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Rosemead School District Congratulates the Shuey Conga Kids Dance Team for being Awarded First Place at the District Level Competition

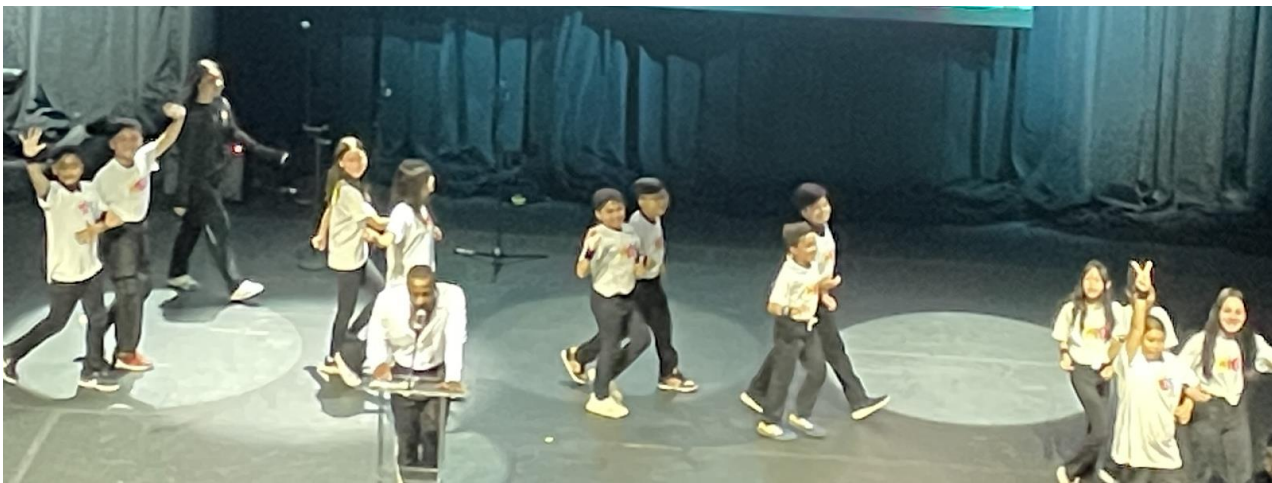
Rosemead, California: During its meeting on May 2, 2024, the Rosemead School District Board of Trustees recognized and congratulated the Shuey Conga Kids Dance Team for winning the semi-finals competition between schools on April 15, 2024. The Shuey team then advanced to the Conga Kids' Grand Finale Competition at LA Live's, NOVO in Downtown Los Angeles in May. The semi-finalists also performed at the City of Rosemead 1st Rosemead Youth Multicultural Fair.

The semi-finals competition included teams from each of the elementary schools comprised of 12 competitors from their 5th grade classes. Each student who was selected took part in 18 lessons and the students who were selected for the semi-finals received an extra two rehearsal days with a Teaching Artist. Each partner pair practiced their dance style of Merengue, Son Cubano/Salsa, Authentic Jazz, Cumbia, or Hip Hop.

The semi-finals team including: Andrea Jimenez, Ruoyi Zhang, Christine Lee, Maylaniece Lau, Nikita Huynh, Enzo Zhang, Quincy Wong, Caleb Ly, Kent Gonzalez, Kyle Goldstein, Adrian Lopez, Aiden Hernandez, Matthew Liu, and Coach Nina Tran.



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“Conga Kids has been instrumental in fostering confidence and aiding language acquisition among students. The interactive and physical nature of dance made it easier for students, especially English language learners, to grasp new vocabulary and concepts through contextual and kinesthetic learning methods. Through its innovative and engaging approach, the program enriches students' cultural knowledge, physical abilities, and equips students with essential life skills that contribute to their overall academic and personal development. It has been a positive experience for our Sharks,” conveyed Principal Dr. Debra Boeve.

“On behalf of the Board of Trustees, we are proud of your accomplishments and dedication to practicing the new dances. We applaud your grit in learning the steps and enjoying to dance. Congratulations on winning the semi-finals,” shared Board President John Quintanilla.

“Our partnership with Conga Kids has allowed us to continue expanding our performing arts offerings to our students. We are delighted at how much our students and staff have enjoyed the

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program. We are proud of our Shuey students for winning the district competition and representing us at the regional competition,” expressed Superintendent Dr. Alejandro Ruvalcaba.

On behalf of the Rosemead School District we congratulate each of our Conga Kids Semi-Finalists for their wonderful performances.

About the Rosemead School District

The Rosemead School District (RSD) was established in 1859 and is a Local Education Agency (LEA) led by Superintendent Dr. Alejandro Ruvalcaba. The District’s education program includes students in preschool, transitional kindergarten, kindergarten, and grades 1st through 8th. The Rosemead School District offers programs as follows and are not limited to: Full Day Kindergarten, English Language Development (ELD); Instrumental Music program (4th-8th grades); Student in Need program; State Preschool; Transitional Kindergarten; Before and Afterschool programs: K.S.A.R.T. (Kinder After School Recreational and Tutorial), A.S.A.R.T. (After School Recreational and Tutorial), A.S.E.S. (After School Education and Safety) program; Gifted and Talented Program (GATE); Science Olympiad; Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID); Franklin Covey’s Leader in Me[®] Program and 7-Habits[®]; Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports (PBIS); Migrant Education program; and Special Education programs. For more information about the Rosemead School District, please visit www.rosemead.k12.ca.us. For more information about school educational programs, please contact the Educational Services Department at (626) 312-2900 x213.

To learn more about the Mandarin Dual Language Immersion (DLI) program at Encinita Elementary School visit <https://www.rosemead.k12.ca.us/domain/321>.

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About the Conga Kids Dance Competition

The Conga Kids program includes promoting social and emotional well-being through social dance. To learn more about the Conga Kids program, please visit www.congakids.org.

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