



# PARAMOUNT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

GREAT THINGS ARE HAPPENING IN PARAMOUNT SCHOOLS



## Secondary Educational Services

Ruth Pérez, Ed.D.  
Superintendent

Ryan D. Smith, Ed.D.  
Assistant Superintendent, Secondary Educational Services



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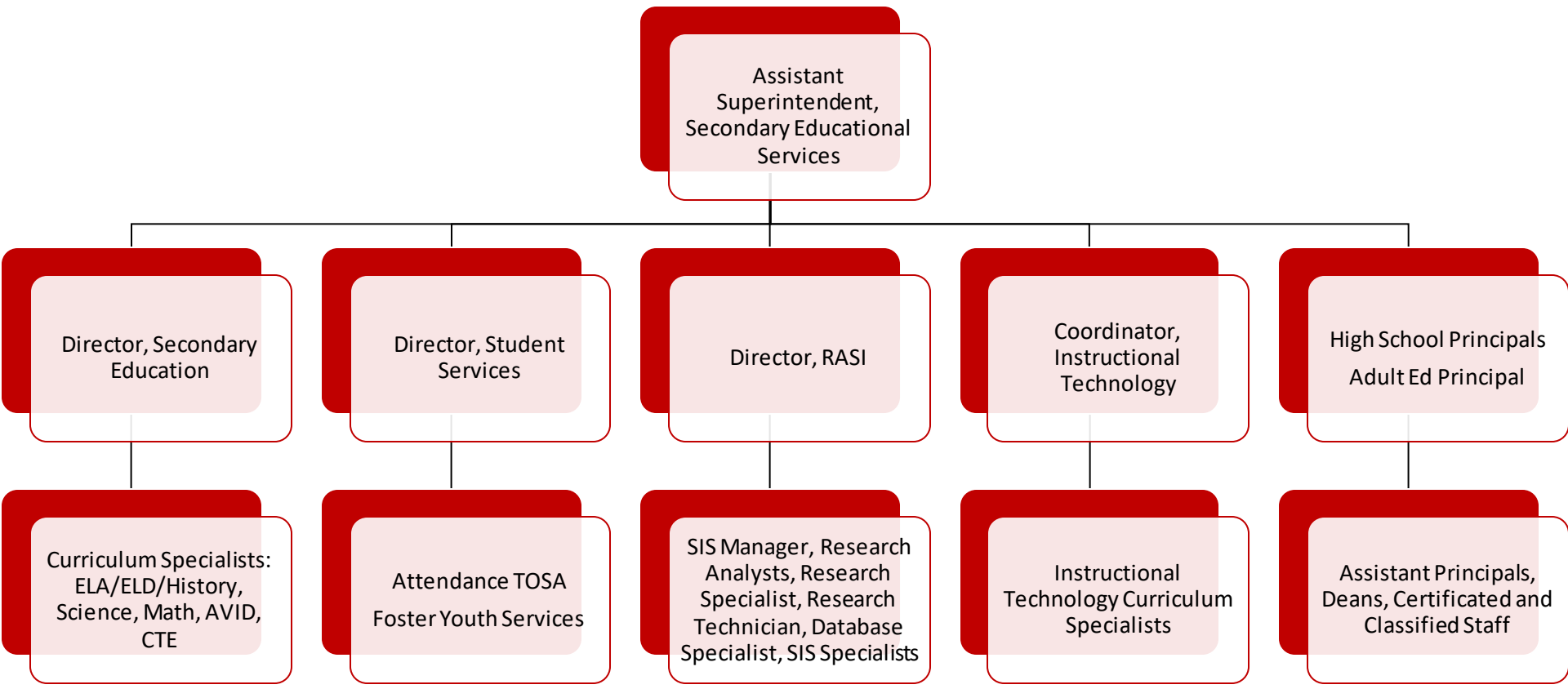
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# Why?





