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Dr. Al Mijares
Superintendent

The Federal Census Bureau

In just a few months, you'll be asked to participate in one of democracy's most considerable responsibilities — and it shouldn't take more than a few minutes of your time.

As mandated by the U.S. Constitution, the federal Census Bureau conducts a nationwide population count once every 10 years. This is one of the few national

activities the American public does together. It's also easy, confidential and critically important to our students and their communities.

Along with establishing the number of congressional seats and electoral votes for each state, census data serves as the basis for deciding how approximately \$900 billion in federal funds are spent annually, impacting education, housing, public safety and other vital services.

These anonymous statistics also enable local governments to make highly consequential decisions about public safety, including staffing police and fire stations, and they help school districts plan for enrollment shifts.

Meanwhile, businesses rely on census data to open stores, offices and factories that generate new jobs. Real estate developers use these figures to construct new houses and revitalize aging neighborhoods. Residents use the census to support community initiatives.

Despite all that's at stake, our state is expected to lose about \$1,950 per person in annual federal funding as a result of undercounting. But a number of organizations are working to offset those losses by generating awareness in advance of the 2020 count. OCDE is among them, offering workshops for educators along with a social media campaign to help drive home some important points.

For example, we want to spread the word that the 2020 census will be easier than ever. Orange County families will be asked to respond starting in March, and the process should take about 10 minutes. In-person visits will only be made to households that don't respond online, by phone or by mail.

Another point worth noting is that any information collected by census-takers is confidential and can only be used for anonymous statistical purposes. In fact, every census employee takes an oath to protect your personal information for life.

Completing the census is easy, it's confidential and it's mandatory. But it's more than that. It's a way for all of us to participate in our democracy, ensuring that Congressional representation and taxpayer-funded resources are distributed equitably over the next decade.

Orange County students and families count. Now let's make sure they're counted.



Promotion & Graduation Schedule

Wednesday & Thursday, June 10 & 11 2020

Special Education School		
School	Time	Location
Tuesday, June 9, 2020* Canyon Hills	10:00 am	Gymnasium
Friday, June 5, 2020* Adult Transition Home School	10:00 am 3:30 pm	Parkside Education Center

Middle School Promotions			
School	Date	Time	Location
McPherson Magnet	June 11	8:15 am	McPherson School Cafeteria
Portola	June 11	8:00 am	Portola School Field
Yorba	June 10	10:00 am	Yorba School Field
Cerro Villa	June 11	10:30 am	Cerro Villa Outdoor Amphitheater
Santiago Charter	June 11	10:30 am	Santiago Outdoor Amphitheater
El Rancho Charter	June 10	6:30 pm	El Rancho Outdoor Amphitheater

High School Graduations			
School	Date	Time	Location
Canyon	June 11	4:00 pm	Fred Kelly Stadium
El Modena	June 11	1:00 pm	Fred Kelly Stadium
Orange	June 10	7:00 pm	Fred Kelly Stadium
Villa Park	June 11	7:00 pm	Fred Kelly Stadium
Richland Parkside	June 10	4:00 pm	Fred Kelly Stadium

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Dr. Gunn Marie Hansen

Four Orange Unified schools, Linda Vista Elementary, Chapman Hills Elementary, Villa Park Elementary, and Santiago Charter Middle School, received the prestigious 2020 Civic Learning Award of Merit. Co-sponsored by Chief Justice Tani G. Cantil-Sakauye and the State Superintendent of Public Instruction Tony Thurmond, this program recognizes K-12 public schools, celebrating their strong civics curriculum in school and service-learning projects in their communities.

Schools were awarded the Civic Learning Award in one or more of the following areas: discussions regarding current local, national, or international issues and events, performing school or community service(s) linked to the formal curriculum and classroom instruction (e.g., service learning), offering of extracurricular activities that provide opportunities for young people to get involved in their school or community (such as mock trial club), participation in classroom and/or school governance, student participation in simulations or role-plays of democratic processes and procedures, instruction in government, history, law, and democracy, beyond rote facts and dry procedures.

Santiago Charter is honored to be recognized for their civic learning curriculum for the fourth consecutive year. Santiago's 2020 Civic Learning honor highlights the collaboration between content area departments to help students identify a need in the community, research the need, development an action plan to raise money, bring awareness and take informed action to support the need.

Chapman Hills Elementary is honored to receive a Civic Learning Merit Award in recognition of their AVID Student Leadership's work around campus in addition to their collaboration with the Chapman Hills PTA to support the Holiday Heroes event.

Linda Vista Elementary is honored to be recognized for promoting civic learning through schoolwide events such as Constitution Day, when their fifth-grade students focus on the events and people that made our Constitution possible and bring this important information to life for

the younger students at Linda Vista. By becoming the critical characters in the quest for freedom and democracy, students learn the importance of civic responsibility.

Villa Park Elementary is honored to be selected as a 2020 Civic Learning Merit recipient in recognition of their peer mediation program, Restorative Practices, and service learning.

Congratulations to the principals and staff of these four excellent schools for this great achievement. One note of distinction the award program also identifies are models that can be replicated in other schools; we are looking forward to having our award recipients sharing the #EDGE across Orange Unified.

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As I am writing this the coronavirus has caused everyone in our communities to practice social distancing and to adjust their way of life. All of the health officials have stressed good hygiene and social precautions. As a Nation we will get through this.

This is a particularly difficult time for students not physically being in

school but the OUSD has responded and students have adjusted. Reading is always good and we have included two of our popular student book reviews to help with reading choices. Fun is just around the corner and on pages 26 & 27 are places you can plan your summer fun.

Stay well and we'll be back with our next issue May 27, 2020.

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Recurring Ear Infections and What to do



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An ear infection occurs as a result of inflammation of the middle ear, caused by a virus or bacteria. During an ear infection fluid builds up behind the eardrum. Most children have experienced at least one painful ear infection by age five.

Common symptoms of ear infections include pain, fever, fussiness or irritability, rubbing or tugging at an ear, and difficulty sleeping.

Most ear infections resolve on their own with simple treatments like rest or over-the-counter pain relievers. More severe ear infections may need antibiotics.

Many times, children struggle with repeated infections or persistent fluid which can result in hearing loss. In these cases, surgical care can help to prevent infections or lessen the frequency or severity of ear infections. One of the most common procedures performed by ear, nose and throat (ENT) specialists is a myringotomy and tube placement. According to the American Academy of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery, ear tube surgery is the most common childhood surgery performed with anesthesia.

