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February 2024

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Calendar

February

MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
			1	2 Muir Spirit Day – Crazy Hat/Hair Day Miller report card
5	6 Miller SEL Connect Tuesday	7 Chuck E. Cheese event	8 CUSD Board Meeting	9 Muir daytime CNY performance
12	13	14 ❤️	15 CLIPCO Board Meeting - 6pm @ Muir GLC Grade 2 Brunch on Us	16 CLIP CNY Gala @ Miller
Chinese Book Fair at Muir				
19	20	21	22	23
No School - Mid-Winter Break				
26	27	28	29 Leap Day! CUSD Board Meeting	



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Calendar

March

MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
				1 Muir Multicultural Day
4	5	6	7 CUSD Board Meeting Grade 1 Brunch on Us	8 Kona Ice @ Miller
11	12 Miller SEL Connect Tuesday	13	14	15 Minimum Day Muir @12:10pm Miller @1:34pm
5th grade science camp				
8th grade Yosemite trip				
18	19	20	21 CLIPCO Board Meeting - 6pm @ Muir GLC Math Kangaroo	22
25	26 Miller SEL Connect Tuesday	27	28	29
Scholastic Book Fair at Miller				

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Meet the 4th Grade Teachers

Ms. Grace Lin 林老師
Room 21 - English teacher



What's the best thing about your job?

The best thing about my job is having meaningful conversations and seeing all the amazing work students are capable of.

What's a special memory you have of the kids?

A special memory is chuckling when students asked me whether there's property tax and interest on our classroom economy.

Anything else you'd like to share with the CLIP community?

I love traveling and encourage all students to travel more (especially to national parks)!

Ms. Erica Cheung 張老師
Room 22 - Chinese teacher



What's the best thing about your job?

The best thing about my job is the daily opportunity to witness the incredible growth and development of young minds. Each day brings discoveries, curiosity, and enthusiasm from our students. It's heartwarming to see the joy on their faces when they grasp a new concept or achieve a milestone.

What's a special memory you have of the kids?

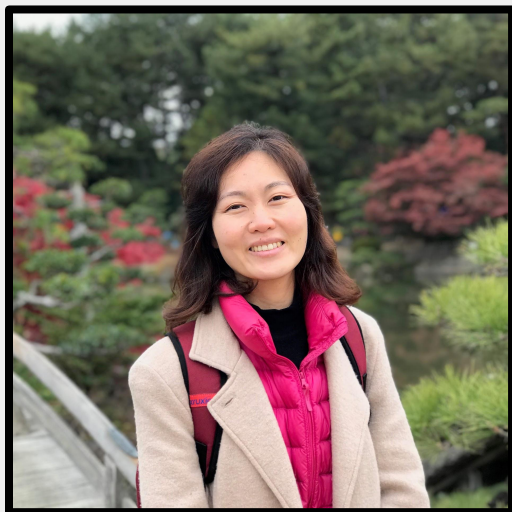
Last year, the 4th graders had an amazing field trip to Sacramento. It was truly remarkable that all the students arrived promptly at 7:00 AM, and despite the long day until 6:00 PM, their enthusiasm never waned. Witnessing their punctuality, engagement, and collective enjoyment made this trip truly memorable.

Anything else you'd like to share with the CLIP community?

Being the first Mandarin Immersion program in the Bay Area, CLIP is truly amazing. It's heartening to see many colleagues who were once CLIP parents are now working with CLIP. It has created a genuine sense of community.

Meet the 4th/5th Grade Teachers

Ms. Elizabeth Fang 方老師
Room 17 - English teacher



What's the best thing about your job?

The best thing about my job is getting to laugh with students and celebrate their growth each day!

What's a special memory you have of the kids?

Whenever students care for each other and me in their unique ways it warms my heart because it shows them growing into individuals who are able to think of others. For example: today after PE, one student came in and saw me typing furiously on the computer. She walked up to my desk before going to hers and said, "Make sure you rest your eyes, Ms. Fang" in a very sweet way. "So my eyes don't get so tired when using the computer?" I replied. She nodded her head. "Thank you so much, yes, I should do that," I responded with a smile and a twitch in my eye. These little "special" moments carry us through the days and years when teaching is tough, which is a given :)

Anything else you'd like to share with the CLIP community?