# Organizational Chart

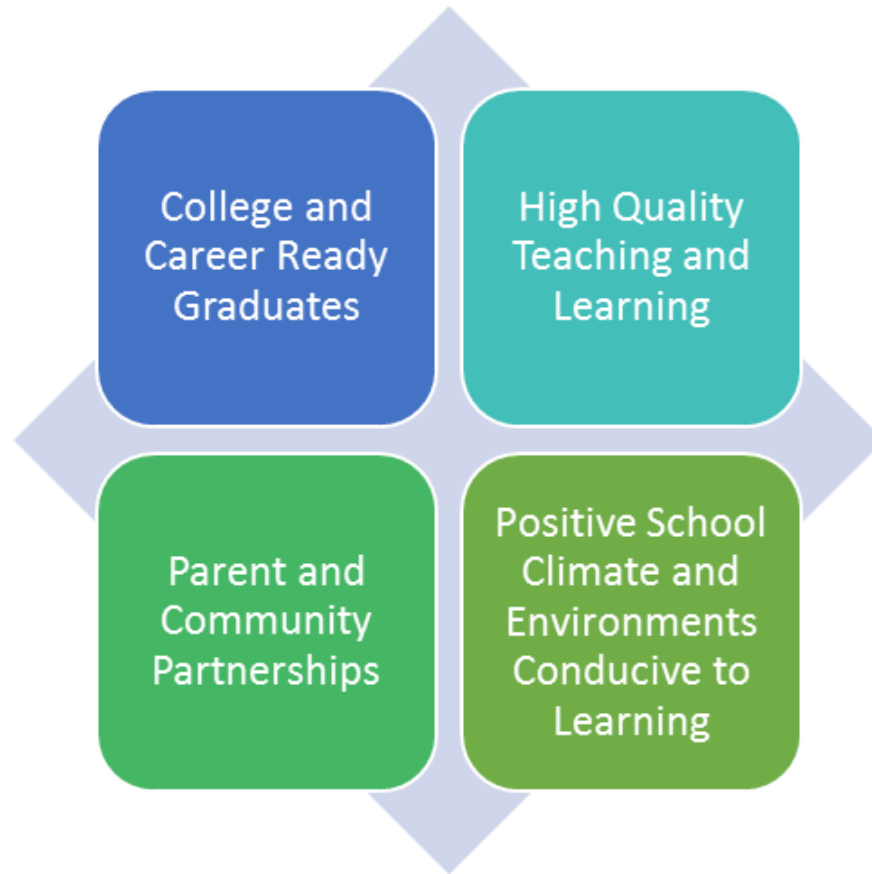




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# Strategic Plan Focus Areas





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College and  
Career Ready  
Graduates

# Key Initiatives

- FREE PSAT and SAT Testing
- Alignment of HS coursework with college requirements
- College Partnerships
  - Early College Program
  - Articulated Courses
  - Promise Agreements
- Comprehensive college and career planning
- CalAps Partnership
- CTE
- AVID
- Advanced Placement Program



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High Quality  
Teaching and  
Learning

# Key Initiatives

- Implementation of Instructional Framework
  - 5 Dimensions of Teaching and Learning
  - English/ELD and History
  - Admin Coaching
- Mathematical Practices and Habits of Mind
- Academic Support Programs in Math, ELA, and ELD
  - Carnegie Learning
  - Read 180
  - English 3D
- 1-1 Instructional Technology Initiative



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Positive School  
Climate and  
Environments  
Conducive to  
Learning

# Key Initiatives

- Safe and Civil Schools Initiative
- Restorative Practices
- Ambassadors of Compassion
- Hero
- Social Workers at each campus
- Link Crew



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Parent and  
Community  
Partnerships

# Key Initiatives

- Parent Portals
  - Schoology
  - ParentVue
- FACTOR parent education courses
- College Readiness Guide
- Work Based Learning opportunities
  - City of Paramount
  - City of Lakewood
  - Local Business and Industry





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**Dr. Gregoire Francois**  
**Director, Secondary Educational Services**