A myringotomy is a surgical procedure that relieves pressure caused by the excessive build-up of fluid in the ears by making a small incision in the eardrum. After excess fluid is suctioned out, the ear tube is then inserted into the eardrum to allow air to reach the middle ear. The tubes will fall out on their own, usually a year after they are placed. While they are in place, they work to prevent further ear infections and help children avoid long-term complications.

If your child has severe, recurring ear infections, it's important to talk to a pediatric ENT specialist, like the team at MemorialCare Miller Children's & Women's Hospital Long Beach who can help determine what treatment option is best for your child.



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OUSD State Preschool

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Preschool Program

By Cheryl Sosa, Early Childhood Education Coordinator

OUSD's FREE, high quality State preschool program for 3 and 4 year olds will begin registration in April for the 2020-2021 school year! This year we have been hard at work with our new STEM based curriculum called Connect 4 Learning (C4L). C4L weaves literacy, STEM and social-emotional learning together to ensure that each student



is ready for school. Students work collaboratively and creatively towards a larger, project based goal such as converting their classroom into a coral reef! Is your child too young to start preschool? Don't worry!



We also have a Parent and Me program called Learning Links. This interactive class teaches parents how to interact with their child and is open to families with children from birth to 5. Call the Early Learning Center at 714-628-5577 for more information on both programs. Hurry! Limited space is available.

OUSD Alternative Education / ROP

Parkside Education Center: 250 S. Yorba St.. Orange, CA 92869

Spring is here!

Greetings from Parkside Education Center. The year has been flying by and we are all excited to have spring here!

Our staff and students have been working extremely hard to meet their learning objectives. Our Community Day School, Independent Study and Home School program will all be participating in the CAASP assessment beginning in late April.

Not only is this assessment vital to know how our students achieve, it also helps forge our instructional plan in the future. We look forward to an excellent test administration and obtaining data on student performance.

The Adult Transition Program at Parkside has a busy schedule leading up to our graduation on June 5th. Our learners are working diligently in preparation for the end of the year and getting ready for our Extended School Year program.

We are extremely excited for what the spring brings to our campus. If I can assist with anything or if you would like more information on one of our programs, feel free to contact me directly at 714-628-5479.



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Anaheim Hills *Elementary*

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Nicole VanWilgen-Moore
Principal

New Science Program

Anaheim Hills Elementary School received the new board-adopted elementary science curriculum, Amplify Science in February and started to implement it in classrooms with students right away. “Amplify Science blends hands-on investigations, literacy-rich activities, and interactive digital tools to empower students to think, read, write, and argue like real scientists and engineers” (Amplify.com, 2020).

AHES 6th-grade Panthers recently experienced the Microbiome unit focused on the question: “How can having 100 trillion microorganisms on and in the human body keep us healthy?” Students explored the idea that many organisms are microscopic- so small that they cannot be seen by the naked eye and related that to small microorganisms living on and in the human body. AHES 6th grade teacher, Melissa Morgan, shared “we were excited to get started with a new science program and students enjoyed the technology component as well as collaborating with peers as they explored the key concept.”



California *Elementary*

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Dr. John Albert
Principal

Technology and Language Flourish

California Elementary School home of the iInspire Academy where technology and language flourish just completed a series of very successful Open Enrollment events for our award winning Dual Immersion (DI) Spanish Academy for the 2020-2021 school

year. We opened our school to numerous packed parent tours

as well as a standing room only Open House event. The iInspire Spanish Academy is a recognized leader in global innovation and technology integration. All students in our iInspire Spanish Academy learn to be Trilingual in the languages of Spanish, Coding, and English while focusing on global leadership. Our students take home a school provided iPad with 24/7 access to infuse Computer Science Standards into the curriculum.



We provide extensive free after school enrichment clubs such as coding, 100 mile running club, film studio design, art, environmental studies, media creation, music creation, dance, and our award winning Drone club. In addition, we partner with Think Together, which provides free after school child care programs until 5:30 PM every night on our campus. All students receive breakfast and lunch as

a free service to our families. We have been recently awarded the Golden Ribbon award, Title I Achieving Award, twice recognized by the California School Board Association's Golden Bell award, and twice recognized as an Apple Distinguished School 2017-2019 & 2019-2021. We will be holding our last iInspire Spanish Academy Open Tour for the year on May 8, 2020 at 8:15 AM at California Elementary School. To inquire to be put on a waitlist for your 2020-2021 Kindergarten Student, request information about our all day TK Spanish Extension program, or ask about our free After School TK & Preschool Introduction to Spanish Dual Immersion classes please contact our office at 714-997-6104

Cambridge *Elementary*

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Diane Lew
Principal

Pep Rally

Cambridge Elementary School held a pep rally on January 21, 2020 to welcome its new mascot, Cam the Cub! Cambridge's very own pep squad

kicked things off with a special performance and were joined by the cheerleaders and mascots from both Orange High School and Chapman University. Cambridge has recently changed their mascot to the (Panther) Cubs in order to create stronger ties to their high school and local community. Cam the Cub represents all of the values that the students, staff, and families of Cambridge Elementary hold dear: being respectful; organized; college- and career-ready; and, kind. For the culmination, the principal of



Orange High School, Dennis McCuiston, joined Diane Lew, principal of Cambridge, to welcome Cam the Cambridge Cub to the Panther Den and led the crowd in an exciting cheer "Once a cub, always a panther!"

Canyon Rim *Elementary*

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Bree Tippets
Principal

Off to Healthy Start

Canyon Rim Roadrunners are off to a healthy start! Our students now take part in Morning Fitness the first 20 minutes of each school day. A "morning blast" of physical activity can benefit elementary students throughout the school day, according to a

new study co-authored by a Cato College of Education professor. Researchers have found that physical activity before class time led to increases in students' test scores, confidence in their academic abilities and overall physical well-being. Morning Fitness at Canyon Rim has also offered an excellent opportunity for developing student leadership. Our 6th grade students are working in focused groups at stations to teach and model the assortment of weekly physical activities they are assigned to the younger students. This has also allowed our students to create and execute lesson plans, build positive relationships with other Roadrunners



and foster self-esteem in various playground sports and games. The Canyon Rim faculty and staff is appreciative to Anaheim Hills Elementary for sharing their Morning Fitness success and best practices enabling our students to benefit from this valuable program.

