

August, 2019

Dear Parents/Guardians,

It is my distinct pleasure to welcome all of our Arovista community to the 2019-2020 school year. We strive to engage and empower every student, and to have them feel a part of the Allstar family. We aim to challenge each student to grow academically, behaviorally, and socially. It is our goal to work hand in hand with all of our families to ensure the very best for our students.

We are excited to launch our Dual Immersion Program in one Kindergarten classroom this year. Our students will be learning to read and write in Spanish with the ultimate goal of being bilingual, biliterate, and more culturally aware. We will emphasize cultural awareness and appreciation school-wide with cultural arts opportunities for all students.

Please join me in welcoming two new teachers to our staff. Mrs. Gonzalez will be teaching our Dual Immersion Kindergarten class, and Ms. Rojas will join our 3rd grade team. They both bring experience from previous school districts and are very excited to teach their very first group of Allstars.

We are continuing our AVID Program and are adding additional classrooms/grades this year. The AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination) mission is to close the achievement gap by preparing all students for college/career readiness and success in a global society. Our staff is dedicated to incorporate the AVID model which emphasizes high expectations in writing, inquiry, collaboration, organization, and reading in all curricular areas.

Parent involvement is also a key component to student success. I invite you to be involved in every aspect of your child's education. Arovista welcomes you to our campus. Our PTA is an outstanding support with amazing parents that give to our school so generously. We couldn't do what we do for our kids without them. Please join the PTA and see how you can get involved in your child's experience. In addition to our PTA, there are various ways to volunteer your time and expertise. We need each and every one of you!

Please save the following dates:

Monday, August 19th at 8:05-8:30 - Annual Boo Hoo/Yahoo Parent Social in our cafeteria. Please join us to get re-acquainted with friends or meet new ones after a long summer.

Friday, August 23rd. PTA will be having a "Welcome Family Night" to kick off the school year and reconnect with our families. It will be a really fun event and I hope to see you all there. More information will be provided soon.

Class Postings: Teacher assignments will be posted on your Parent Portal on Friday, August 16th. Please log onto the parent portal to see who your child's teacher will be. If you don't have access to the internet or a computer, our office will be open from 10:00 - 4:00 on Friday to assist you.

I look forward to seeing all of you at Back To School Night on Tuesday, August 27th at 6:30 p.m. We will be able to provide more detailed information about your child's education at this time. I hope you will join us at this important parent night.

I am honored to serve the Arovista community. It is a privilege to be a part of a community where parents, teachers, and students care about each other and work to build positive relationships to support student growth. If you would like to contact me, I can be reached at 714-529-2185 ext. 5097, and by email at kvandine@bousd.us. Please refer to our website for important information at <http://arovista.bousd.us> and follow us on Instagram as @arovistaallstars. I am looking forward to an outstanding year!

Sincerely,

Mrs. VanDine
Principal

