South Bay Union Receives Molina Foundation Grant

Families Learning Together program for 2020

Imperial Beach, CA – On December 9, 2020, the South Bay Union School District received a grant of 29,756 new children’s books to help the families we serve create word-filled homes and promote reading and learning.

The donation was from The Molina Foundation as part of its Book Buddies 2020 program, Families Learning Together. The program’s goal is to provide resources to help children, parents, and caregivers read and learn together. More than 1.5 million books and magazines have been distributed through this program nationwide in response to the Coronavirus pandemic.

“We are very grateful to the Molina Foundation for this amazing donation,” said Superintendent Katie McNamara. “As a district focused on literacy, this donation will help to build our student’s at-home libraries, which is particularly important during Distance Learning. This is a wonderful gift for our community.”

Books will be distributed to students and families in early 2021 at special no-contact school events.

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About the South Bay Union School District:
The award winning South Bay Union School District proudly serves over 7,500 students in Imperial Beach, San Ysidro, and south San Diego. The District is comprised of twelve campuses, including nine K-6 schools, two K-8 charter schools, and one Preschool. South Bay offers several specialized programs including Dual Language, Instrumental Music, Leader in Me, Global Leadership and Empowerment, No Excuses University, Visual and Performing Arts, and a STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics) Academy.

About the Molina Foundation:
The Molina Foundation, a national nonprofit organization based in Southern California, is dedicated to the mission of reducing disparities in access to education and health.