Canyon Hills

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Dr. Karen Hanson
Coordinator

Variety of Learning Activities

As we pass the mid-year point of this school year, we reflect on the wide variety of learning activities, including outings in the community and seasonal celebrations at Canyon Hills. Over the past few months, students have participated in a variety of school activities including the annual Marionette Presentation, provided by our hardworking and supportive Canyon Hills Parent Group. Students enjoyed a fun

and educational experience. Additionally, an important partnership has grown between the school and the Anaheim Hills Rotary Club. The club will sponsor three campus activities this year, including the Winter Dance, held in December. This event was an opportunity for students to interact with one another, learn turn-taking, experience new sensory activities, and build fine and gross motor skills. Canyon Hills is most grateful for the support received from both the Parent Group and the Rotary Club in helping meet the unique mission of Canyon Hills, to expand the independence of all of our students.

Canyon High School

220 S. Imperial Hwy., Anaheim, CA 92807 • 714/532-8000



Craig Abercrombie
Principal

National Letter of Intent Signing

Eight Canyon High School seniors chose to continue their careers as student athletes at the National Letter of Intent Signing day on February 5, 2020. Jordyn Rodriguez and Sydney Ervine will continue playing soccer at Point Loma Nazarene University, while Emma Jackson and Kate Henderson will be play soccer for Hope International University and the University of Alabama respectively.

In addition, Alexis Rios will transition from the softball diamond at Canyon to the diamond at Cal State University, San Bernardino; and Nathan Campbell will move on to continue his volleyball career at Concordia University. Football player Joey Rouly will be heading to Utah State University in the fall while his teammate Olawale Familoni will be taking the field for the United States Air Force Academy. Canyon High School is extremely proud of the hard work and commitment these student athletes made in the classroom and on the courts and fields while representing the Comanche's.



Cerro Villa *Middle School*

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Lisa Ogan
Principal

Wellness Center

We are proud and excited to announce the Wellness Center at Cerro Villa, the first of its kind in OUSD! This center eliminates barriers to learning by providing students with a school-based program to increase academic support and access to mental health services and resources. The Wellness Center is in direct alignment with Orange

Unified EDGE Strategic Plan by recognizing that a safe and respectful environment is essential to student success. We appreciate the efforts of our school psychologist, counselors and parents, especially Mrs. Nicol Jones and Mrs. Kathryn White. They, along with the support of our community and district, have made this vision into reality! In its sixth week of operation, the center has already helped students focus on their academics in a positive manner. We look forward to maintaining our goal of students thriving emotionally and academically!



Chapman Hills *Elementary*

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Jana Saenz
Principal

We Did It!

We are 100 days smarter! In honor of our 100th day of school, our very fashionable TK kiddos dressed up in clothing they created with 100 items on it. To show off their 100th day inspired designer duds, the TKers held a Fashion Show where they each walked the red carpet catwalk. The TK kiddos had a blast as they were cheered on by adoring fans, as the audience was filled with their 5th grade Big Buddies. Our Bobcat pride shined throughout the day.

The celebration continued the next day as our keen Kindergartners pounced their way into the 101st day of school dressed up like Dalmatians. These paw-some



spotted little pups spent their day creating a variety of STEAM projects, including Lego dog houses and playgrounds, Dalmatians out of marshmallows and toothpicks and even some yummy puppy treats. It was a fun filled spot on day of learning.

Crescent *Elementary*

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Shelé Tamaki
Principal

Teacher of the Year

Crescent Elementary is proud to announce Lauren Caughren has been named by her colleagues Crescent's Teacher of the Year. Lauren is new to Crescent this year, and has worked in OUSD for three years and seven years teaching in total. As Crescent's Education Specialist, Lauren came with a desire to meet the learning needs of all her

students under her wing. She works tremendously hard supporting each student's educational goals so they can be successful in school. Lauren is also a spin instructor at GritCycle in Anaheim Hills. She recently ran a free class for Canyon High School's wrestling team to get their teams ready for their league competition. The wrestlers worked hard during their 45-minute workout! Crescent is very proud to have Lauren part of the staff this year and greatly appreciates the professionalism and energy she brings.



El Modena *High School*

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Jill Katevas
Principal

Marketing Experience

The Digital Marketing Collaborative (formerly CTP) at El Modena High school offers seniors two unique experiences: Professional Internship: Marketing in our Spyder3D Lab and Virtual Enterprise. In Professional Internship

(PI) with Mr. Miles, DMC students take customer orders for logos, banners, stickers, buttons, or t-shirts, design and create products for real-world clients, bill clients, and deliver products. Many of their products are on display around the El Modena campus. PI students travel to the CSUF Marketing lab to shadow college students as they complete similar projects at the college level.

In Virtual Enterprise with Mr. Doug Franco, DMC seniors with an entrepreneurial spirit create a virtual business and compete with schools from all over Southern California at local trade shows. By graduation, DMC students have actual marketing experience for their resumes and beyond.



El Rancho Charter *Middle School*

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Michele Walker
Principal

Elective Classes

This year El Rancho Charter School invited all of our feeder elementary schools to come visit our campus and spend a few hours getting to know us and our robust elective classes. Students saw the incredible work being done in our woodshop classes with students building their own skateboards, gum ball machines, and even electric guitars. In home economics,

students were able to smell the wonderful lasagna being baked in the oven and got a preview of other projects they would work on throughout the year. The performing arts department demonstrated first-hand the hard work and dedication involved in performing for our musical theatre production of “You’re a Good Man, Charlie Brown.” Tours concluded with a Q&A session hosted by our amazing ASB students. Here, the elementary students were able to ask questions regarding their upcoming tenure at El Rancho Charter School.



