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## SUPERINTENDENT

### It takes Community to Build Community

Our motto at Norwalk-La Mirada Unified School District is “Every Student. Future Ready. OUR PROMISE!” This promise is what drives our efforts and gives us the motivation to ensure we provide a world-class education to every student. However, this work cannot be fulfilled without a strong partnership with our community, and I’m very thankful and proud of the role it has played in making our vision a reality.

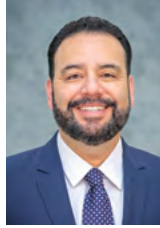
Heading that partnership is the Measure G bond, a community-backed capital improvement bond that ensures our facilities are of the highest quality for our students. In the last two years, we have completed revitalization and renovation projects at Benton Middle School, Hutchinson Middle School, Gardenhill Elementary School, Corvallis Middle School, John Glenn High School, Norwalk High School, and La Mirada High School.

The community is an equal shareholder in providing much-needed feedback to maximize student learning. My gratitude goes to the members of the Superintendent’s Community Council and the Superintendent’s Student Advisory Council. Both committees have met regularly to find ways we can further improve the educational experience for our students.

Last, our goal is to prepare our students academically and provide the social-emotional support needed for them to thrive in any setting. Thus, we have created a Wellness Center at each of our secondary schools providing mental health and social-emotional support to our students.

At the elementary level, students are supported by Elementary Student Support Specialists.

Norwalk-La Mirada takes immense pride in the resiliency of our communities during this unprecedented time. We will always strive to continuously improve in every aspect of the educational journey, preparing our students for a tomorrow full of promise.



**John M. Lopez**  
Superintendent

### Se Toma Una Comunidad Para Construir Comunidad

Nuestro lema en el Distrito Escolar Unificado de Norwalk-La Mirada es “Cada estudiante. Listo para el futuro. ¡NUESTRA PROMESA!” Esta promesa es lo que impulsa nuestros esfuerzos y nos da la motivación para asegurarnos de brindar una educación de clase mundial a todos los estudiantes. Sin embargo, este trabajo no se puede realizar sin una sólida asociación con nuestra comunidad, y estoy muy agradecido y orgulloso del papel que ha desempeñado para hacer realidad nuestra visión.

Encabezando esa asociación está el bono de la Medida G, un bono de mejora de capital respaldado por la comunidad que garantiza que nuestras instalaciones sean de la más alta calidad para nuestros estudiantes. En los últimos dos años, hemos completado proyectos de revitalización y renovación en la Escuela Intermedia Benton, la Escuela Intermedia Hutchinson, la Escuela Primaria Gardenhill, la Escuela Intermedia Corvallis, la Escuela Secundaria John Glenn, la Escuela Secundaria Norwalk, y la Escuela Secundaria La Mirada.

La comunidad es un accionista igualitario al proporcionar comentarios muy necesarios para maximizar el aprendizaje de los estudiantes. Mi gratitud va para los miembros del Consejo Comunitario del Superintendente y el Consejo Asesor Estudiantil del Superintendente. Ambos comités se han reunido regularmente para encontrar formas en las que podamos mejorar aún más la experiencia educativa de nuestros estudiantes.

Por último, nuestro objetivo es preparar a nuestros estudiantes académicamente y brindarles el apoyo socioemocional necesario para que prosperen en cualquier entorno. Por lo tanto, hemos creado un Centro de Bienestar en cada una de nuestras escuelas secundarias que brinda apoyo de salud mental y socioemocional a nuestros estudiantes.

A nivel de primaria, los estudiantes cuentan con el apoyo de Especialistas de Apoyo para Estudiantes de Primaria.

Norwalk-La Mirada se enorgullece inmensamente de la resiliencia de nuestras comunidades durante este tiempo sin precedentes. Siempre nos esforzaremos por mejorar continuamente en todos los aspectos del viaje educativo, preparando a nuestros estudiantes para un mañana lleno de promesas.



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## NLMUSD: Achievement through Adversity

### *From the District*

We are getting close to finishing the school year and with such, comes the opportunity to evaluate our practices and our response to students' needs after the pandemic. Throughout the year, our district has provided the tools and resources needed for our students to grow and achieve in these unprecedented times, and they have succeeded.

We are proud to share that several schools have been recognized for their achievement, a testament to the hard work and dedication of our staff. In December, Hutchinson Middle School received a Golden Bell award for its STEM Magnet program; in March, El Camino High School was named a 2022 Model Continuation High School; and in April, NLMUSD and 13 schools received the California Pivotal Practice Program award for having demonstrated innovation and exceptional work during Distance Learning in 2020-2021.

Our district has also established key partnerships and we are extremely thankful for their contribution. Los Angeles County Office of Education (LACOE) has supported the Community Schools Initiative at John Glenn High School applying a "whole-child" school improvement strategy where the district and school work closely with teachers, students, and families to align resources and support. The Early College program offered at Norwalk High School in conjunction with Cerritos College gives incoming 9th-grade students

the opportunity to complete college-level courses and graduate from high school with the equivalent of an Associate in Arts (AA) Degree.

NLMUSD has also partnered with California State University Long Beach (CSULB) in a seven-year, \$8.68 million-dollar grant from the U.S. Department of Education: Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs (GEAR-UP). This grant is intended to support middle school students and their families to help them graduate from high school and increase their opportunities for post-secondary education. Moreover, Benton Middle School received a \$10,000 dollar grant from the Foundation for Korean Language and Culture for the Korean language program offered at the school.

It is also rewarding to see a gradual return to normalcy for sports, clubs, and programs. The Honor Band students held their annual musical performance with great reviews; Norwalk High School held its 10th annual Charity for Charities event raising \$12,500 dollars for 22 local and international charities; middle schools held sports and competed in a variety of events; high school sports continue to excel throughout all high schools; last, the District Robotics competitions showcased the talents of students from across NLMUSD, to name a few.

