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School District

New Student / Kinder Information Night

Jose Antonio Vargas Elementary School
Vern Taylor, Principal
1/10/24

****This presentation will be recorded and posted on
the school website for later viewing**

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parte inferior de la pantalla de zoom para seleccionar
español*

The purpose of tonight is to:

- Provide information and insight about our school and what makes it excellent
- Provide information and resources to help you with the upcoming enrollment process

Later this spring:

- New/Kinder student orientation night will be held
- Details will be emailed to you

Our School Video



What makes our school great?

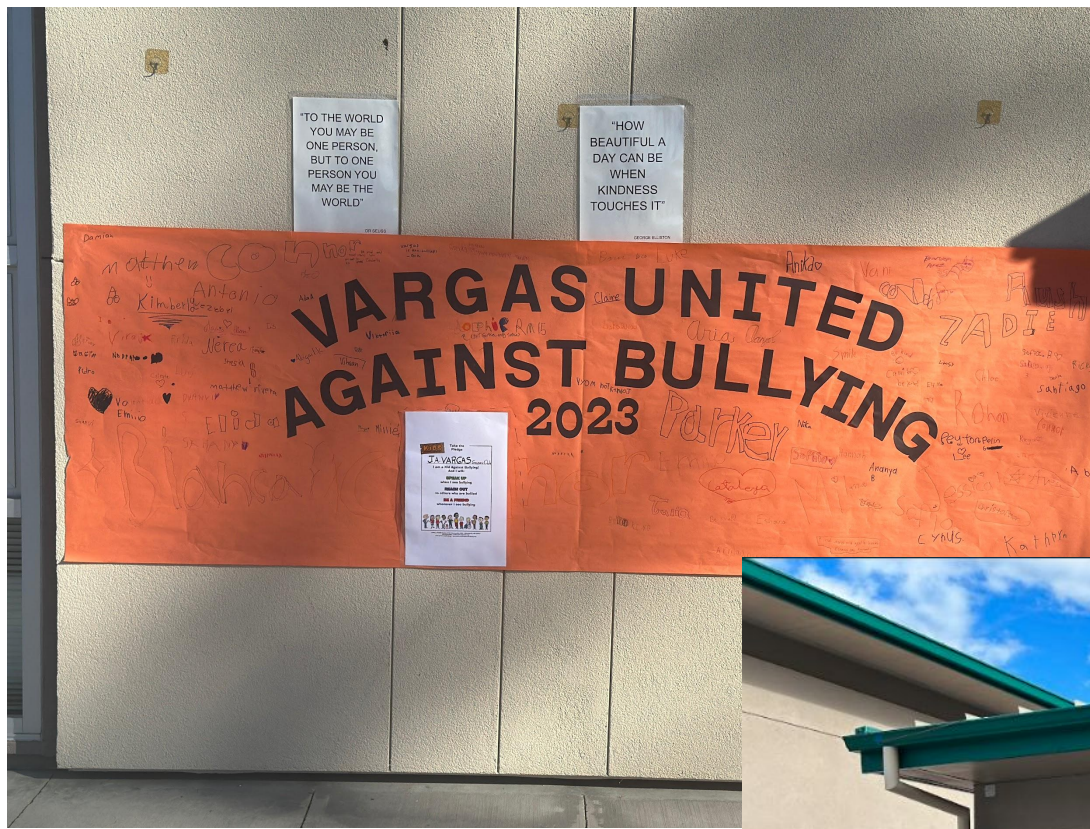
We have an incredibly diverse student population of 349 students. Collectively, we speak over 27 languages. Parents and students feel welcome at our school. Vargas was 1 of 781 schools nationwide to be named as America's Healthiest Schools for the 2022-2023 school year for increasing family and community engagement and improving social-emotional health and learning.

MVWSD schools have been recognized nationally for academic excellence, innovation and technology access.