Esplanade *Elementary*

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Christina Yokoyama
Principal

Kindness Week

The last week of January is a week that is dedicated to kindness. This year, our Esplanade Eagles participated in the Great Kindness Challenge for the very first time and joined millions of students across thousands of schools in creating a culture of kindness. The Great Kindness Challenge is a proactive and positive bullying prevention initiative aimed at creating a positive school culture. It is one week of the year

devoted to encouraging families and students to perform as many acts of kindness as possible at school, at home, and in the community. To start the week, students were introduced to the Great Kindness Challenge checklist and each day, students were encouraged to complete as many acts of kindness as they could and check them off the list. Family lists were also sent home, with a challenge to parents to join in the kindness movement and work together as a family to spread a culture of kindness in their neighborhoods and community. Classes began lists such as the “100 Acts of Kindness,” wrote thank you notes, or created the Kindness chain in which students wrote their

acts of kindness on a strip of paper and then each strip of paper was formed into a ring and connected to the other acts of kindness. The acts of kindness were so numerous, and a chain was created that became so long that it began at the upper grade classrooms and spread across the school all the way to the kindergarten and TK classrooms. It was truly inspiring to read what students wrote and to see them focused on being kind, compassionate, and accepting. In addition to the focus on acts of kindness, Esplanade also participated in the Kind Coins campaign. Each year, the Kind Coins campaign funds a global service project through the collection of pocket change starting with the Great Kindness Challenge in January and running through the end of February. Past projects include building schools in Kenya and Pakistan; building playgrounds in hurricane impacted communities such as Texas, Florida, and Puerto Rico; building a health clinic in Liberia; and this year, building a school in Mexico. The campaign taught Esplanade’s students about being global citizens and philanthropy. It was truly an honor to participate in and be part of the 2020 Great Kindness Challenge and we can’t wait to do it again next year and see how it continues to grow at Esplanade because Kindness Matters!

Fairhaven *Elementary*

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Karen Sandors
Principal

Science

Fairhaven Elementary had a great evening of learning and engaging in science. During STEM Night students and their parents worked together on various STEM projects. Some of these activities included Screaming Balloons where participants learned about the science of motion and sound. Students learned how to fool their brains with the Optical Illusion activity. The Flights of Fancy had families learning the mechanics of paper airplane folding along with running experiments on accuracy and distance. Making slime and making marshmallow launchers are always popular activities where students learn about solids and liquids and how to build and launch a catapult. We even learned how to make raisins dance! It is always a fun night when families come together to learn and play together. Students love learning through these activities and teachers love that we are helping to prepare them for future careers.



Fletcher *Elementary*

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Sara Pelly
Principal

Project-Based Learning

Under the guidance of Resource Teacher Carol Beaumont, Fletcher Elementary GATE students are participating in Project-based Learning that centers on solving a real life problem. After choosing something they are passionate about, students submit a proposal in which they define the problem, identify why it is important to them, what difference it will make in the world, and how they will

know when their problem is solved. They use Costa's Levels of Questioning to generate higher-level questions, research their subject, take notes, and develop a plan. Students then create a presentation using Google Slides, green screen video or other means to communicate their plan to other students. If the problem is local or school related, they may present to other classes or parent groups. When the process is complete, they have a chance to reflect on their project and possibly continue to implement their plan. Go Falcons!



Handy *Elementary*

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Erika Krohn
Principal

What is AVID?

AVID stands for Advancement Via Individual Determination. AVID Elementary is a foundational component of the AVID College Readiness System, and supports AVID's mission to close the achievement gap by preparing all students for college readiness and success in a global society by teaching:

- Organization
- Agendas, organizational tools, note-taking strategies
- WICOR
- Writing to Learn
- Inquiry

- Collaboration
- Organization
- Reading to Learn
- Student Success Skills: Communication skills, study skills, time management, goal setting
- Partnerships

A Day in the AVID Classroom:

- Students use agenda/planner throughout the day
- Organizational tools are expected to be used throughout the day
- Note-taking strategies are used by all students
- Lessons with an emphasis on WICOR are represented in a variety of subjects
- AVID Ambassadors are student leaders on campus



La Veta *Elementary*

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Lydia Roach
Principal

Lots of Choices

La Veta Elementary School continues to enrich the lives of all students. Fifth grade students walked through the American Revolution in an enrichment activity that had them role play and answer questions regarding this historical time period. Students in Visual and Performing Arts are combining their talents in art and theater to perform a musical in the spring.

All students in grades 1-6 are participating in Session 2 of the "Ride the W.A.V.E" program. In this program, La Veta Vikings will actively engage in various activities of enrichment (W.A.V.E). During this session students in grades 4-6 selected a class in Coding, Stop Motion Animation, Hockey, Baseball, Ukulele, Math/STEM, Surface

Tension, Yoga, Origami, Culinary Arts, or Art. Students in grades 1-3 selected a class in Creative Writing, Theater, Lego Challenges, Multicultural Art, Yoga and Mindfulness Coloring, Technical Drawing, or Movement to Music. Students will ride the W.A.V.E. for one hour on Friday afternoons in a 5-week session. Students were surveyed at the end of Session 1 and classes in coding, sports, and creative writing were added at their request. Students also commented on how they enjoyed meeting new people and trying out new things that they might use in their future. The purpose of this program is to create an awareness of career pathways, but also to create a sense of school connectedness. We hope to share photos and work samples of this school wide enrichment program at our school Open House in April.



Lorena Rubio
Principal

Enrichment Classes

At Jordan Academy of Language and Computer Science, many of our students take advantage of the variety of after-school enrichment classes offered that enhance our daily programs. Our after-school enrichment classes include Spanish, Drawing, Robotics, Hip Hop dance, Mariachi band, and Running Club.

Our Spanish class students work on enriching their Spanish vocabulary in speaking, reading, and writing. The Drawing class teaches our artists how to use lines, shapes, and shading to create realistic drawings. Our 4th-6th grade Robotics team members learn how to build and program Vex robots in preparation for Robotics competitions. Hip Hop dance class encourages dancers to step out of their comfort zones by performing in front of an audience. Our VAPA students transfer the music knowledge learned during their band and orchestra classes to play Mariachi music. Running Club meets every week to boost participants' endurance for upcoming OC running events.



Imperial Elementary

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Amber Miller
Principal

Training Like the Pros

Football season may be over but the students at Imperial Elementary are just starting to train like the pros! On January 31st our upper grade students had the chance to participate in the Fuel Up to Play 60 program. This program was made possible by the National

Football League in collaboration with the National Dairy Council. We were fortunate to have the Chargers Organization visit and run our students through practice drills similar to what the pros do. Students were excited to experience obstacle courses, toss footballs, and compete in relay races. Our students were even given a special T-shirt as a reminder to make healthy food choices and be active for 60 minutes daily. This experience has encouraged our students to take action for their wellness and become role models for others. We would like to thank our PTA for bringing this program to Imperial.