Cecile Kim  
CTE Curriculum Specialist

Osiris Pardo  
AVID Curriculum Specialist

Leonardo Gonzalez  
Math Curriculum Specialist

Christy Marquez  
ELA/ELD/History Curriculum Specialist

Maggie Flores  
Science Curriculum Specialist



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# AVID





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# School Counselors & Social Workers





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# Advanced Placement Program

- Open to any student
- District pays the cost of the exams (\$94)
- 1,017 PHS students took at least one exam in 2018 (22%)
- 20 courses offered:
  - New: AP Environmental Science
  - New: AP Psychology
- AP students passing at least one exam:
  - 2014: 31%
  - 2018: 42%
- 73 students recognized for excellence in 2018:
  - 53 AP Scholars
  - 10 AP Scholars with Honor
  - 8 AP Scholars with Distinction
  - 2 National AP Scholars
- AP Human Geography offered to 9<sup>th</sup> graders – 53.2% pass rate
- AP Summer Institutes for Teachers



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Dr. Manuel San Miguel

Director, Student Services and Alternative Education

Daniel Sepulveda  
Attendance TOSA

Judy Morrison  
Foster Youth Services



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# Student Services /Alternative Education

## Student Discipline

Student Services processes all discipline issues that involve the transferring of students to different sites, as well as all expulsion cases.

## Inter-District Permits and Intra- District Permits

Student Services reviews and approves or denies all inter and intra District permit requests.

## Attendance

Student Services monitors and intercedes with attendance problems that result in referrals to SART and SARB; and, represents the District in cases that involve the courts and District Attorneys Office.

## Records

Student Services processes parent, employment and attorney requests and subpoenas of student records.



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# Student Services / Alternative Education

## Alternative Options

Student Services support students with alternative options in: Home/ Hospital Instruction, Independent Study and On-line Instruction. Provides support and oversight for Adult School and Community Day School programs.

## Parent Complaints

Student Services processes parent complaints, as well as issues regarding custody and records requests.

## Additional Support Services

Students Services oversees the District's 504 program and provides guidance and assistance to City's after-school STAR program; and, other outside agencies such as: Vision to Learn, Ambassadors of Compassion and Asthma Breathmobile.





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**Margarita Rodriguez**

**Director, Research, Assessment, and Student Information**

**Bobby Keo**  
Research Analyst

**Alfredo Lopez**  
Research Analyst

**Juan Carpio**  
Database Specialist

**Stephanie Fuentes**  
Research Technician

**Daniella Delea**  
Research Specialist

**Elena Mejia**  
SIS Manager

**Juan Arellano**  
SIS Specialist

**Maria Galvez**  
SIS Specialist



# Research, Assessment, and Student Information (RASI)

## Data Champions Team

Support research and data needs through reports and the Schoolzilla Dashboard, LCAP, progress monitoring, and Accountability

**Lead:** Alfredo Lopez

**Team:** Elena Mejia  
Monyrotana (Bobby) Keo  
Daniella DeLea

- Data Dashboards
- LCAP
- State & Federal Assessments (CAASPP)
- PSAT/SAT

## Data Management Team

Provide, maintain, build and support external data systems, such as textbook rosters and blended learning software, research

**Lead:** Juan Carpio

**Team:** Elena Mejia  
Alfredo Lopez  
Juan Arellano

- Schoology
- Instructional software rostering
- Digital textbooks
- Office of Civil Rights (CRDC)

## Data Support Team

Maintain, update, and enhance Synergy, Illuminate and CALPADS. Support users and software.

**Lead:** Elena Mejia

**Team:** Maria Galvez  
Juan Arellano  
Stephanie Fuentes

- Synergy, ParentVUE, Online Registration
- CALPADS
- California Technical Education (CTE)

## Performance Management Team

Support local assessments, SBAC Digital Library, monitor progress, program evaluation

**Lead:** Monyrotana (Bobby) Keo

**Team:** Daniella Delea  
Alfredo Lopez  
Stephanie Fuentes

- Illuminate
- SBAC Interims
- Surveys
- Local Assessments
- Program Evaluation
- Research Requests



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What is the one part of your work that you feel most supports student outcomes?