Celebrate the little victories (in others & in yourself)! Everyone needs encouragement. We are in this together.

Ms. Yujia Ji 冀老師
Room 18 - Chinese teacher



What's the best thing about your job?

Grow with the kids and learn something new from them every day. Keep myself updated.

What's a special memory you have of the kids?

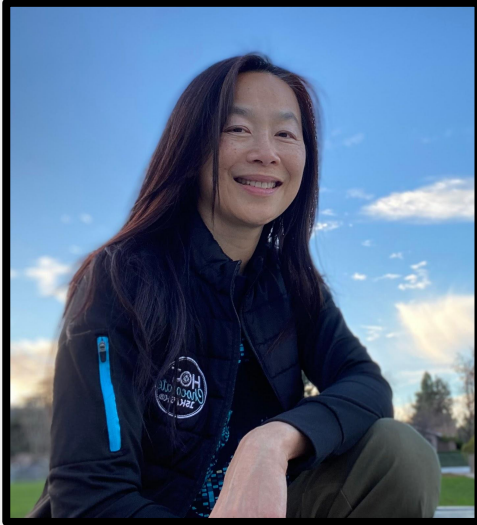
My students exhibit strong teamwork, possess a quick grasp of new concepts, and showcase exceptional creativity, consistently generating great ideas!

Anything else you'd like to share with the CLIP community?

Happy Lunar New Year to every family!

Meet the 5th Grade Teachers

Ms. Phoebe Yang 楊老師
Room 19 - Chinese teacher



What's the best thing about your job?

The best part of my job is its profound meaning. Watching students grow more mature and independent, preparing for their journey ahead, is truly rewarding.

What's a special memory you have of the kids?

I enjoy reading students' handwritten notes and engaging with their handmade crafts. The fact that they've dedicated time and effort to craft something for me truly warms my heart, and I hold these cherished memories close.

Anything else you'd like to share with the CLIP community?

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Mr Alex Smedile
Room 24 - English teacher



What's the best thing about your job?

The best thing about my job is interacting with students and being part of the exchange of creative ideas. Their fresh perspective and knowledge of the world inspire me, and I enjoy the continuous learning and brainstorming with them. My students give me greater purpose and their positive, energetic, and silly energy brings me joy each day.

What's a special memory you have of the kids?

A very simple activity on a normal day stands out to me. At our narrative publishing party, we read each other's writing and ate doughnuts together. Watching the room buzz with subdued excitement as students exchanged compliments, taking joy in the fruits of their hard work, is a special memory for me.

Anything else you'd like to share with the CLIP community?

Over the past four years teaching with CLIP, I've experienced a sense of respect, acceptance, and support from staff, students, and parents. I am grateful for the opportunity to share and learn from the diverse backgrounds and cultures that collectively form this vibrant community.

Meet the 4th/5th Grade IAs

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Ms. Suping Lee 李老師
4th/5th Chinese IA



What's the best thing about your job?

The most rewarding aspect of my job is earning the trust of parents, children and coworkers through our dedicated efforts. I feel fortunate to have the strong support of CLIP parents when assisting students

What's a special memory you have of the kids?

During the lunch break, students would often invite me to have lunch together and share their concerns and worries. I felt genuinely touched and honored by their openness, creating a meaningful connection beyond the classroom

Anything else you'd like to share with the CLIP community?

I am grateful for the unwavering support from CLIP parents, both in manpower and material resources. Your generous assistance enables teachers to teach with peace of mind, and your trust is truly valued.

Ms. Susan Yu 余老師
4th/5th English IA



What's the best thing about your job?

The best part of my job is to help students with their everyday learning one question at a time, no matter big or small. It's amazing to see them quickly grasp the idea and come up with a brilliant solution.

What's a special memory you have of the kids?

During the Teacher's Appreciation Week, students would give me special hand-made cards and crafts. One year, the whole class gave me a jar of stars with heartfelt notes written on each one.