We are extremely proud of the accomplishments of our students and staff and look forward to continuing to live by our motto: "Every Student. Future Ready. Our Promise!"



**The 2022 NLMUSD Honor Groups performance showcased the talented musicians throughout the District in an unforgettable night of music.**

## Board of Education



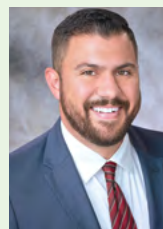
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*By Norma Amezcua,  
President, NLMUSD Board of Education*

As we approach the end of our 2021-2022 school year, we can positively say that we are moving into better times. These past two years have been extremely challenging and filled with uncertainty for our students, families, staff, and communities as we continue to navigate through the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Our Norwalk-La Mirada Unified School District has been working diligently to ensure it continues to provide all students the necessary tools, help, and support needed to succeed. Our NLMUSD Team has managed to provide all students with a safe, nurturing, and academic driven environment through its in person instructional learning as well as with the independent studies component.

One positive thing we have learned from this pandemic is that our students have continued to shine despite adversity. They are motivated, energetic, and eager to learn. They have picked up from where we left off two years ago. They are involved in school activities, clubs, sports, and are also giving back by volunteering in their communities. Another positive note for this year is that our senior students will be able to show off their happy faces as they proudly celebrate their accomplishments with pride during their prom night and graduation. We are very excited for them!

Lastly, we are extremely proud of our entire NLMUSD Team, which includes our teachers, classified staff, administrators, PTA, and all of our community partners who have been resilient, supportive, dedicated and collaborative to ensure our students receive the best education possible. They are the glue who holds our district together, without them we wouldn't be where we are now. A very special thanks to our Superintendent Dr. John Lopez, for his positive leadership and commitment to our district. Thank you for continuing to keep our motto alive:

"Every Student, Future Ready, Our Promise!"

On behalf of the Board of Education, we want to thank everyone for their patience, cooperation, and support during these challenging times. Rest assured that the health and safety of our entire district is our number one priority. We are hopeful that our 2022-2023 school year will be a brighter one. We wish you all a safe and healthy upcoming summer.

*By Norma Amezcua,  
Presidenta de la Junta de Educación del NLMUSD*

A medida que nos acercamos al final de nuestro año escolar 2021-2022, podemos decir positivamente que nos estamos moviendo hacia tiempos mejores. Estos últimos dos años han sido extremadamente desafiantes y llenos de incertidumbre para nuestros estudiantes, familias, personal, y comunidades a medida que continuamos navegando a través de los efectos de la pandemia de COVID-19.

Nuestro Distrito Escolar Unificado de Norwalk-La Mirada ha estado trabajando diligentemente para garantizar que continúe brindando a todos los estudiantes las herramientas, la ayuda y el apoyo necesarios para tener éxito. Nuestro equipo de NLMUSD ha logrado brindar a todos los estudiantes un entorno seguro, enriquecedor, y académico a través de su aprendizaje instructivo en persona, así como con el componente de estudios independientes.

Una cosa positiva que hemos aprendido de esta pandemia es que nuestros estudiantes han seguido brillando a pesar de la adversidad. Están motivados, llenos de energía y ansiosos por aprender. Han retomado desde donde nos quedamos hace dos años. Están involucrados en actividades escolares, clubes, deportes, y también están retribuyendo como voluntarios en sus comunidades. Otra nota positiva para este año es que nuestros estudiantes de último año podrán mostrar sus rostros felices mientras celebran con orgullo sus logros durante el baile de graduación y la noche de graduación. ¡Estamos muy emocionados por ellos!

Por último, estamos extremadamente orgullosos de todo nuestro equipo de NLMUSD, que incluye a nuestros maestros, personal clasificado, administradores, PTA y todos nuestros socios comunitarios que han sido resistentes, solidarios, dedicados y colaborativos para garantizar que nuestros estudiantes reciban la mejor educación posible. Ellos son el pegamento que mantiene unido a nuestro distrito, sin ellos no estaríamos donde estamos ahora. Un agradecimiento muy especial a nuestro Superintendente el Dr. John Lopez, por su liderazgo positivo y compromiso con nuestro distrito. Gracias por seguir manteniendo vivo nuestro lema:

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**Kay Coop**  
Founder/Publisher



As this year is coming to a close we want to thank you for always including *School News* among your reading choices. It has certainly been a couple of challenging years, but tomorrow looks brighter than ever.

We have included our popular student book reviews on pages 23-26. If your child would like to be a

columnist reviewing favorite books, please email me for information. Also, don't forget to enter our word search contests on pages 23 & 26 (all ages may enter).

Our next issue is October 12th. Have a wonderful summer and please remember to include the library in your summer activities.



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May is National Asthma and Allergy Awareness Month and it's around the time you start seeing running noses and itchy eyes. But is it a cold or allergies? Here are some tips to figure it out:

- Check the mucus, allergies tend to be thin and clear. Colds tend to be yellow or green and thick.
- Allergies tend to come on suddenly when your child is exposed to a trigger and lasts a while. Cold symptoms often start gradually and are done within two weeks.
- Typically, a fever won't be present in allergies, but colds come with a low-grade fever.
- If your child has watery or itchy eyes, it might be an allergic reaction. Watery and itchy eyes aren't usually a cold symptom.

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**Sharon Todd**  
*Director*

## Short-Term Career Training in the Health Care Field

Health care workers are in demand, and students in our communities have excellent options for short-term training in this field right here at home. Dental Assistant, Medical Assistant, Certified Nursing Assistant

(pre-certification), Pharmacy Technician and Medical Billing and Coding are all offered at the Norwalk-La Mirada Adult School. Our teachers have years of in-the-field experience and are passionate about their work and sharing their knowledge. Students enjoy using all sorts of medical tools, practicing diagnostic techniques on each other, and even learning the best ways to lower patient anxiety. Most of these programs include

internships in medical offices or care facilities, and many of our students have job offers before they finish the course! If this sound like a career for you, we invite you to stop in or contact us for more information. We will be happy to start you on a promising path!



