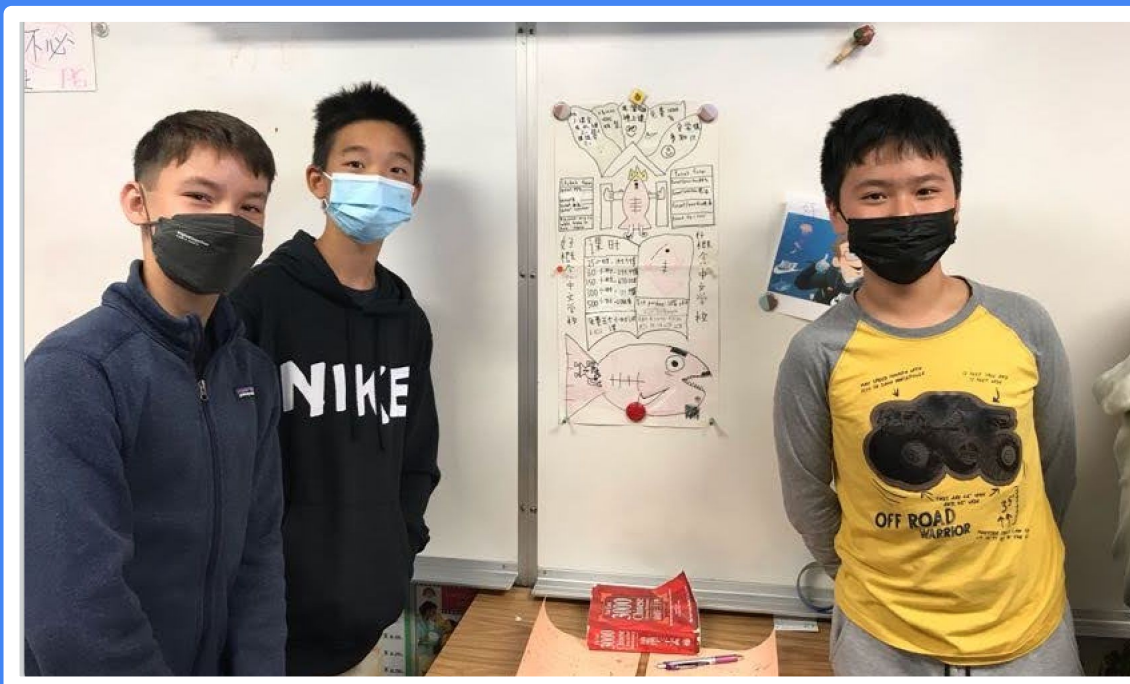


Miller News



Innovative
Trade Show
創意商展

8th-graders:
Quincy, Maddy,
Sophie



8th Graders:
Aiden,
Lucas, Ray



Miller News

粉筆地書

Chalk writing on pavement, Blessings for the Year of the Rabbit
8th Graders: Maxwell, James, Christopher



March 2023 CLIPCO Board Meeting Voting Summary



Board Approvals	Yes	No	Abstain	Result
Feb 2023 Minutes Approval	10	0	0	Approved

March 16, 2023 – CLIPCO Board [Meeting Notes](#)

Next Board Meeting:
Thursday, April 27, 2023
Muir GLC or [Google Meet](#)
6pm

2022-2023 Board Members

POSITION	NAME	EMAIL
President	Ken Huang	ken@cusdclipco.org
Vice President	Loretta Lu	loretta@cusdclipco.org
Secretary	See-Eng Phan	see-eng@cusdclipco.org
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Vice-Treasurer	Wendy Briggs	wendy@cusdclipco.org
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	May Wong	may.wong@cusdclipco.org
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	OPEN - Please Apply!	Email clipco@cusdclipco.org
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	Diana Ong	diana@cusdclipco.org
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	Cindy Ying	cindy.ying@cusdclipco.org
7th Grade	Kevin Jung	kevin@cusdclipco.org
	Kalila Spain Patty	kalila.patty@cusdclipco.org
8th Grade	Jeremy Gaustad	jeremy@cusdclipco.org
	OPEN - Please Apply!	Email clipco@cusdclipco.org

PROGRAM/ COMMITTEE	NAME
Book Fair	Joan Cheng
	Ivy Chien
Brunch on Us	Christina Thai
	Diana Ong
Parade Chair	Alan Fong
	Christine Wong
CLIP Art	Chwen Lim
CLIP ASEP	Nikki Tan
	Josephine Wu
CLIPCO Board Election	Loretta Lu
CLIPPER	Margaret Leung
	Wendy Briggs
Community Events	I-Lin Chen
Community Outreach	<u>Open - Apply Now</u>
DGC Chair	David F Chen
Hospitality	Ching Lien

PROGRAM/ COMMITTEE	NAME
Konstella	Elly Park
	Lalaine Chen
Mid-Autumn	Edison Chiu
Musical 2023-2024	<u>Open - Apply Now</u>
Project Cornerstone	Nicole Jaramillo Bress
	Stacy Wong
	Tammy Wang
Promotion Event Chair	Chia-ching Lin
Room Parent	Jeff Whalen
	Christine Kuo
Safety Patrol	Simon Chung
Science Fair	Lalaine Chen
	Ivy Chien
Survey	<u>Open - Apply Now</u>
Technology	David Chen
Website	Margaret Leung
Yearbook	Ivy Chien