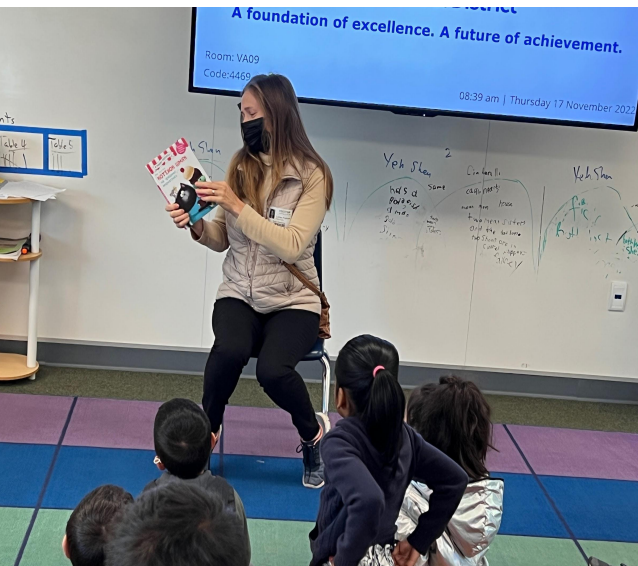
Programs Offered here

- CHAC (Community Health Awareness Council)
- MTC (Mentor Tutor Connection)
- After School Enrichment
- Lunch Clubs
- Calm Down Corner at Recess
- Student Council
- Composting programming
- Kinder helpers
- Community Events (Movie nights, Science nights, etc)