**Student in the Medical Assisting class take notes from teacher, Tracy Armour.**

## Ramona Head Start *Pre-School*

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**Laurel Parker**  
*Director*

## Painting Workshop

We have been busy offering workshops for parents such as CPR/First Aid, Nutrition Education, and Abriendo Puertas. On Friday, April 27, parents and children will have the opportunity to participate in a virtual Family Fun Night. As parents sign up, they are being sent the supplies they'll need the painting workshop...paper, paint, and paintbrushes.

Another event that we are looking forward to is Open House on Wednesday, May 25 from 6-7 pm. All sites with Preschool classes will be open for parents to tour and children to show off what they've been learning. These sites will be hosting Open House: Chavez, Foster Road, Gallatin Center, Huerta, Johnston, Moffitt, New River, Nuffer, Ramona, and Sanchez.

Research supports that children who have a high-quality preschool experience perform higher academically in the K-12 system, with fewer needing special education services. In addition, a higher number of students who attended

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**Jamie at Johnston Preschool says, "I'm painting me."**

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**Benjamin Webster**  
Principal

## Live Performances

The Benton Middle School Theatre Department presented *Annie Jr.* over six sold-out nights in March and early April.

*Annie Jr.* was our first live performance in over two years and our cast and crew showed the very best of

amazing music, dance, and drama programs. In between performances, all art classrooms will display student work. Be sure to check us out on May 20 and see why Benton is the World's Greatest Middle School.

Benton. Our faculty and staff (Jennifer Nitschke, Naomi Gamez, Tiffany Churchill, and countless parents) gave students an unbelievable experience that will be remembered for a lifetime.

On Friday, May 20, Benton will be presenting *Kaleidoscope*—our end-of-the-year VAPA extravaganza. Benton will have three different stages featuring our



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**Dr. Nancy Ruvalcaba**  
Principal

## College and Career Day

On April 1st our counseling team hosted our first in-person College and Career Day since the 2019-2020 school closures here at Corvallis. There were approximately 20 presenters showcasing careers in the medical field, law enforcement, real estate, and

Norwalk High School staff and students got to showcase trades such as culinary and auto mechanics. Our NLMUSD board members, Mr. Tirado and Dr. Cancio, highlighted their own skills in engineering, as well as their military and college path to our students. We were also fortunate to have our Leadership students in action, guiding our presenters throughout our campus and our PTA hosting our presenter snack / food lounge with treats made by our Norwalk High School culinary students.

We are delighted to coordinate more in person events for



our students to add to their experiences that open up their perspectives towards a College and Career path!



# Dolland *Elementary School*

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**Dr. Lorena Sierra**  
*Principal*

## Voices in Many Forms

This year has presented us with many challenges, but with challenges come opportunities! At Dolland, we have taken a special interest in making school a place where student voices are heard.

Giving students a platform to express themselves and share who they are is important to us. To create this dynamic, we have introduced our students to Meet the Masters, where our students learn about the fascinating lives and famous works of the Master Artists. They are introduced to art vocabulary and art elements to help them create their own works of art. In addition, we have expanded our Dolland Music Program. Our music program has given students an opportunity to express themselves through music, singing and learning to play a musical instrument.

In addition, our schoolwide academic focus this year is writing. Students have learned to write narratives of their choice. This is helping build their writing skills and teaches them that writing is a powerful tool to help them convey a message.



**Mr. Manso's class sharing their works of art with Ms. Anderson, our Artist in Residence.**

Using these mediums to help students express themselves and expand their creativity has been a great way to help our students de-stress, share who they are, and boost their confidence. Go Huskies!

# Dulles *Elementary School*

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**Shanti Gallegos**  
*Principal*

## Connection

At Dulles, we strive to create an environment where everyone belongs and feels connected. This includes staff, students, and their families. We have

been excited that we were able to bring some of the activities back this year to connect with our families in person. Every year we have implemented focused activities to teach the importance of treating others with kindness. This year, we held a Kindness Week and are proud to share that we are a Kindness Certified School.

When parents were allowed back on campus we held a Read Across America Picnic and Open House. This was so exciting to have families back at Dulles. We were able



to see smiling faces and interact with each other. We are looking forward to connecting with families at our end of the year PTA Family BBQ. We believe that connection is key to feeling safe and learning.



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**Darryll Ramsey Jr.**  
*Principal*

## Spring into STEAM

Recently, Eastwood was able to bring back our Family STEAM Night. Students, collaborating with family members, were able to explore, create, and code as they visited

each of the activity stations. In addition to the science, technology, engineering, arts, and math stations, participants were able to work together to participate in the Family Egg Drop Challenge. Teams built landers to protect raw eggs that were dropped (or tossed) from the roof of the school. Each student who attended was awarded a raffle ticket that gave them an opportunity to win some of the STEAM related prizes. Families also donated materials that will be used in the creation of our new Innovation and Exploration Lab.



**Family working on their Egg Drop Challenge lander.**

Big shout out to Ms. White who coordinated the event, Ms. Levy who supported throughout, and all the volunteers who helped make the night a smashing success.

# Edmondson *Elementary School*

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**Sharon Stewart**  
*Principal*

## Edmondson's Budding Artists

We are so proud of our two PTA Reflections Award Recipients for the 2021-2022 school year at Edmondson Elementary. These two students,

Isabella Leyva (3rd Grade) and Miranda Mejia (4th Grade), shined with creativity through their artwork! They were honored at the district-wide NLMCPA Reflections Ceremony this spring, and it was wonderful to be able to celebrate in-person. Isabella and Miranda have inspired our students to explore their artistic talents and more students are looking forward to participating next year. Go Mighty Eagles!