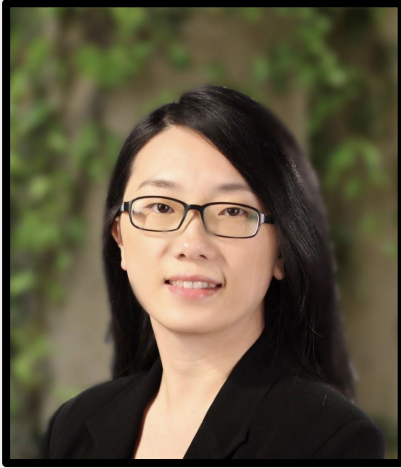
Anything else you'd like to share with the CLIP community?

We have an awesome community here at Muir. It's always a pleasure to work with our wonderful teachers, staff and parents!

Meet the 4th Grade Reps

I Lin Chen

Community Events Chair



- I have 3 kids, 2 boys and 1 girl, One in 4th grade, one in 1st grade, and one 4 year old.
- My day job, I am the Programs Manager for Stanford Research Park, and plan over 100 events a year.
- Before Stanford I worked at KTSF Channel 26, the Asian television station for 15 years and worked at the SF Chinese New Year parade.
- My hobby is lounging around and watching reruns of Chinese TV dramas and traveling around the world with my family.

Julie Siripoke

Decorations Committee



- I'm from Cambodia & my husband is from Thailand. We have 3 kids, a 7th grader at Miller and twin 4th graders at Muir, and a nephew in 2nd grade at Muir.
- I work for Kaiser Permanente in Supply Chain Service Technologies and my family has an Auto Body business with locations in Cupertino, Santa Clara & Milpitas.
- Our family loves to travel, RV camping, and learning to cook different cuisines.
- We would love to get to know more CLIP and families and are open to spontaneous invites (just reach out)!

Meet the 5th Grade Reps

Michelle Lee



- Originally from Penang, Malaysia, but have been in the SF Bay Area for a long time. My family also visit Hong Kong often.
- A new 5th grade representative, but have been a CLIP family for 9.5 years.
- My daughter graduated from Miller CLIP in June 2023 (see pic) and is now in high school (9th grade). My son is now in 5th grade, going to Miller CLIP soon in August.
- Working full-time in the pharmaceutical/ biotech industry.
- A former Girl Scout; currently, an active volunteer for Scouting (both BSA Cub Scouts & Girl Scouts of the USA).
- Can speak multiple languages: English, Malay, Cantonese, & basic Mandarin; also understand Fujianese & Hakka.

Summer Zhao



- Originally from Beijing, China; came to the US in 2008 and moved to the Bay Area in 2010.
- Two kids: older son Lucas is in 5th grade, and younger daughter Elena is in 1st grade.
- We have a 3.5-year-old French Bulldog named Blacko.
- First-time grade representative, and it's been a great experience.
- Working full-time as a field application engineer in the semiconductor industry.
- Planning to visit Japan and China this summer.

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CLIP Lunar New Year Gala

MILLER MIDDLE SCHOOL GYM

25 Year Anniversary Opening Remarks

ASEP Performance

Talent Show

Dinner

DJ Dance Party

Book Fair

Activities/Games

Friday, February 16, 2024

5:30 PM - 8:30 PM

<https://clip-lny.cheddarup.com>

Pre-Order Dinner



2/12/24 – 2/16/24

中文書展

CHINESE BOOK FAIR

Yo! Baby x Muir Elementary

您於學校書展會場的任何消費，Yo! Baby將捐贈總消費金額的10%給學校，幫助建立Muir Elementary雙語教學資源。

By supporting this book fair event, Yo! Baby will donate 10% of the sales to help expand Mandarin educational resources at Muir Elementary.

How to participate on-site:

Book Fair Date: 2/12/24 - 2/16/24

Location: Muir Elementary 6560 Hanover Dr., San Jose, CA 95129

Payment Option: Cash, Credit Card, or e-Gift Card is accepted on site.

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Jan 11 - Thank you for coming to our Lazy Dog Fundraiser! We raised **more than \$400 for CLIPCO**. See you at Chuck E. Cheese on Feb 7!



2024 Muir Chinese Language Contest (CLC)

Speaking-Based Events Results

2024年沐愛小學動態中文學術比賽

2024 Chinese Language Contest-Speaking Based Events held on 1/23/2024.

Speech

Group C		
1st	Rm 13 Vivienne C.	
Honorable Mention	Rm 18 Keale K.	Rm 22 Andrew C.
Group D		
1st	Rm 3 Ellie L.	Rm 15 Dorian C.
2nd	Rm 5 Dennis H.	
3rd	Rm 1 Kaisen H.	
Honorable Mention	Rm 2 Max P.	