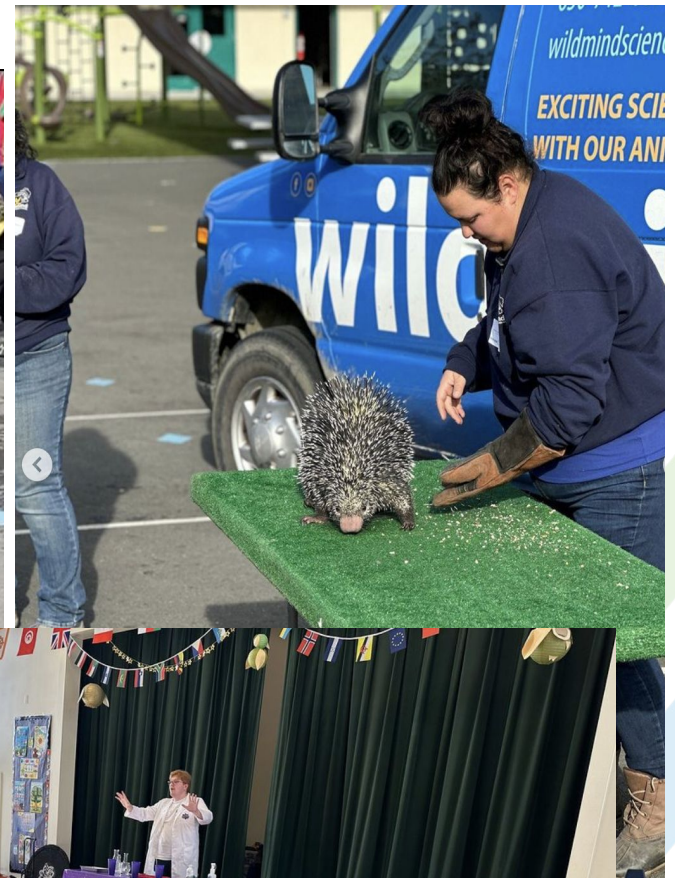


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Fourth, Fifth, STEAM, RSP

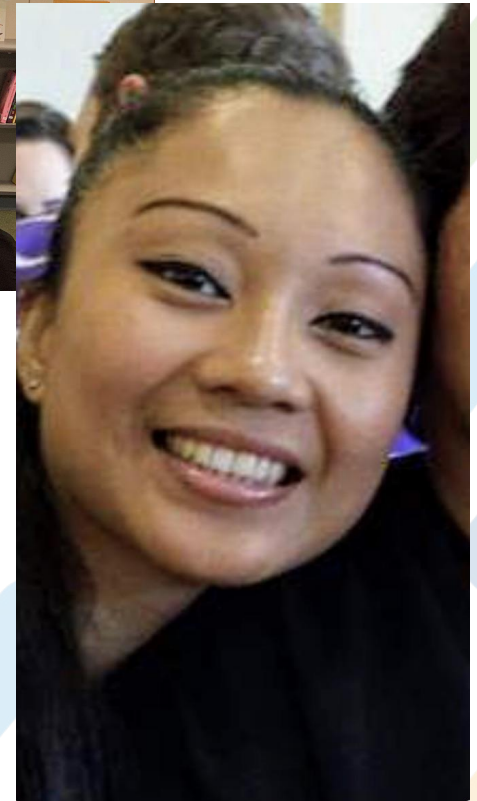
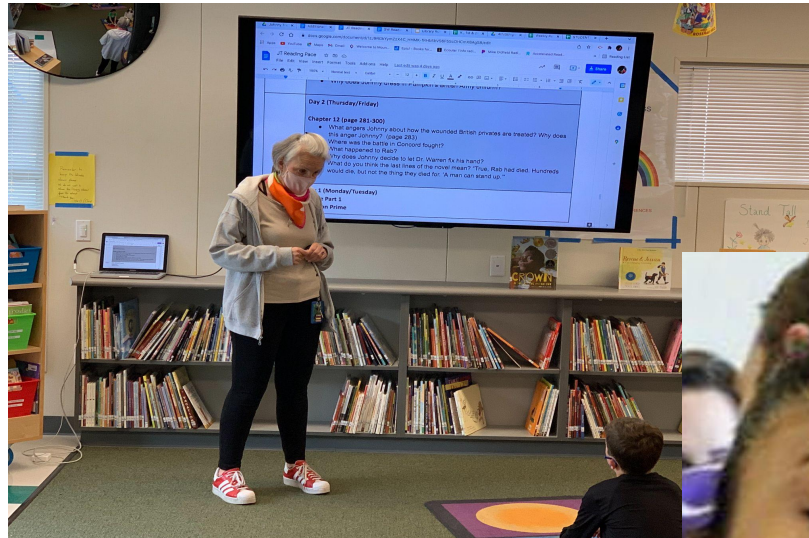


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Front Office Staff and Instructional Coach