Lampson *Elementary*

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Heriberto Angel Jr.
Principal

A Lot to Be Proud Of

Henry Ford once said, “Coming together is a beginning; keeping together is progress; working together is success.” There is a lot to be proud of at Lampson. Over the past four years, our TEAM has shown tremendous passion and perseverance in our collective quest to provide our students with a quality education and an increase in student achievement. It has been incredible to witness the collaboration and rich dialogue happening among our teachers during our on-going professional learnings and professional learning communities (PLCs). Last school year, our TEAM took a step in the right direction by delving deeper into our math instruction. We embraced this challenge by committing to the development of a classroom culture that saw mistakes as learning opportunities; encouraged collaboration, problem-solving, risk-taking, and reflection; and provided opportunities to struggle productively. This school year, we added another layer to our math

instruction. The implementation of math small-groups has been in full effect since November 2019. During this 30-minute block, our teachers meet with two groups of students to provide targeted intervention generated from iReady data and enVision topic standards. Our students are given opportunities for mathematical discourse using related manipulatives and academic language. When not pulled for math small-group instruction, our students work on independent and intentional activities, which include a problem of the day/week, iReady, math fact fluency, and math hands-on activities. A lot of the planning happens during our grade level PLCs. It was important for us to strengthen our already-established PLCs by reviewing our norms and establishing expectations that include revisiting their trimester SMART goals, discussing the progress of student learning, and adjusting instruction through a system of collective inquiry. Encountering challenges and collectively overcoming them is part of the journey. However, one thing is for sure. Each lesson counts as we continue to work together to foster successful mathematicians.

McPherson Magnet

333 S. Prospect St., Orange, CA 92869 • 714/997-6384



Joe Erven
Principal

Project Lead the Way (PLTW)

Four students from McPherson Magnet are among an elite group selected to present to hundreds of attendees at the Project Lead the Way (PLTW) conference in Anaheim from Jan. 31 through Feb. 2. They were one of three groups from across the country chosen to present (the only group from the state of California).

McPherson Magnet students Trey Esperanza, Vincent Esqueda, Ellie Sloan and Liliana Mastroianni presented during the main General Session to a crowd of more than 800 guests. They also had the opportunity to meet PLTW’s CEO, Dr. Vince Bertram, and talk about their future aspirations.

“We are so proud of our four students that will represent McPherson Magnet and the Orange Unified School District at the PLTW Summit,” said McPherson Magnet Principal Joe Erven. “Project Lead the Way has transformed the STEM program at our school thanks to the work that our educators have put in to make McPherson Magnet a Project Lead the Way Distinguished School—one of the only schools in Orange County.”



McPherson Magnet offers PLTW Elementary Modules in Computer Science, Engineering, and Biomedical Science. Additionally, McPherson Magnet offers many Secondary courses: Design and Modeling (6th), Automation and Robotics (6th), Computer Science for Innovators and Makers (7th), App Creators (7th), Green Architecture (8th), Flight and Space (8th), and Medical Detectives (8th).

To get information about McPherson, please follow us on Twitter @mcphersonmagnet

Linda Vista *Elementary*

1200 N. Cannon St., Orange, CA 92869 • 714/997-6201



Ginette Kelley
Principal

The Power of PAWS

The students and staff at Linda Vista believe in the Power of PAWS. What is that power? It is the Potential, Aspirations, Wisdom, and Spirit of each student. In this “Land of Leopards” known as Linda Vista, students have proven they are learning and achieving, not only by the work they do in class, but on the State assessments given each school year. During the 2018/19 school year according to the California School Dashboard, Linda Vista students performed in the GREEN for both Language Arts and Math. The GREEN indicator means they performed above standard. Great News for the Leopards.

Linda Vista also learned that absenteeism is an area in

which they can improve. Though there are many reasons for being absent, Leopards are encouraged to use their wisdom when determining the need to stay home from school. All students are encouraged to attend school daily, only staying home if they are truly ill.

If you would like to know more information about Linda Vista’s performance on the California School Dashboard, please go to <https://www.caschooldashboard.org/>

Again, this year our Leopards will be participating in the California State Assessments, commonly referred to as SBAC. We know that the Power of PAWS will help us demonstrate our achievement in 2019/20 and show it on next year’s dashboard.

We Are Leopards, We Have PAWS!

Potential, Aspirations, Wisdom, and Spirit

Nohl Canyon

4100 E. Nohl Ranch Rd., Anaheim, CA 92807 • 714/997-6203



Jeff Jones
Principal

Peer Assistance Leadership and Support

Nohl Canyon has always promoted a culture that nurtures the emotional health, safety and well-being of students, staff and parents. In an effort to continue and build on supporting our Nohl Canyon community, we are pleased to announce PALS – Peer Assistance Leadership and Support. PALS is a club created for our students to promote mutual respect, tolerance, acceptance and KINDNESS.

Nohl Canyon’s Counselor, Mrs. Lauren Pullin is the advisor to our PALS club. Mrs. Pullin guides her PALS students with compassion, tolerance and humility. Students meet on Wednesdays and Fridays during recess and lunch to promote a safe and caring environment for all. Students lead other students in board games, crafts and other activities. The opportunity for student leadership is the key component of PALS. Including all students and providing a welcoming environment is what makes PALS thrive at Nohl Canyon.

PALS monthly focus follows the Orange Unified School District EDGE focus Area 3.0 – Bullying Prevention Handbook 2019-2020.



Olive Elementary

3038 Magnolia Ave., Orange, CA 92865 • 714/637-8218



Heather Darrow
Principal

100th Day of School

Olive Elementary students and staff celebrated the 100th Day of School in style – as 100-year-old Ocelots! It's hard to believe that 100 days of the 2019-20 school year have already passed, but

time sure flies when we're having fun! Celebrating the 100th Day of School is just one way students, staff, and families join together as a community throughout the year. You can also find us at a Family Run Night out on the big field, which is just a little part of our 100 Mile Club fun.