Storytelling

3rd Grade	
1st	Rm 11 Jan June H.
2nd	Rm 11 Olivia C.
4th Grade	
1st	Rm 21 Eleanor H.
2nd	Rm 22 Bella W.
3rd	Rm 21 Albert G.
5th Grade	
1st	Rm 19 Adrian H.
2nd	Rm 19 Rhema L.
3rd	Rm 17 Jordyn C.

Read Aloud

Group B			
1st	Rm 24 Jui-An H.		
Honorable Mention	Rm 24 Karina C.	Rm 24 Lucy Z.	
Group C			
1st	Rm 14 Harper W.		
2nd	Rm 18 Miranda Y.	Rm 18 Samantha N.	
3rd	Rm 21 Wing Sze Y.		
Honorable Mention	Rm 7 Leo L.	Rm 11 Natalie T.	Rm 13 Eve C.
	Rm 14 Leon S.	Rm 14 Yuri E.	Rm 18 Zoe H.
	Rm 21 Emilia D.	Rm 21 Kiana H.	
Read Aloud D			
1st	Rm 3 Dylan T.		
2nd	Rm 3 Gemma Y.	Rm 3 Mandy H.	
3rd	Rm 3 Ashita B.	Rm 4 Jakub K.	Rm 5 Emma K.
	Rm 5 Johnny W.		
Honorable Mention	Rm 3 London Z.	Rm 3 Roger C.	Rm 4 Sophie H.
	Rm 4 William Z.	Rm 5 Aria C.	Rm 5 Caroline T.
	Rm 5 Ryker W.	Rm 15 Bowen M.	

Sing Along

Grade K			
1st	Rm 2 Sofie H.		
2nd	Rm 2 Lucy C.	Rm 6 Scarlett T.	
3rd	Rm 1 Victoria S.	Rm 2 Caleb L.	Rm 5 Audrey T.
	Rm 6 Anuhea K.		
Honorable Mention	Rm 1 Rainier H.	Rm 1 Tina W.	Rm 2 Chenyi W.
	Rm 5 Alexander N.		
1st Grade			
1st	Rm 15 Alicia L.		
2nd	Rm 4 Yiran M.	Rm 15 Evelyn C.	
Honorable Mention	Rm 3 Claire H.		
2nd Grade			
1st	Rm 7 Naomi P.		
2nd	Rm 7 Madysen H.		
3rd	Rm 7 Corey C.	Rm 8 Katie L.	
Honorable Mention	Rm 7 Oliver S.	Rm 8 Kai Y.	

Thank you for
participating!
Congratulations!



Muir News

CUSD and CLIP Registration

2024-2025 CUSD School Registration is happening! The Priority Registration Window ends February 14, 2024. For more information, see the [CUSD registration webpage](#).

- Students need to register with CUSD during Priority Registration Window. New families will also need to do a mandatory tour of Muir. Then during the open registration window (February 1, 2024 through February 16, 2024), they will sign up for the Muir lottery.
 - Current TK students currently attending CUSD for the 2023-2024 school year DO NOT need to complete 2024-2025 Priority Registration but need to do lottery.
 - Current CLIP families will need to register incoming students (unless already in TK) and will need to apply for open enrollment, but do NOT need to do the CLIP tour.
- For more information about how to enroll in CLIP at Muir, [sign up for the ParentSquare group](#).

CLIP Virtual Tours for 2024-2025

Virtual Tours for prospective parents in CLIP for the 2024-2025 school year have been scheduled for the following dates:

~~Tuesday, January 23, 2024.... 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.~~

~~Monday, January 29, 2024.... 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.~~

Wednesday, February 7, 2024.... 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