Custodian, Librarian, Food Service

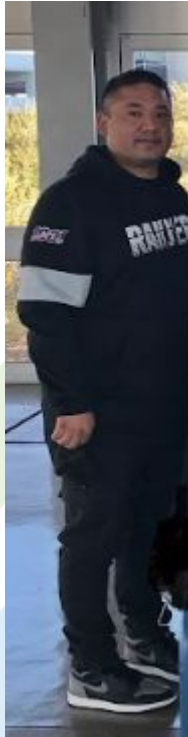


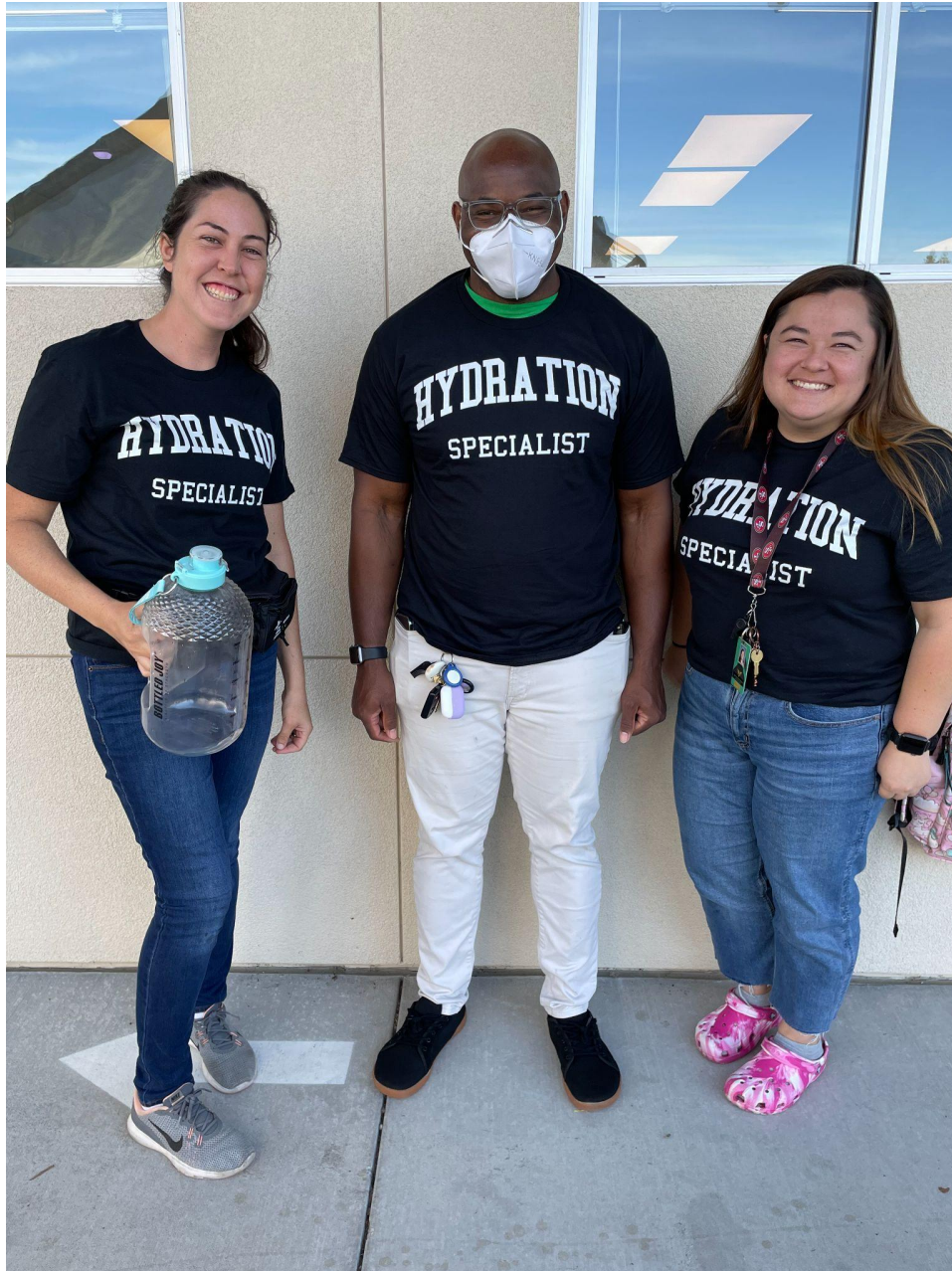
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Principal Taylor

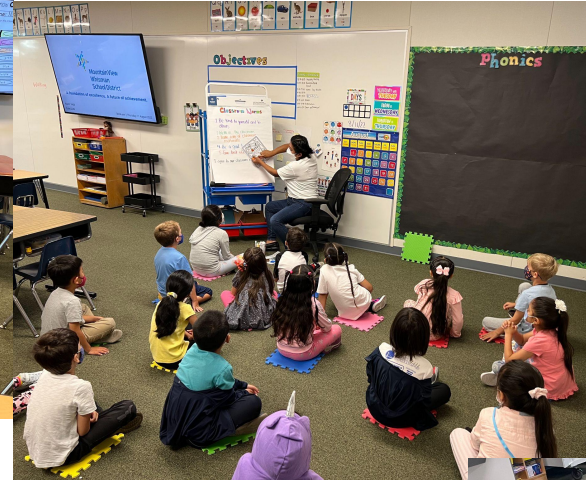
5th Year at Vargas

- MVWSD teacher, instructional coach and principal since 2008!