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*Principal*

## Catch the Madness

Intramural sports returned to the El Camino campus this Spring with the return of the March Madness basketball tournament. Four teams competed for not only campus bragging rights, but for a pizza party and hats from local clothing designer Street Wise. Students really enjoyed the chance to get to show off their individual and team skills. The highlight of the entire tournament was in the semi-final game when Aristeo Torres hit a near half-court shot in double overtime to win the game for his team. The losing team sat in shock while the winning team mobbed Aristeo. El Camino would like to thank ASB Advisor Mrs. Michelle Santiago and ASB Vice-President Kaitlyn Romero for all the extra work they did behind the scenes to make the tournament a possibility.



**Va'afutu Mativa battles for a loose ball with Erik Grande during the March Madness Basketball Tournament at El Camino.**

# Escalona *Elementary School*

15135 Escalona Rd., La Mirada, CA 90638 • 562/210-2745 • [www.escalonaelem.org](http://www.escalonaelem.org)



**Bonnie Lytle**  
*Principal*

## Autism Awareness Day

Escalona staff and students observed World Autism Awareness Day on Friday, April 1, 2022. This year, our eleventh year of celebrating Autism Awareness Day and Month, our students engaged in activities that focused on raising awareness about autism spectrum disorders, what it means to be autistic, how to support people with autism and the difficulties and discrimination that people with autism face.

One highlight for students was having staff member, June Warmack, visit classrooms to provide background information about autism and how we can help individuals with this disability at school and throughout life. Students report having a greater understanding of autism spectrum disorders and the challenges faced by people affected with the disorder.



**Learning to raise awareness of autism spectrum disorder.**



# Foster Road *Elementary School*

13930 Foster Rd., La Mirada, CA 90638 • 562/210-2790 • [www.fosterstars.org](http://www.fosterstars.org)



**Salvador Villagomez**  
*Principal*

## STEAM Elements Progressing

This year at Foster Road has been quite exciting as we transition towards making our school a STEAM academy. We are proud to announce some positive results in the areas of Math, Art, and Engineering. In MATH, our beginning of the year scores indicated a huge need. Based on our mid-year progress in IReady

assessments, our focus has yielded progress scores that are among the top in the district. In the area of ART, all students have completed projects inspired by artists Vincent Van Gogh, Frida Kahlo, Katsushika Hokusai, and Faith Ringgold. We have also begun the process of integrating art projects with our Social Emotional Learning units. In the area of ENGINEERING, we have been able to have students construct wind powered cars, efficient boats, and high performing planes. The positive feedback from teachers and students indicate we are on the right track. Looking forward to next year!



**Engineering boats looks to be a great challenge for these 1st and 2nd graders.**

# Gardenhill *Elementary School*

14607 E. Gardenhill Dr., La Mirada, CA 90638 • 562/210-2840 • [www.gardenhill.org](http://www.gardenhill.org)



**Sarah Gilbert**  
*Principal*

## Building Strong Foundations in Math!

Gardenhill students continue to work vigorously in math, practicing critical thinking skills to gain strong foundations with the six mathematical practices. Every student is involved in Cognitively Guided Instruction (CGI), a student centered approach to teaching

math that supports learning in depth. The power of CGI according to third grade teacher Mrs. Yovino, is that students are learning from doing, rather than learning from the teacher telling them what to do. Teachers gain insight on students' critical thinking skills and foundational skills while watching them solve word problems. Problems are presented that students analyze, create models, design solutions, present and critique with peers. In this photo, third grade student

Sara Fernandez, shares her work with classmates as they ask questions on process, decisions, solutions and next steps. This collaborative culture has made it acceptable for students to question peers and realize, it's ok to make mistakes, we are all learning!



**Mrs. Yovino's 3rd Grade Class Engrossed in CGI!!!**



# Glazier *Elementary School*

10932 E. Excelsior Dr., Norwalk, CA 90650 • 562/210-2890 • [www.glazierelementary.org](http://www.glazierelementary.org)



**Dr. Susan Newcomb**  
*Principal*

## Glazier Garden: Happy 30th+1 Anniversary

The legacy of the Glazier Garden is extensive, with thousands of students engaging in a variety of ways across three decades! Submissions to the California Ag Fair across the years have resulted in many awards, which have been outlined in our application to the U.S. Department of Education for their Green Schools award/recognition program. During school closures in 2020 and our safe return to campus this year, Glazier teachers and PTA were creative in keeping the Glazier Garden and student-based Garden Club going strong. Across the year, students can be found immersed in actively observing plants, studying insects in the garden, preparing the soil, planting, measuring, and harvesting, as well as capturing detailed photos and writing about scientific processes and the beauty of Mother Nature. Student products are featured at the LA County Fair starting in May: We hope you get a chance to head out and celebrate the great work of our Gladiators!



# John Glenn *High School*

13520 Shoemaker Ave., Norwalk, CA 90650 • 562/210-3000 • [www.jghs.org](http://www.jghs.org)



**Dr. Jennifer Padilla**  
*Principal*

## Hard Work, Resilience, and Dedication

As we near the end of the school year, our JGHS Community is enjoying the results of a school year filled with hard work, resilience, and dedication. Our graduates are deciding which college offers to accept, our students are attending study trips to experience real-world application of their studies, our athletic teams are seeing victories, and our Visual

and Performing Art students are showcasing their talents - bringing in awards, creating weekly video segments, and performing their hearts out. We continue to enhance our Community School Partnership with a 2nd Food Drive Thru event of the school year and CSF is hosting its 2nd Blood Drive. Our Eagles are giving back to the JGHS community and beyond. With a few short weeks left of the 2021-2022 school year, we are Eagles, Soaring to New Heights!