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Durrell Jackson

Coordinator, Instructional Technology

Joy Go-Ng

Instructional Technology

Curriculum Specialist

Nancy Rivas

Instructional Technology

Curriculum Specialist



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# Instructional Technology

*Our Focus: to implement our DISTRICT GOALS and STRATEGIC PLAN specifically in the areas that engage technology for instruction and learning in the classroom.*

**Direct Classroom  
and Teacher  
Support**

**Developing  
Leadership  
Capacity in our  
Schools**



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## **Direct Classroom/Teacher Support**

First Year with 1:1 Chromebooks.

After-School Workshops for all teachers

On- Site Training and Support

Large Forum (STEP) Events

**40 Hrs. Teacher support for those getting new tech**

**50 Hrs. Voluntary Afterschool Events**

**40 Hrs. (confirm) On Demand School Support**

**6 Hrs. Large Forum and Conference Events**



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# Developing Leadership in our Schools

*Concept is simple –we invest in our “teacher leaders” and build their capacity, knowledge and skill.*

*Their knowledge and skill gets transferred into effective practices in the classroom through*

- *collaboration with their curricular teams and*
- *school leadership*
- *which in turn gets translated into student achievement.*

**Monthly Articulation Meetings (11 Hrs.)**

**Six Full Day Intensives (36 Hrs.)**

**School-Site visits throughout the year by our instructional tech specialists**



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## Paramount High School Senior Campus



Mike Ono  
Principal

Dr. Damon Dragos  
Assistant Principal

Jim Monico  
Interim Assistant Principal

Anna Yasuhara-True  
Assistant Principal

Leslie Leonard  
Interim Dean

Nancy Rivas  
Interim Dean





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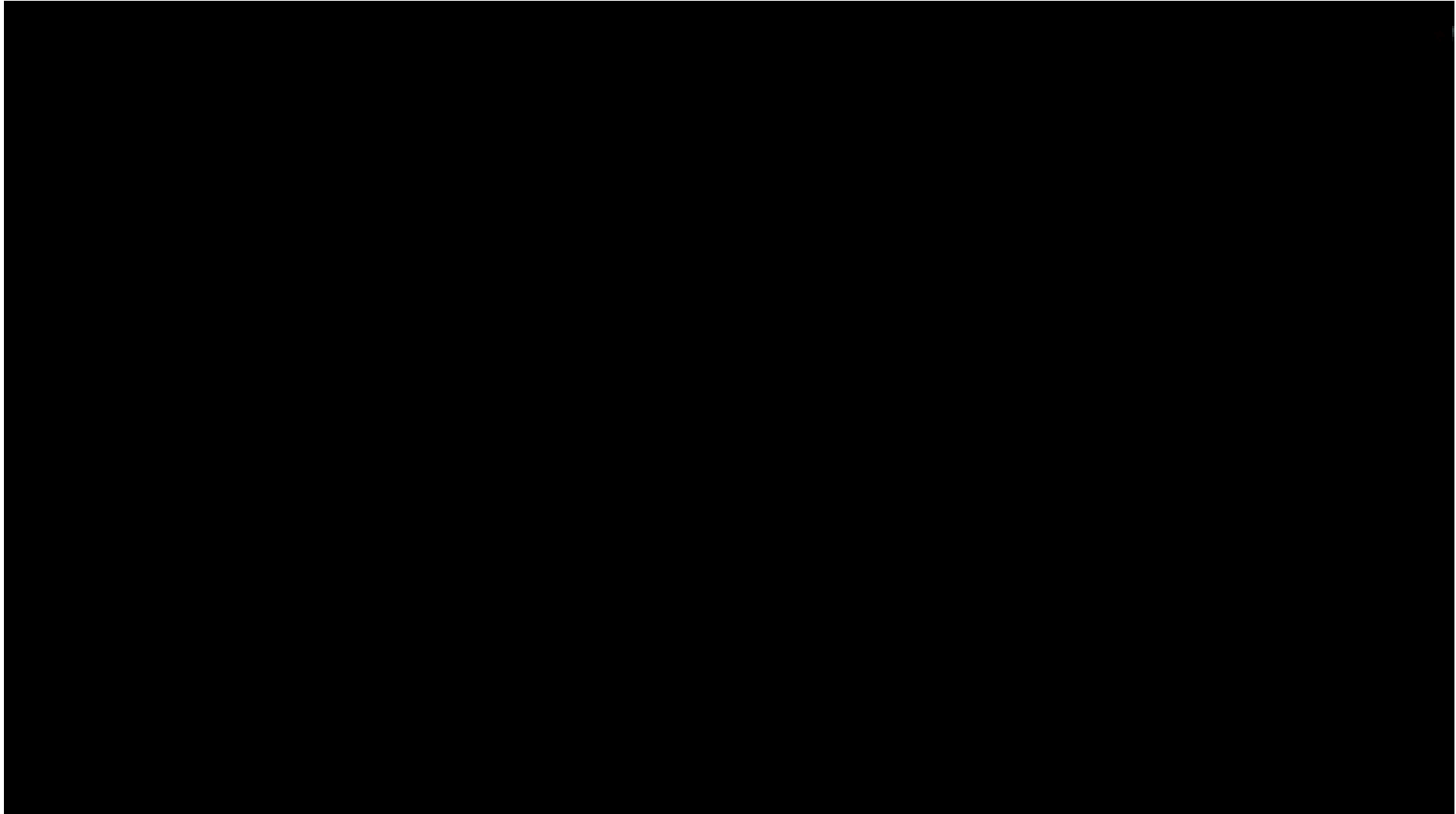
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# Paramount High School Culture