We have fun with events, but we also have fun in the classroom! All teachers are AVID-trained professionals who deliver instruction using AVID WICOR strategies. Students are excited about learning and getting ready for college, career, and their futures. When asked, 4th grade student Thuan shared,



“The purpose of AVID is to give kids a better learning style. It has helped me be more organized by helping me keep my materials in order in my binder, so I know where to find it.” Whether they are 5 years old or “100” years old, Olive students are preparing for bright futures!

Orange High School

525 N. Shaffer St., Orange, CA 92867 • 714/997-6211



Dennis McCuiston
Principal

Real-World Financial Challenges

On Wednesday, February 13, 2020, OHS Seniors got a taste of real-world financial challenges in a fun and interactive setting! Orange Seniors were given a fictional occupation, salary, spouse and family, student loan debt, credit card debt, and medical insurance payments. The teens then walk around to various table-top stations to “purchase” housing, transportation, food,

clothing, household necessities, day care, and other needs. Fortunately, the game also includes a “credit union” to help with their financial needs.

This interactive activity taught our seniors how to make financial decisions and give them a better understanding of the challenges of living on a budget. The experience included dealing with a pushy “car salesperson” and a commission-based “realtor,” and weighing their wants versus their needs. There’s even a “Fickle Finger of Fate” that will give the students unexpected “expenses” or “windfalls”—just like in real life!



Palmyra *Elementary*

1325 E. Palmyra Ave., Orange, CA 92866 • 714/997-6207



Brenna Godsey
Principal

Sensory Lab

Palmyra Elementary School opened a new Sensory Lab this year! Our Sensory Lab has a variety of equipment and stimuli that provide our students with a personalized sensory input experience. Occupational Therapist, Amanda McGarvey, and the Special Education team at Palmyra, took great care to create the space to meet the needs of our students. Mrs. McGarvey said “This space allows students to engage in various forms of sensory input and then they will be more prepared for learning and interacting with others.” Jayme Ghoulam, 4th-6th grade Special Education teacher, said “My class comes into the lab regularly. We are enabling and encouraging students to explore the environment through their senses. Receiving sensory input helps my students to maintain focus, increase mental stamina, and make positive changes in their mood and behavior.”



Panorama *Elementary*

10512 Crawford Canyon Rd., Santa Ana, CA 92705 • 714/997-6265



Jeremy Mortensen
Principal

Kindness Week

Panorama Elementary celebrated kindness week with a different activity each day for students to participate in for Kindness Credits for their classrooms. There was Make a Friend Monday – where students found someone new to play with; Create a Card of Kindness Tuesday – where students drew a picture or wrote a note to someone they have never met; Wonderful World Wednesday - where students picked up trash and recycled for our school and community; Thoughtful Thursday - where students said a sincere, kind thought to someone; and Friendly Friday - where students wore a yellow or orange shirt to brighten someone's day. The week concluded with a whole school picture of students aligned in their yellow shirts to form a



smiley-faced emoji. This was all designed and brought to us by our amazing Student Leadership Team!
Go Panthers!

Portola *Middle School*

270 N. Palm Dr., Orange, CA 92868 • 714/997-6361



Jeff Morgan
Principal

School Fundraiser

Starting on January 21st, our Matadors held a first time school wide fundraiser to support leukemia and lymphoma research.

The fundraiser lasted a total of 3 weeks.

Each week had its own specific fundraising theme. To kick things off students were able to donate, so they could pie teachers in the face. It was amazing to watch our students raise over \$200 in 10 minutes. During the first week, we held first period class competition that raised approximately \$1300. The second week was a grade level penny war. Classes competed against each other to see who could get the highest amount of coins, while using dollars to sabotage the other class. Coins that were contributed were considered positive to their total, while any dollar bill amount was deducted from a grades' total. The third week's "Free Dress for a Good Cause" raised approximately \$600.



Our goal from the beginning was to raise \$2000. The incentive for our students was that the principal would kiss a goat from the OHS farm. Unfortunately for me, we raised nearly \$3000, so I will be kissing a goat. However, we are so fortunate as a school to have come together to support such a wonderful cause in supporting leukemia and lymphoma research, as well as to provide an overall positive and fun experience for our students to give back for a common cause.

Prospect *Elementary*

379 N. Virage St., Orange, CA 92869 • 714/997-6271



Sally Hughson
Principal

Robotics Team

Prospect Elementary School's Robotics Team, coached by Aimee Swenson and Christina Bletterman participated in a qualifying competition with other El Modena feeder schools on Friday, February 7th. Prospect's Robotics

Team consists of four teams/groups: Aurora Borealis (Iveth Hernandez, Ashley Cruz, Valeria Marcial, Dimitry Rivera); 3 Musketeers (Chally Corona, Karen Cano, Julian Rivera); Teletubbies (Julio Rodriguez, Anaya Lopez, Isaac Gallardo); and Magnum (Diego Garcia, Juan Nieves, Dean Rodriguez, Anthony Valdez). Each of the four teams competed in the

Alliance and Skills events. Dean Rodriguez and Juan Nieves of team Magnum advanced to the Semi-Finals at SCC on 3/13/2020 in the Skills competition. The entire Prospect Robotics Team has worked very hard and should be very proud of all they have accomplished.



Richland *High School*

615 N. Lemon St., Orange, CA 92867 • 714/997-6167



Maureen Eckholdt
Principal

New Principal

Maureen Eckholdt is the proud new principal of Richland Continuation High School. She grew up in Anaheim, California and is married with two children. Maureen majored in History and minored in Mathematics at San Diego State University and received graduate degrees from CSUF and UCLA. She is currently completing her doctorate from Claremont Graduate University. Her first job in education was

coaching middle school volleyball and basketball while still in high school. Maureen completed her student teaching at Canyon High School and taught summer school there as well. She accepted a position in Downey Unified but later moved back to Orange County to teach AP Psychology

and History at Rosary High School. Maureen chose to stay home after having two children and took several years away from the classroom to work as an editor at home. Maureen returned to teaching in 2004 and added an Ed Specialist Credential from CSUSB in order to teach Special Education classes in the Upland Unified School District. She served as department Chair, WASC coordinator, and CAHSEE coordinator before moving into administration. Maureen was Program Specialist for the district and served as Assistant Principal at the high school there for four years. She has been Assistant Principal at El Modena High School for five years. Maureen is looking forward to working with at-promise students at Richland High School. She has a strong background in intervention strategies and is committed to improving the opportunities of all students for the college and career paths that lie ahead.