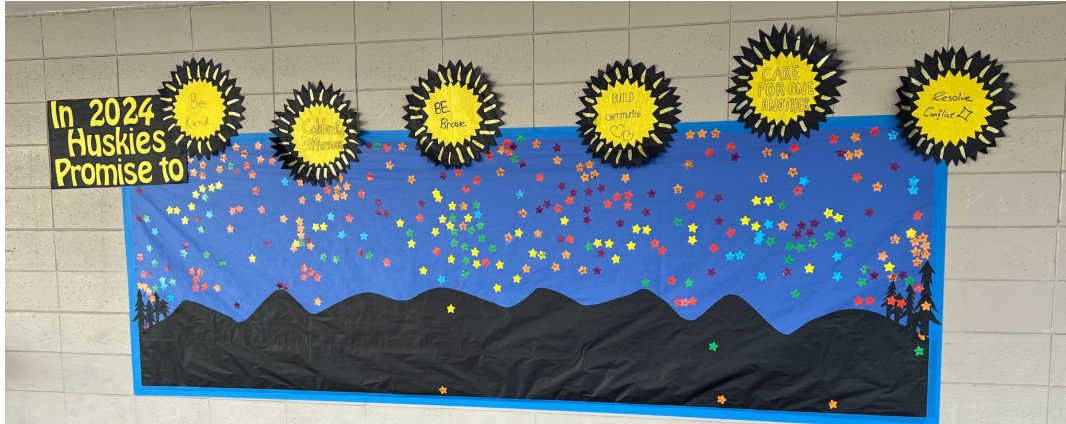
Thursday, February 15, 2024.... 3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Current CLIP families DO NOT need to attend the virtual tour, but you MUST enter your incoming student into the lottery in order to get sibling priority.



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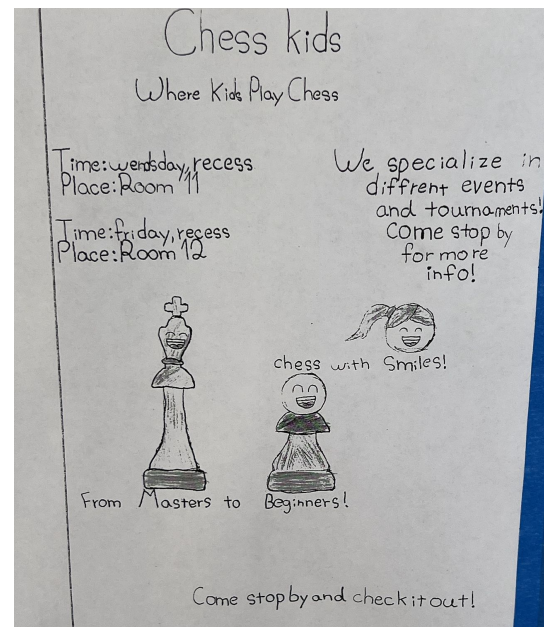
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Jan 18 - Class Picture Day



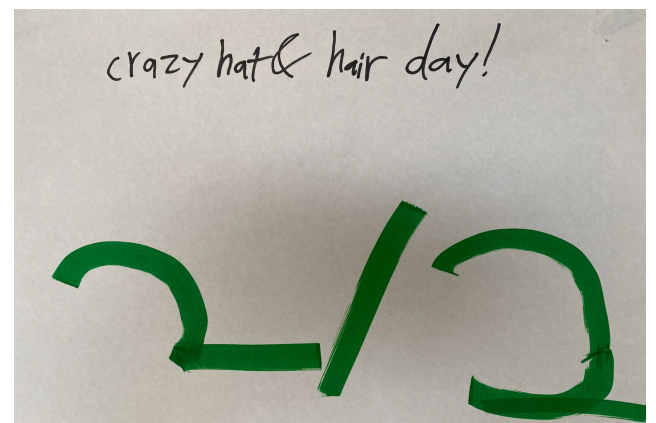
Muir's First Club!



Jan 17 - Author [Charlotte Cheng](#) visits



Feb 2 - Crazy Hat & Hair Day!





