



# COLLEGE SCHOOL DISTRICT

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A California Gold Ribbon School  
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An AVID Certified School  
*Developing World Class Learners, Every Day!*  
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August 9, 2016

Dear Parents/Guardians:

As we conclude our summer season, and prepare for the opening of school, please let us take a few minutes to update you with information regarding our 2016/2017 school year, which begins on Friday, August 26. This will be a minimum day with 11:45 (K-5) and 12:00 (6-8) dismissal times.

- 1. Back-to-School Night and Welcome Reception** – All parents are cordially invited to attend this year's Back-to-School Nights. The **TK-5 grade program will be held on Wednesday, September 7.** The TK-5 night will be held at both the College Primary School and Santa Ynez School campuses. The College (TK-1) campus program will begin held from 6:00-6:45. The Santa Ynez (grades 2-5) campus activities will begin at 7:00.

**Our 6-8 grade night will be held on Thursday, September 8** and will begin at 6:00 in Santa Ynez, Rooms 7 and 8. Our 6<sup>th</sup> grade presentation will outline a revised schedule with a self-contained classroom structure in the mornings and combined electives with our 7-8 grade program in the afternoons. This will provide enhanced elective opportunities for our 6<sup>th</sup> graders this year.

During each event, opening of school information will be available, including classroom information and announcements from classroom teachers, and details regarding our AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination) program, for the upcoming school year and beyond.

- 2. Staffing Information** - We are pleased to announce our teaching faculty and staff and their assignments for the upcoming school year. We welcome all returning teachers and staff to our Bobcat Family and congratulate Theresa Shelley, Bertha Arredondo, Peter Michaud, and Dolores Martinez on their recent retirements. Additional new classified staff will be introduced after school begins. A complete Faculty and Staff Roster will be sent home during the first week of school. Please join me in welcoming our teachers and staff. Faculty assignments are as follows for the upcoming school year.

Teacher	Assignment	Room
<b>College Campus</b>		
Transitional Kindergarten	Mrs. Turner	Room 4
Kindergarten	Mrs. Snyder	MP Room 1
First Grade	Mrs. Silvana Patterson	Room 3

**Santa Ynez Campus**

Second Grade	Mrs. Olesen	Room 1
Third Grade	Mrs. Elliott	Room 2
Fourth Grade	Mrs. Lewis	Room 5
Fifth Grade	Mr. Stephens	Room 6
Sixth Grade	Ms. Laurel Patterson	Room 7
Seventh/Eighth Grades	Mrs. Abbott (Math)	Room 10
	Mr. Tow (History)	Room 13
	Ms. Roberts (English)	Room 9
Special Education	Mrs. Shimamura (Science)	Room 11
	Mrs. Budde	Room 17
Music Specialist	Mrs. Dominguez	Room 23
K-6 Science/GATE	Mrs. Delman	Room 20
Physical Education	Mr. Blessing	Room 19
English Learner Specialist	Mrs. Yancey	Room 22
Instructional Intervention Specialist	Mrs. Grayson	Room 3

**3. Labor Day Holiday** – Just a reminder that Monday, September 5, will be a school holiday in recognition of Labor Day. School will be closed for this holiday.

**4. Early Release Mondays** – Again this year, our Monday dismissal time will be 1:00 for all students, K-8. This important teacher collaboration and planning time helps facilitate important schoolwide curriculum programs, including our AVID initiative, benefitting all of our Bobcats. We appreciate the support of our school families with this schedule, as this dismissal time helps us align our curriculum, planning, instructional programs, and networking with other Valley schools. To complement this, all 2-8 grade students will be in session until 3:00 on Tuesday-Friday. TK-1 families will receive a separate letter regarding TK-1 schedules.

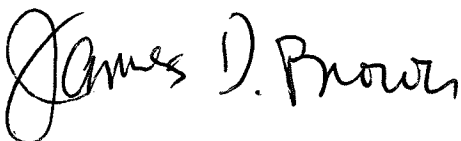
**5. TK/Kindergarten/First Grade Lemonade Party** – This important annual event will be held on Thursday, August 25, at 5:00 p.m. at the College campus. Transitional Kindergarten (TK), Kindergarten and First Grade parents and students are invited to attend this welcome activity.

**6. School Lunch Information** - Information on our school lunch program will be sent home on the first day of school. Lunches will be served, beginning Friday, August 26.

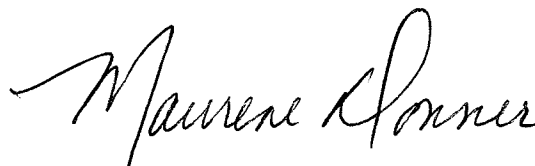
**7. Class Information** - Class and Supply lists will be posted at both campuses on Thursday, August 25, after 4:00 p.m. Supply lists will also be posted on our district website.

Feel free to call the office at 805-686-7300 (College) or at 805-686-7310 (Santa Ynez) with any questions or should you wish further information regarding the above. Here's to a safe and restful remainder of summer... and to an outstanding 2016/2017 school year! See you August 26!

For our College Kids,



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Superintendent



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c: K-8 Faculty and Staff