**JGHS AVID Students visit the San Diego University in March, 2022.**



# Hutchinson *MS Math, Science, Technology Magnet*

13900 Estero Rd., La Mirada, CA 90638 • 562/210-2945 • [www.hutchinsonhawks.org](http://www.hutchinsonhawks.org)



**Jenny Bae**  
*Principal*

## Hutchinson's 10th District Festival

This month, the Hutchinson Middle School Music Department hosted the 10th District Band and Orchestra Festival at the historic Excelsior Auditorium. Bands and Orchestras from all the secondary schools in the district performed

on stage for the first time in over two years. The performances are evaluated by a team of professional music adjudicators and earn a rating. The Hutchinson Wind Ensemble and Orchestra received Unanimous Superior ratings, which is the highest rating! La Mirada HS Wind Ensemble and Orchestra, Benton MS Festival Ensemble, Norwalk High School Orchestra, Corvallis MS Band, and John Glenn HS Band also received unanimous Superiors. Los Alisos MS Band and Benton Orchestra received

a Superior rating. It was great to have students return to performing live music. Thank you to all who made this festival become a reality. Welcome Back to Music!



**Our amazing Band Director Craig Jordan.**

# Johnston *Elementary School*

13421 S. Fairford Ave., Norwalk, CA 90650 • 562/210-3120 • [www.ddjohnstonelementary.org](http://www.ddjohnstonelementary.org)



**Dr. Krystal Jones**  
*Principal*

## Every Student. Future Ready. Our Promise!

Our D.D. Johnston students recently celebrated College Week. Our goal is to prepare students for their future and begin college and career conversations as early as kindergarten. As part of this week, our students participated in dress up days by wearing their favorite college gear, dressing for success, and wearing bright colors to represent their bright future.

Students K-5 also created a poster about their dream college at home. Along with their parents, they researched information about the college and gave reasons why they want to attend there. Our Roadrunners were excited to present their poster to the class and learn about other colleges and universities.

We believe it is never too early for our students to start thinking about their future!



**Mrs. Padilla's class celebrating College Week.**



# La Mirada *High School*

13520 Adelfa Dr., La Mirada, CA 90638 • 562/210-3315 • [www.lamiradahs.org](http://www.lamiradahs.org)



**Lisa Reed**  
*Principal*

## Steampunk Art Show

If you ever wondered what a robot might look like, if it was made in the 1900s, then the Steampunk Art Show Carnival held at La Mirada High School on April 11 was for you! Steampunk is a retrofuturistic subgenre of science fantasy art form that incorporates technology and aesthetic designs inspired by 19th-century industrial steam-powered machinery. This year's Steampunk Art Show Carnival featured students' interpretation of this particular art form which combined elements of the 19th-century British Victorian era or the American "Wild West" style artwork. The year's event was well attended by over two hundred people, including students, staff, and community members. There were three art rooms used to display unique Steampunk artwork. In addition to the art exhibit, there were many fun games such as ring toss, shooting gallery, cakewalk, and food vendors. It was a fantastic exhibit of the inventiveness at La Mirada High School.



# La Pluma *Elementary School*

14420 La Pluma Dr., La Mirada, CA 90638 • 562/210-3205 • [www.laplumaelementary.org](http://www.laplumaelementary.org)



**Terry Pace**  
*Principal*

## Autism Awareness

"At La Pluma, We Make the Pieces Fit Together So Our Panthers Will Roar!"

It was an amazing 2021-2022 school year! We made the pieces fit together by balancing our efforts with an emphasis on academics as well as the social-emotional well-being of

our students. It was great to once

again see our students engaged in academic conversations, deepening their understanding of CGI in math, experiencing technology integration in all classrooms, and promoting college and career readiness through our AVID strategies and college-wear Wednesdays.

We made it a priority to address the social-emotional well-being of our students through our BIG 3; Be Safe,

Be Respectful, Be Responsible, and most importantly, BE KIND. Our students celebrated opportunities such as Random Acts of Kindness, participated in The Kid's Heart Challenge, promoted a canned food drive, and engaged in so many wonderful experiences throughout the year. It was great to be back on campus, celebrating each other, and hearing our Panthers Roar!



**At La Pluma, we make each piece fit together and celebrate our uniqueness.**

# Lampton *Elementary School*

14716 Elmcroft Ave., Norwalk, CA 90650 • 562/210-3255 • [www.lamptonschool.org](http://www.lamptonschool.org)



**Cindy Rayburn**  
Principal

## Building Number Sense

Skip counting, counting by tens, counting on, and friendly numbers are all terms you would hear during a session of Counting Collections. This effective math strategy is used throughout Lampton's primary grades to build

number sense, practice precision, and build flexibility in manipulating numbers.

We had to modify our Counting Collections work for distance learning, and also provide family workshops and hosted-sessions with our Cotsen mentor in the primary classrooms to help students and parents take on this work at home. This became our signature practice for engaging the primary students and their families during the school closure. For this work, Lampton was recently named a Pivotal Practice Award Winner by the California Department of Education.

When counting a collection, students make decisions about how to count and represent their collection. Collections can build in size from relatively small ones,



like under 30, to those well above 1,000. Our teachers also extend their students' thinking by asking questions like, "How many would you have if I took away 3 or 32?" Or, "How many more do you need to make 20, or 400?" The number sense that our students gain

from Counting Collections has enabled them to visualize these adjustments, and we have found that they can now make very accurate mental calculations.

Through Counting Collections, we have been able to see our kindergartners and first-graders count well over the amount required to satisfy the state standard. Check out the work of this pair of first-graders who started out counting by tens, and then combined their groups of 10 into groups of 100. They were ultimately able to count to over 1,000 items in their collection. The California standard for the first grade is to count to 120!

