



Fountain Valley School District
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Kathryn Smith joins FVSD Family as Director, Support Services

Fountain Valley, CA, OCTOBER 11, 2018: The Fountain Valley School District (FVSD) welcomed a new member to the FVSD Family with the appointment of Kathryn Smith to the position of Director, Support Services. The Board of Trustees approved Ms. Smith's appointment at their regular Board meeting this evening.

Kathryn Smith began her career as an elementary teacher, teaching 4th, 5th and 6th grades in Norwalk La Mirada Unified School District, Los Angeles Unified School District and Lake Oswego Elementary School District, in Oregon. In 2006, Ms. Smith found her passion for working with students with special needs when she became a K-6 RSP teacher at Chavez Elementary School.



Kathryn Smith (center) joins the FVSD Family as Director, Support Services.

In 2010, she stepped out of the classroom to share her talents with her colleagues. During the next seven years, Ms. Smith was a Special Education Instructional Coach, Administrative TOSA and Program Specialist, providing professional development and coaching in instructional strategies and interventions, facilitating IEP meetings and supporting teachers, paraprofessionals, principals and parents. Ms. Smith joins the Fountain Valley School District from South Whittier School District, where she served as the Director of Special Education and Student Services.

"I am extremely excited to join the Fountain Valley School District Family!" explains Ms. Smith. "As the Director, Support Services, I look forward to working with our teachers, support staff and administrators to provide the programs and services that all of our students deserve. FVSD has a long-standing tradition of excellence and I am honored to be able to build upon the successes of the past."

"We are excited to have Ms. Smith join our team. She is passionate about serving all of our students and has a proven track record of success," noted Superintendent Dr. Mark Johnson. "We are confident that her strong work ethic, collaborative approach and kind demeanor will help her make a seamless transition to her new position. Please join me in welcoming Kate to the FVSD Family!"

Ms. Smith and her husband, David, have five children. They enjoy spending time together, riding bikes, swimming and playing board games.

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About the Fountain Valley School District

The Fountain Valley School District, founded in 1898, is comprised of 10 schools serving nearly 6,400 students from Fountain Valley and Huntington Beach. Fountain Valley School District seeks to promote a foundation for academic excellence, mastery of basic skills, responsible citizenship, and a desire by students to achieve their highest potential through a partnership with home and community. To learn more about the Fountain Valley School District, visit our website at www.fvsd.us, or follow us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/fountainvalleyschooldistrict>.