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The L.A. Trust joins water allies, LAUSD administrators, students, and community members in recognition of new Washington Prep Hydration Station

- WHEN:** December 7, 2022, from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00p.m.
- WHERE:** George Washington Preparatory High School located at 10860 Denker Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90047
- WHO:** Speakers at the launch event include LAUSD Board Member District 1, Dr. George McKenna; Washington Prep. Principal, Tony Booker; LAUSD Facilities Director, Mark Chow; Golden State Water General Manager Southwest District Manager, Kate Nutting; Executive Director of WeTap, Evelyn Wendell; Metropolitan Water District Sr. Public Affairs Rep., Joseph Chavez, Jr.; and Director of Programs at The L.A. Trust, Marsha Ellis.
- WHAT:** The L.A. Trust and the Metropolitan Water District have donated water bottles for all 800 students at Washington Prep High School. Water-wise materials will also be distributed to students and campus staff by We Tap.
- WHY:** The new water station effort was led by Washington Prep Student Advisory Board water advocates through their successful partnerships with school administrators and facilities staff. Washington Prep students successfully advocated for three hydration stations at their school and worked with staff on where they would be placed. The school had several water fountains throughout the school, but some did not work properly or due to COVID-19 were not safe and adequate to use, making access to water a challenge. Recognizing the need, students took it upon themselves to advocate for hydration stations.

About The L.A. Trust

The Los Angeles Trust for Children's Health is an independent nonprofit agency bridging health and education to achieve student wellness. The L.A. Trust focuses on student health issues, including expanding healthcare access, mental health, substance use prevention, oral health, nutrition and healthy living, sexual and reproductive health, research, and student engagement.

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