# Los Alisos *MS Math, Science, Technology Magnet*

14800 S. Jersey Ave., Norwalk, CA 90650 • 562/210-3495 • [www.losalisosmiddle.org](http://www.losalisosmiddle.org)



**Tania Magana**  
Principal

## The 3 E's

At Los Alisos our ASB, teachers, counselors, administrators and staff have focused on the 3 E's during the 2021-2022 school year: energy, enthusiasm, and events.

As a school we are committed to rebuilding a campus culture after nearly two years off by reaching students through

campus events -lunchtime activities, spirit weeks, and dances. We want students to have rigorous academics and a place of belonging where they can have fun. We also continue to build student-centered monthly assemblies that highlight our talented Lobos with their video production skills, musical, or singing abilities, we have made sure that students from all avenues feel celebrated. Los Alisos will close out the year strong!





# Moffitt *Elementary School*

13323 S. Goller Ave., Norwalk, CA 90650 • 562/210-3650 • [www.moffittmax.org](http://www.moffittmax.org)



**Gabriela Galvez-Reyna**  
*Principal*

## Celebrating Growth at Moffitt

Moffitt Mustangs had much to celebrate this week! During our first in-person assembly, we recognized all of the students who have already reached their typical growth and all of the students who were in green on i-Ready diagnostic 2. Fifty-nine percent of our students already reached their typical growth goal

in i-Ready reading after the second diagnostic in January. And exactly half of our Mustangs met that goal in math. Students gathered in the front of the assembly to be honored. Then they got to sprint through the green arch to the beat of some inspiring music.

This special assembly not only honored students, it also motivated students as they get ready to begin the third diagnostic for i-Ready.

Our assembly couldn't be complete until we all sang the Moffitt Mustang song together! What an awesome moment. "...Moffitt's the school for me!"



# Morrison *Elementary School*

13510 S. Maidstone Ave., Norwalk, CA 90650 • 562/210-3710 • [www.morrisonigers.org](http://www.morrisonigers.org)



**Rudy Gonzalez**  
*Principal*

## CA Pivotal Practice Award

Morrison was one of only 13 schools recently awarded the California Pivotal Practice Award. The implementation of Cognitively Guided Instruction and academic supports during distance and hybrid learning was pivotal to student growth and closing the achievement gap in math and ELA. This recognition is important to our staff and community because it represents all of the

hard work that we have done to create systems of support and interventions for all of our Tigers.

## Kids Heart Challenge

During the month of March, Morrison participated in the American Heart Association's (AHA) Kids Heart Challenge. This challenge encourages students to stay active and be kind, all while simultaneously raising life-saving donations to help those individuals battling heart diseases. Our goal was to raise \$2,000; however, our amazing Morrison community raised a total of \$3,412.43! For every \$10 that a student donated, they received a ticket to enter a raffle for an opportunity to pie our dean, Mr. Lazo, in the face. We held an assembly where all our lucky raffle winners got to toss a pie at Mr. Lazo while everyone else enjoyed the show!





# New River *Elementary School*

13432 S. Halcourt Ave., Norwalk, CA 90650 • 562/210-3770 • [www.newriverelementary.org](http://www.newriverelementary.org)



**Jody Gardner**  
*Principal*

## Building Community Through Gratitude

Students in Jennifer Yamaguchi's second grade classroom now end their day in a gratitude circle. Students have the opportunity to highlight parts of their day they are grateful for.

This school year, New River teachers took an active role in learning how to meet the needs of their students through advanced social emotional learning. Throughout the school year, the staff has been participating in a group book study around "Teacher's Guide to Trauma: 20 Things Kids with Trauma Wish Their Knew" by Dr. Melissa Said and Nathan Levy. Through this focus, teachers continued their training on how to meet the needs of their students' well-being. In April, Teresse Lewis from Collaborative Learning Solutions provided an in-service regarding trauma informed teaching and incorporating the 6 protective factors to build resiliency in students. Mrs. Yamaguchi is one of many teachers at New River putting her training into practice.



# Norwalk *High School*

11356 E. Leffingwell Rd., Norwalk, CA 90650 • 562/210-3830 • [www.norwalklancers.org](http://www.norwalklancers.org)



**Dr. David M. Olea**  
*Principal*

## NHS SkillsUSA is off to Atlanta Georgia

On April 22nd, students Keven Duran and Anthony Arellano represented Norwalk High School's SkillsUSA program at the state level presenting their Community Action Project. Under the guidance of Mr. Ken Cook, the NHS Race Team purchased a ran down golf cart with the goal of restoring it for a good cause. The outcome was the completion

of the "God Cart." Saint Maryanne's parish was the recipient of the "God Cart." The cart was customized and donated with the goal increasing accessibility for elderly and disabled parishioners. The NHS race team raised a total of \$2,400 dollars

and contributed over 100 hours of labor to complete this project. The cart is valued at approximately \$5,000 dollars. Both Keven and Anthony will be presenting their project at the Nation Leadership and Skills conference in Atlanta in June of 2022.





# Nuffer *Elementary School*

14821 S. Jersey Ave., Norwalk, CA 90650 • 562/210-4060 • [www.nufferelementary.org](http://www.nufferelementary.org)



**Makara Sar**  
Principal

## Don't Have a Cow!

Our students were so excited to have an assembly again! The Mobile Dairy came to Nuffer to explain the dairy process to our Bobcats. The students learned how they get milk at lunch as well as how cheese is made. Most of our students were familiar with the black and white Holstein cow, but

today they had the chance to meet and pet the Jersey cow.