Art & CLIP Art

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7th grade - Islamic art



5th grade - Clay Food 粵菜



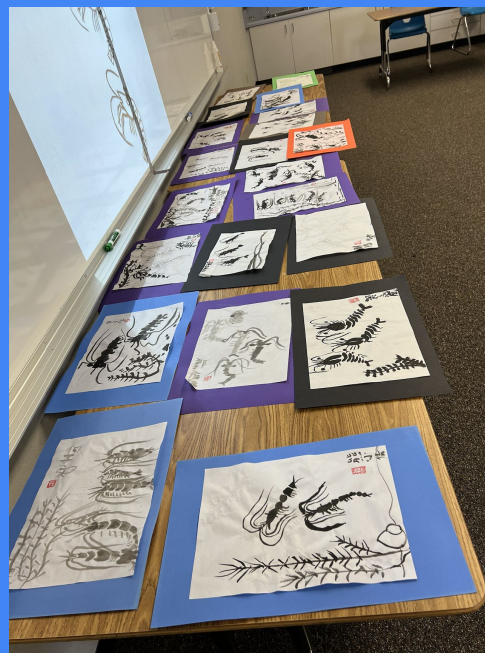
4th grade - Clay Figurines



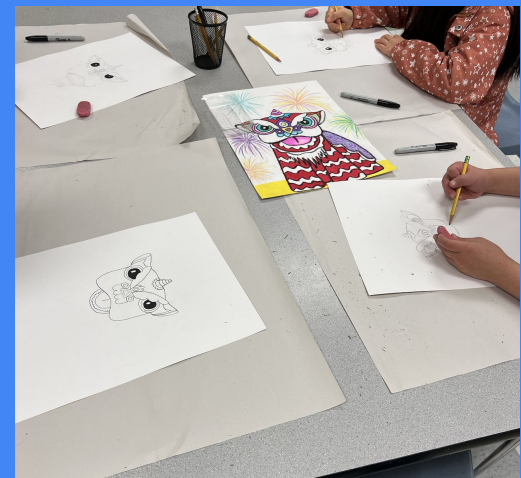
3rd Grade - Peacocks



3rd grade - Painted Shrimp



3rd grade - Lion Dancing





Project Cornerstone

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Room 8 Garland Craft - This is your Time by Ruby Bridges



Room 13 - Clovis Keeps his Cool



Room 12 - Clovis Keeps his Cool



Project Cornerstone parents cover serious topics such as inclusiveness, bullying and how to be an upstander, but they can let loose and be silly.



Muir News

Lost & Found

The Lost & Found is located on the shelves behind the office. Join [Lost & Found on Konstella](#) for semi-weekly pictures. We make an effort to return items that are labeled. If we find a lost item of your child's in lost and found, you will be added to the Konstella group.




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3rd Grade

Brunch on Us

2nd Grade Brunch on Us:
Feb 15, 2024



Miller News

Lynbrook High School Supplemental School Assignment Program

Current 8th graders at Miller can apply to attend Lynbrook High School.

APPLICATION DEADLINE IS FEBRUARY 11 AT 3:00 PM.

In order to be considered qualified to participate in the LHS Supplemental School Assignment Program, students must meet BOTH of the following criteria:

- Currently live within the Fremont Union High School district boundaries;
- Successfully completed Online Enrollment and Registration for the 2024-25 school year by the LSSAP Application Deadline.

For more information, [click here](#).

Feb 6: Incoming 9th Grade Course Information Night (last names A-Lim)

Feb 8: Incoming 9th Graders Course Information Night (last names: Lin-Z)

Feb 11: Deadline for Families to Apply for LSSAP Transfer Program

Jan 24 - CLIP middle school parents braved the rainy weather and got together in the Miller Library for Communita.



January 2024 CLIPCO Board Meeting Voting Summary



Board Approvals	Yes	No	Abstain	Result
December 2023 Minutes approval	15	0	0	Approved
Approve \$400 for Math Kangaroo	15	0	0	Approved
Approve \$5000 for Recess 101 for 4th and 5th grade	14	0	1	Approved

January 25 – CLIPCO Board [Meeting Notes](#)

Next Board Meeting:
Thursday, February 15, 2024
Muir GLC or [Google Meet](#)
6pm

2023-2024 Board Members

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Lalaine Chen

Ivy Chien

Phyllis Yang

CNY Parade Chair

Christine Wong

Soccer Coach

Coach Darleen

CLIP Art

Helen Lin

Konstella

Lalaine Chen

Loretta Lu

Donna Manousos

Technology

David Chen

CLIP ASEP

Margaret Leung

May Wong

Math Kangaroo

Volodymyr Borshch

Website

Margaret Leung

Wendy Briggs

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Wendy Briggs

Margaret Leung

See-Eng Phan

Musical

Hannah Sun

Project Cornerstone

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8th Grade Promotion

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