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Paramount High School West Campus



Elizabeth Salcido  
Principal

Dr. Andrea Aguilar-Nuno  
Assistant Principal

Alicia Megofna  
Assistant Principal



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# Paramount High School West Campus

- One to One Digital High School
  - Integration of technology in every classroom
- Five CTE Pathways (Foundational courses)
  - Computer Science (Project Lead The Way)
  - Design, Visual, and Media Arts
  - Engineering Design (Project Lead The Way)
  - Food Service and Hospitality
  - Patient Care
- Student Recognition
  - ASB-Link Crew Student Activities
  - Quarterly Pirate Lunches
  - Student Assembly – Happiness is Now
  - First Semester Honor Roll Assemblies





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# ODYSSEY

STEM ACADEMY

Keith Nuthall  
Principal

Becky Pérez  
Dean



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## Why We Exist -

Odyssey STEM Academy empowers learners by awakening their curiosity and passion to transform themselves and the world.





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# Our Approach –

Equity

Learner-Centric

Authentic Learning

Learning Beyond Classroom Walls

Family Engagement







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Morrie Kosareff  
Principal

Roxanne Allessandro  
Assistant Principal



# Buena Vista High School



- Restorative Practices/Safe & Civil School

- Student/Parent Orientation
- Community Building Circles
- Harm/Conflict Circles
- Instructional Strategies
- Freagles



- College & Career Center

- Partnerships with Local Community Colleges (Visits & Enrollment)
- Financial Applications
- Cal APS
- Resume Writing
- Interviewing Skills
- College & Career Fair
- Scholarships
- Cal APS

- Student Recognition

- Student of the Week
- Students of the Quarter
- Night of Recognition
- AVID Student of the Quarter
- A-C Recognition





***Building Character, One Student at a Time***



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# PAS | CTE

## Paramount Adult School

*Persevering Aspiring Succeeding*

Dr. Yvonne Rodriguez  
Principal

Hector Lujan  
Assistant Principal

Jerry King  
Dean



# Community Day School

## Academics

- Common Projects
- Student Progress Meetings
- Collaboration



## Safe and Civil

- Common Areas
- Restorative Practices
- Mentorship
- Incentives



## College and Career

- Four-year Plan
- College Visitations





# Adult Transition



Learning to . . .