Our 2021-2022 Teacher of the Year was honored on the court before a Los Angeles Clippers basketball game. Mrs. Sanchez and her family were treated to tickets to see her receive her award and watch the Clippers take on the Washington Wizards. Congratulations to our NLMUSD Teacher of the Year!



# Sanchez *Elementary School*

11960 E. 162nd St., Norwalk, CA 90650 • 562/210-4315

[www.sanchezelementary.org](http://www.sanchezelementary.org)



**Alicia Rubio**  
Principal

## The Mighty Dragons

The Robotic Team, named The Mighty Dragons, has been working after school for various weeks to prepare for the upcoming competition. The team is made up of 4th and 5th graders and is being guided by Martha Buenrostro, our Media Technician and Joshua James, one of our 5th grade teachers. The team has worked together to develop codes that the robot will use to navigate

through certain paths. We are excited to see how well our students do on May 5, 2022 when they are among the teams from other elementary schools. Good luck, Mighty Dragons!

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¡Cada estudiante, listo para el futuro, nuestra promesa!”

En nombre de la Junta de Educación, queremos agradecer a todos por su paciencia, cooperación, y apoyo durante estos tiempos difíciles. Tenga la seguridad de que la salud y la seguridad de todo nuestro distrito es nuestra prioridad número uno. Tenemos la esperanza de que nuestro año escolar 2022-2023 sea uno más brillante. Les deseamos a todos un verano venidero seguro y saludable.

# Southeast Academy *High School*

12940 E. Foster Rd., Norwalk, CA 90650 • 562/210-4700 • [www.southeastacademy.org](http://www.southeastacademy.org)



**MSgt. Marty Schafer**  
*USMC, Director*

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# Waite *MS Careers Magnet*

14320 S. Norwalk Blvd., Norwalk, CA 90650 • 562/210-4370 • [www.waitemiddle.org](http://www.waitemiddle.org)



**Adriana Nakano**  
*Principal*

## Waite and Norwalk High School Collaborate!

Waite MS with the support from Mr. Cook and members of the NHS Skills USA Chapter hosted a Special Education Awareness Fair. Students from Mr. Cook's program and Chef Tracy Horton's program provided an

enriching experience for not only special education students, but the entire Waite student population. Over 500 students were fed a delicious lunch and Waite's special education population collaborated with members of community by receiving haircuts and positive interactions such as playing cornhole! A huge shoutout to Mr. Greg Kuper and his staff for working side by side with our partners.





## Katie's Review



Katie C.

### Greek Mythology—Modernized

Title: *Percy Jackson Series*

Author: Rick Riordan

Looking to find a new series? Learn more about mythology in a modernized, contemporary way?

Read the Percy Jackson

series! Sure to be a thriller for all, this book wraps up Greek Mythology into books that are relatable, well written, and captivating. Take adventures down this mystical world—where time can be frozen, powers are held, and the globe is held under the fist of Mount Olympus: the home of the gods. Perhaps you resonate most with the children of the sea god Poseidon, or the goddess of wisdom Athena. This series was my favorite to read and is still just as entertaining. I give it a 5 out of 5 stars



Katie is a senior in high school. She likes reading and writing. She loves to read to younger kids. She provides book reviews to kids who want to find more good books.

## Jenna's Review



Jenna C.

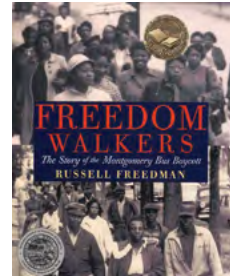
### Boycott of the Century

Title: *Freedom Walkers*

Author: Russell Freedman

The bus. The bus is the place where many Civil right movements have started. Buses are more influential than some books.

Could you believe, back then, MLK didn't know he was going to make one of the most popular speeches throughout history? Did you know John Lewis didn't know he was going to work with a bunch of different races and be treated equally? Did you know Claudette Colvin didn't know she was going to start a bus boycott? These all happened because they didn't know what was going to happen but they did it anyway and most importantly, somehow connected to the bus. I recommend this book to people who want to stand up for what's right.



Jenna is a 6th grader. She enjoys playing soccer and drawing. She likes to read fiction novels. Someday she wants to publish a book.

## Summer Fun—Word Search Contest

### Rules!

One word in the list is NOT in the word search.

When you have completed the word search, one word will be left and that word you email to: [Kay@schoolnewsrollcall.com](mailto:Kay@schoolnewsrollcall.com) Please put NLMSUD in the subject line.

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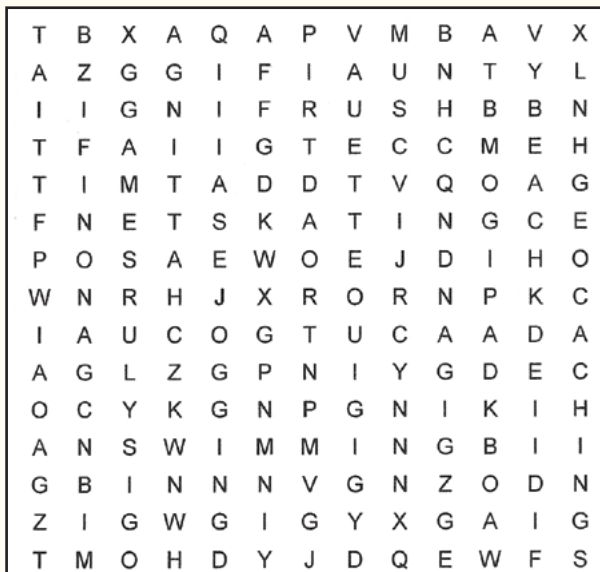
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Entries must be received by July 15, 2022

From the correct entries one name will be drawn to win a \$20 gift card to Barnes & Noble.