Running Springs *Elementary*

8670 E. Running Springs Dr., Anaheim, CA 92808 • 714/281-4512



Mark McLaughlin
Principal

Family STEAM Night

Running Springs Elementary School partnered with Canyon Rim Elementary to host a Family STEAM Night. The event was a huge success and had over 150 students attending!

The evening included a robotics mock competition and a next level robotics demonstration, courtesy of iDesign Solutions. Our families were engaged by a Drone demonstration held by our Drone team. In the amphitheater, our local scouts created a very popular rocket launching station. Other activities included students practicing coding with BeeBots, working with Legos, and designing paper airplanes. One of the students' favorite activities was the Virtual Reality demonstration with Oculus Drift. Families were able to create 3D Minecraft characters, code with Ozobots, and experience digital art. The Army Research Lab provided a station where guests caught a glimpse of the future with the use of eye trackers.

Special thanks to EFAH for their efforts in planning and supporting this exciting evening.



Santiago Charter *Middle School*

515 N. Rancho Santiago Blvd., Orange, CA 92869 • 714/997-6366



Dr. James D'Agostino
Co-Principal



Ashley Pedroza
Co-Principal

Elective Options

Santiago Charter Middle School offers over 22 elective options for students to explore and many of the elective options open doors to further exploration in a Career-Technical Education pathway in high school. Among the 22 elective options are Culinary Arts,

American Sign Language, French, Spanish, Graphic Design, Musical Theater, Wood Shop, Coding, Marine Science, Philosophy, Band, Orchestra, Guitar, Yearbook and many others. E-Sports is one of our brand new electives at Santiago, and we are proud and excited to be partnered with the Orange County Department of Education to offer this to our students.

Here are some more details about E-Sports:

eSports is a multi-billion dollar industry. It is not just kids playing around on computer games. Our students work closely with NASEF, the North America Scholastic E-Sports Federation, where they learn all aspects of teamwork, leadership, and career opportunities in the field of eSports. Moreover, Santiago Charter Middle School is the first in the nation to have a dedicated year-long program. Because of this, and the hard work from our eSports Instructors, our eSports Team has obtained corporate sponsorship from HyperX. HyperX is the maker of premium computer and gaming equipment and has played a vital role in the creation of this elective and our HyperX eSports Classroom. For more information about HyperX, E-Sports, or Santiago, please visit our school website <https://www.santiagocharterms.org>

Serrano *Elementary*

17741 Serrano Ave., Villa Park, CA 92861 • 714/997-6275



Nate Garrett
Principal

Enrichment Academy

During the month of January, Serrano hosted their first Saturday Enrichment Academy. The Saturday Enrichment Academy was at Serrano Elementary School from 8:00 am to 12:15 pm.

Serrano had approximately fifty enthusiastic students attend and engage in a variety of activities. The activities included, coding with BeeBots, designing wind turbines with the Lego We Do sets and coding them through the use of iPads, a Chinese New Year art project, and the engineering of balloon creations. Serrano's Saturday Enrichment Academy was an amazing opportunity for students to collaborate, explore, create, and express their creativity in multiple ways. We can confidently say that each student left the Saturday Enrichment Academy inspired and eager to explore through technology and creativity. Serrano is committed to providing engaging and creative programs that inspire students to dream.



Sycamore *Elementary*

340 N. Main St., Orange, CA 92868 • 714/997-6277



Renee Ybarra
Principal

Celebrating Life and Health

Sycamore believes in focusing on the health of the whole child, both academically, physically, mentally, and emotionally.

We have been very focused on health and wellness this year, boosting our physical health through walking laps every morning before school, Friday Fitness Challenges each week, and this year we are learning about heart health through the American

Heart Association's Kids' Heart Challenge. Students will be learning about the function of our hearts and how to keep them healthy, while also participating in the Kids Heart Challenge next month with a Jump for Heart event. Additionally, we learned about supporting our community's health by engaging in our annual Pennies for Patients fundraiser for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. Our goal was \$2000, and our students blasted through that goal,

raising over \$2,240! I was so impressed with their giving!

Additionally, Sycamore has focused on mental and emotional health this year through our partnership with Phoenix House. Phoenix House taught our 6th grade students weekly lessons on self-esteem, problem solving, and self-care. They also support students of all ages with learning lunch groups throughout the year as well. Additionally, we are excited to offer several parent education sessions through Phoenix House this spring.

Our academic health has been supported this year through AVID instruction and goal setting. Our teachers in 2nd – 6th grade have all been trained in AVID instructional practices, and have guided our students in setting goals for their academic learning in the areas of math, through using the iReady program, and in reading through DIBELS fluency assessments and our Reading Inventory data. Our students know their numbers, and know how they need to grow!

Taft *Elementary*

1829 N. Cambridge St., Orange, CA 92865 • 714/997-6254



Connie Smith
Principal

Science Family Night

Full S.T.E.A.M.

Ahead, Tigers! Taft Tigers had an amazing Family Science Night! This is always a favorite among our teachers and students, and this year did not disappoint. Taft Families came together

for a fun-filled night of varying science, engineering, and math activities.

Classrooms were standing room only, as students attempted to squeeze in for the opportunity to participate in an activity and show off their success to their parents. Among the favorites were the "X-Gliders" where students had to learn how to build and change the flight characteristics of a glider, learning that wing angle has an effect on speed and flight directionality.

"Safe Landing" was another hit where students had to assemble a parachute using a napkin, strings, and paper clips in an attempt to get it to descend safely.

Our junior scientists, engineers, and mathematicians walked away with a little more knowledge and a smile on their faces.



Villa Park *High School*

18042 Taft Ave., Villa Park, CA 92861 • 714/532-8020



Dr. Ken Miller
Principal

Volunteer Day

Everybody can be great because everybody can serve. — Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

On Monday, January 20, 2020, Lisa Hedspeth, Activities Director and Pablo Larios, LINK CREW Advisor, orchestrated the greatest volunteer day in many years for Villa Park High School.

