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**Kent Kern, Superintendent of Schools**

### *Friday Memo*

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Happy Friday, I hope you've all had a great week!

On Tuesday, San Juan Unified was joined by Clark/Sullivan Construction and Lionakis architects for a wonderful groundbreaking ceremony for students, staff and the community at Dyer-Kelly Elementary School. The future campus at Dyer-Kelly is generating a lot of excitement for a neighborhood that really needs a boost. The groundbreaking was well attended and garnered some nice media attention for the district from Fox 40, CBS13 and KCRA news channels. Click [here](#) and [here](#) for links to a couple of the news stories that have been posted online.

We have also worked to prepare Design-Build incremental work contracts for Dyer-Kelly and Greer Elementary projects. With Board of Education approval on Tuesday night, official work can begin at both sites on Wednesday.

On Wednesday, our team met with DPR Construction and Lionakis architects for an update on the Mira Loma High School signature project – a science wing. I couldn't be more impressed with the progress being made on the Mira Loma project already. Not that I had any doubt before, but this meeting really reaffirmed that we have the right team in place for an amazing project at Mira Loma.

Finally I want to note that we are moving forward on five fencing projects that will bring added safety and security to our campuses. Scope walks will soon begin at Mira Loma High, Thomas Edison Language Institute, Grand Oaks Elementary, Mission Avenue Open Elementary and Gold River Discovery Center. Our community has reinforced in recent weeks the importance of making sure all schools are equipped with adequate safety features that ensure a proper lockdown if ever needed. We are working closely with our Safe Schools department on each of these projects.

Have a great weekend,

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