**Congratulations to Malina Johnson**  
Winner of our October Word Search Contest!

## Daniel's Review



**Daniel H.**

### Best Friends Forever?

Title: *Pea, Bee, & Jay: Farm Feud*

Author: Brian "Smitty" Smith

Best friends

Pea (a pea), Bee (a bee), and Jay (a bird) are back in this fourth book of the Pea, Bee, & Jay



series! Pea and Bee are arguing so Jay decides to go find new best friends. Then Pea and Bee try to find new best friends too. At the same time, there is a hungry snake who wants to eat them all! I really liked this funny book with cute characters who are silly and have good hearts. Read this book to find out what happens to them and also to learn the lesson that you should never forget about the friends you have.

Daniel is in second grade and he likes to spend time with his family playing board games, reading, and playing sports like tennis, soccer, and basketball.

## David's Review



**David H.**

### A Tortoise and Love

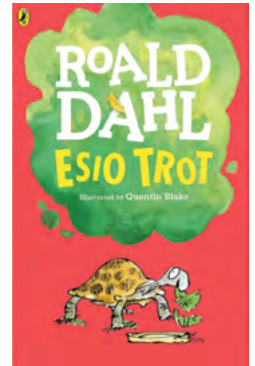
Title: *Esio Trot*

Author: Roald Dahl

*Esio Trot* is about

a very shy man named Mr. Hoppy and the woman he likes, Mrs. Silver. Mrs. Silver loves her

beloved pet tortoise Alfie and will do anything to make him grow. Mr. Hoppy comes up with a clever plan to make Alfie bigger and have Mrs. Silver fall in love with him. Read this book to find out what happens and if his plan works. I liked this story so much that I've read it multiple times! If you like tortoises and a little bit of love, you should definitely read this book.



David is in fourth grade and he loves to read and play piano. He likes math and outdoor activities such as rock climbing, tennis, and basketball.

## Taegyong's Book Review



**Taegyong K.**

### Love and Courage

Title: *Upside Down in the Middle of Nowhere*

Author: Julie T. Lamana  
Alex, Betsy, Donna, Elsa, and Fiona. Do you know what these are? They are not the names of my friends. They are all hurricane's names. This



book is about a girl and her family who lived in the Lower Ninth Ward of New Orleans where 'Hurricane Katrina' hit.

Armani Curtis is waiting for her 10th birthday. She is very excited for her birthday and looking forward to it. It seems that everything goes well. However, Hurricane Katrina hits her town on her birthday. What will happen to her and her family? Can she go through with this hard time? What do the boots in the book cover mean for her?

This is a realistic fiction story for upper graders. As you read the book, I am sure that you can find yourself cheering for Armani.

Taegyong K. is a 6th grader. She loves reading books and writing her own stories. Also, she likes to draw and play video games.

## Kailani's Review



**Kailani T.**

### Who is BOB?

*Bob* by Wendy Mass and Rebecca Stead is a magical fiction about a girl who helps an old friend find home. Olivia (Livy) is 10 years old when she travels to Australia to visit her grandmother she hasn't seen in 5 years. Livy doesn't



remember much from her last visit to grandma's, but when she sees Bob, she has a feeling she may have known him. Bob is a short greenish creature in a chicken suit. He doesn't know who he is. He doesn't remember anything about his family or where he came from. When Livy was 5, she promised she would help him find home. Bob has been waiting in her closet at grandma's house for Livy's return ever since. Livy and Bob become closer friends as they try to unravel the mystery of where Bob came from.

This book is sweet, emotional, and magical with a touch of suspense. I also learned more about friendship from the book. I give this book 5 stars.

Kailani is a 4th grader who loves to read. When not playing with her brother, Kailani likes to listen to music, ride horses, and play board games. Hope everyone stays well and healthy.





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## Yoona's Review



Yoona C.

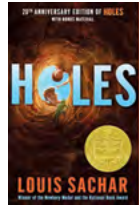
### Holes of Everything

Title: *Holes*

Author: Louis Sachar

This book has lots of themes like friendship and more! The main character of this book is Stanley. He was a 14 year old boy with no friends. He was bullied at school.

He goes to a horrible camp just because he did "something" without any evidence. The horrible thing about the camp is you have to dig very big holes. I mean big. The worst part, it's in the desert. You might think you could just have water to survive, but you have limited amounts of water! Stanley finally gets friends in the camp! He makes deals and has fun with his friends, although some "friends" turn out to be fake. He does get in trouble lots of times in the camp still without evidence. He experienced lots of hardships, but he survived. Yes, the camp was horrible, but there were some good parts! Find out what happens next!



Yoona is a 4th grader. She likes to read books and create stories. She also enjoys playing soccer.

## Tegan's Book Review

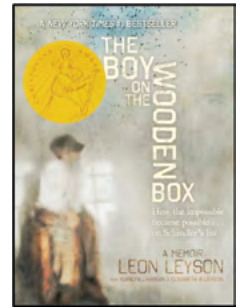


Tegan

### Moments of Hope

In this tragic but wonderful story, *The Boy on the Wooden Box*, author Leon Leyson shares his emotions of fear, confusion, and anger. With his early

childhood shattering into pieces as he is taken away and transported to a fatal concentration camp, separated from his friends and relatives. However, even as depression and pain surrounds his life, Leyson experiences unforgettable moments of hope that are unexpectedly injected, reminding me that through this pandemic that I am fortunate to have friends, family, and freedom. A bonus was reading that Leyson had lived his last few years in Fullerton, making me feel connected to his story more.



Tegan Y. is a fourth grader who enjoys art, mountain biking, tap, writing and reading.

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When you have completed the word search, one word will be left and that word you email to: [Kay@schoolnewsrollcall.com](mailto:Kay@schoolnewsrollcall.com) (Please put NLMUSD in the subject line)

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From the correct entries one name will be drawn to win a \$20 gift certificate redeemable at Barnes & Noble.

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