Our VPHS ASB members, LINK CREW leaders, and various Clubs spent months preparing and making connections in our neighborhood to hold the 3rd annual Spartan SERVE-A-THON. Our staff, parents, community partners, and students came together to participate in nine service projects throughout our immediate community on this Federal Day of Service. Here they are:

Mary's Kitchen — prepping and serving meals and making sack lunches

Giving Children Hope — generating over 100 backpacks of food and sorted household goods

Oak Canyon Nature Center — clearing the overgrown wildlife on the trail and archery area

Kirkwood Community — baking, dancing, serving lunch, and partaking in amazing conversations

OC Rescue Center — prepping and serving over 200 lunches and decorating bags with inspiration

Grandma's House — sorting donations from the community

American Veterans — creating cards with messages of thanks to our Veterans

Hanalei Horse Rescue — participating in arena maintenance at the horse arena

A choice was made by our student leaders to make a difference in the lives of others in our immediate neighborhood on Dr. King's holiday. The desire to help people in our Spartan community filled the hearts of our students and will always hold a lasting impression. We are extremely proud of their commitment in our third annual Spartan Serve-A-Thon, and more importantly, what they learned by giving back to their community! It is who we are and this excellent service model mirrors THE SPARTAN WAY! #WinnersWin

West Orange *Elementary*

243 S. Bush St., Orange, CA 92868 • 714/997-6283



Dr. Monica Murray
Principal

Learning and Leading

West Orange Elementary had an exciting fall/winter season full of learning and leading. We ended our season with a heartwarming Holiday Celebration where each class had the opportunity to showcase their vocal abilities in front of our West Orange Community.

Our Warriors danced and sang through holiday classics as well as some fun modern beats!

At the start of 2020, we launched our new partnership with Boys & Girls Club and Discovery Cube. For five consecutive weeks, our West Orange parents and school community participated in Family STEAM workshops. Our parents learned new strategies to help their child(ren) grow in STEAM by integrating household items and using literature as a tool to develop scientific thinking. At the end of each session, participants received free books, resources, and materials to conduct their STEAM projects at home.



In February, our WO warriors accepted the Kids Heart Challenge! The Kids Heart Challenge teaches students how to have a happy and healthy heart by challenging them to take the Heart Pledge. Our WO warriors raised lifesaving donations of \$2000 and counting to help fund CPR training and critical research for local families with special hearts. At WO, our students and staff go above and beyond not only in accelerating learning but in helping our community.

Villa Park *Elementary*

10551 Center Dr., Villa Park, CA 92861 • 714/997-6281



Dr. Sara Beggs
Principal

Service Learning Project

Fourth grade students self-initiated a service learning project at VPE. Students were concerned about the animals affected by the wildfires in Australia and worked with their teacher Mrs. Roland to research an organization they wanted to help. Students made posters and asked peers to donate to the Wildlife Information, Rescue and Education Service (WIRES) in Australia. In just 2 weeks, VPE students raised \$2000.

Moreover, students took a hands-on approach to helping the animals by making bat wraps for injured bats and crochet nests for injured birds in our lunchtime maker space, ran by our librarian Mrs. O'Dowd. This month we kick off our next civic and service learning projects with our annual Team Kids Challenge to collect donations and raise money for local shelters in our community as well as collect Pennies for Patients and the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. Students at Villa Park Elementary learn they can make a difference in our local community, state, nation, and even the world. Go bobcats!

Yorba *Academy of the Arts Middle School*

935 N. Cambridge St., Orange, CA 92867 • 714/997-6161



Sandra Preciado-Martin
Principal

ASB Activities

Yorba Middle School's ASB has been busy! They have met every Wednesday throughout this school year to plan activities for their fellow Toros. Just this past month, our 30 campus leaders planned a fund raiser for the animals in Australia, promoted a "Bully Free Zone," and began planning their ambassador activities for our incoming students.

President, Carlos Ramos, said, "As ASB

President, I've learned to be more responsible, outspoken and dedicated. I also have lots of fun being in ASB because of all the fun activities we do." As part of ASB, 7th grader, Minerva Ipatzi, has extended her leadership role to also participate in School Site Council. Minerva shared that the experience, "was a little intimidating at first but now I am more comfortable sharing my opinions with teachers, parents, and our principal when making school decisions."

We can't wait to see what other activities Yorba's ASB have planned for this year!





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Tyson's Book Review



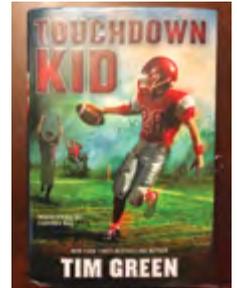
Tyson

Never Give Up

Touchdown Kid by Tim Green

Cory is an awesome football player from the Westside. He is 11 years old and is just moving into middle school, along with his friend, Liam. A

well-known coach from HBS, an elite junior high school, is giving a scholarship to a player he thinks is good enough to play football there. If Cory gets it, he will get to live in a nice neighborhood with a host family in a cozy home, and play football, his passion. His best friend's brother isn't the nicest guy and pulls him into trouble. If he is late, he won't play. What will he do? This is his dream. Find out more about this crazy adventure and read *Touchdown Kid*. This book is great and pulls me in. I can relate a lot to this book and if you're an athlete, you'll love it. I'm not much of a bookworm and I rate it 5 out of 5 stars!



Tyson is an athletic 6th grader who loves basketball, soccer, and volleyball. His favorite subjects are P.E. and math. He is a gentle pet owner and loves taking care of his 3 guinea pigs with his brother. He looks forward to going to Lakers games with his dad.

Things to Sit On—Word Search Contest

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Entries must be received by May 15, 2020

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



Congratulations to **Benjamin Lang**
Winner of our December contest!

Yoona's Review



Yoona C.

The Mystery of the Feather

Title: *Pearl the Cloud Fairy*

Author: Daisy Meadows

Once upon a time there were two girls named Rachel and Kirsty. They have a secret that they can turn into fairies to help fairies all the time! The queen of the fairies gave fairy dust to them. One day all the people had clouds over their heads. The girls felt weird. Why would everyone be sad, grumpy, or angry? At home they met a fairy of clouds. The fairy's name was Pearl. She said that a goblin took a feather away from the fairies. The seven feathers control the weathers. The girls went to the candy factory and saw the goblin eating cotton candy. He also had the feather! Pearl asked Rachel and Kirsty to get the feather. Can these two girls complete their mission? I like this book because it gives adventurous stories in detail. I recommend this book to people who like fantasy.



Yoona is a 2nd grader. She likes playing soccer and the piano. She likes to create stories as well.

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