- explore the community
- work successfully
- live independently





# Paramount Adult School

## Adult Literacy/High School Diploma

- Adult Basic Education
- High School Equivalency Test Prep
- High School Diploma Lab



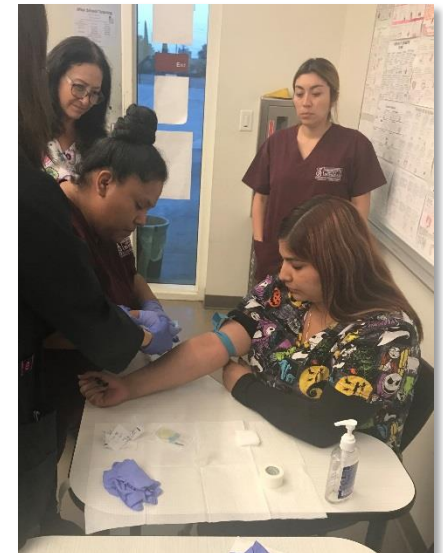
## English as a Second Language/Citizenship

- ESL courses at 6 different levels
- Distance Learning ESL
- Citizenship



## Career Technical Education

- Cosmetology
- Information Technology
- Medical Assistant
- Phlebotomy



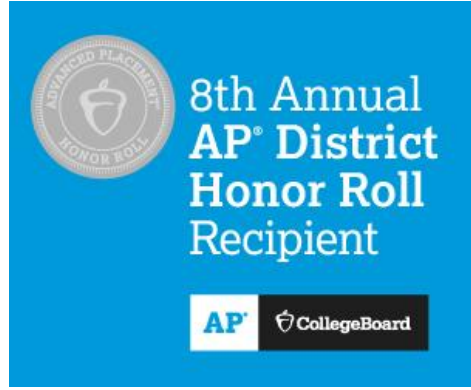




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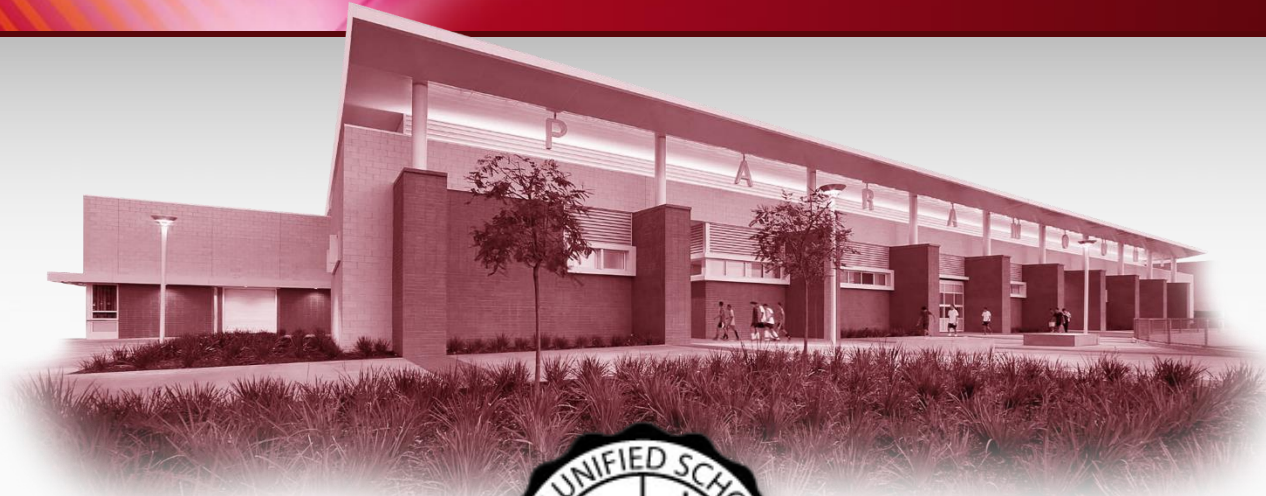
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## Recent Recognitions



2019 Model SARB

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*The mission of the Paramount Unified School District is to ensure learning and success for each student by providing a quality education.*