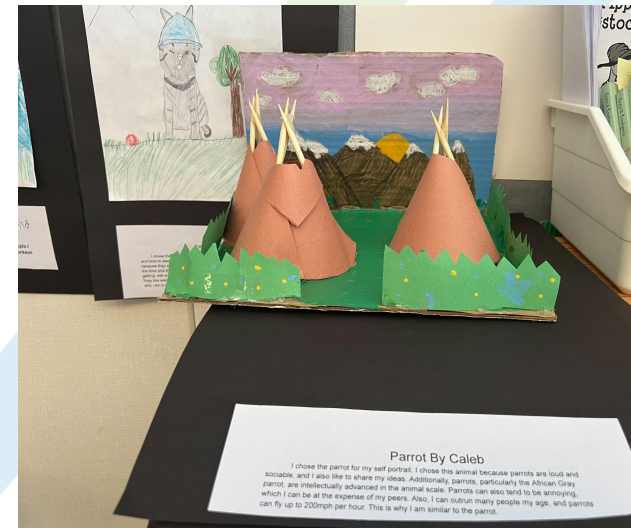
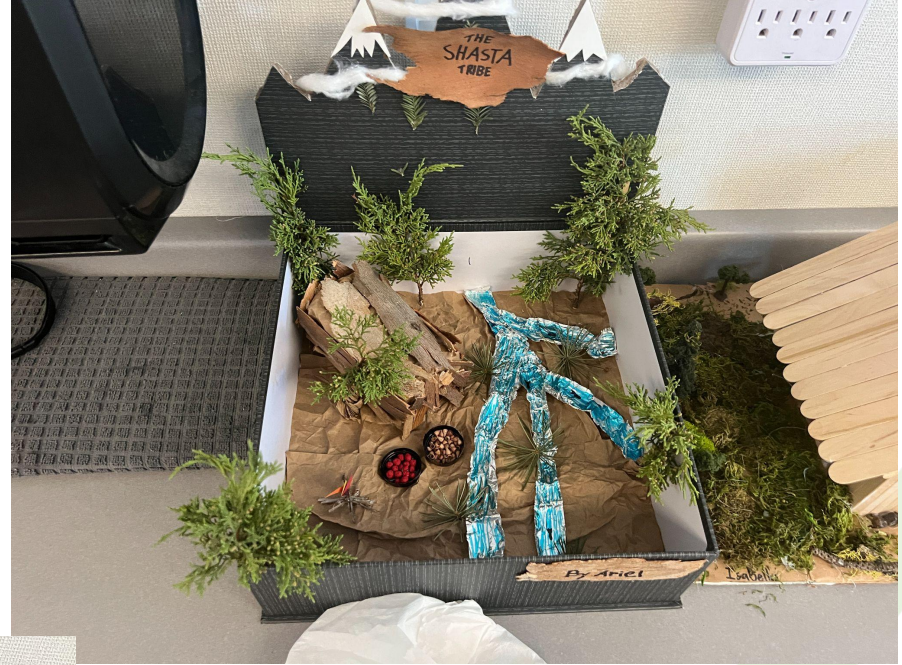


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Our Students and Families





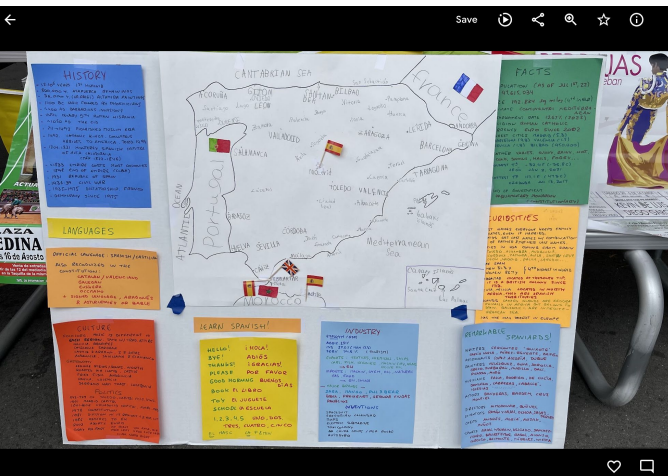














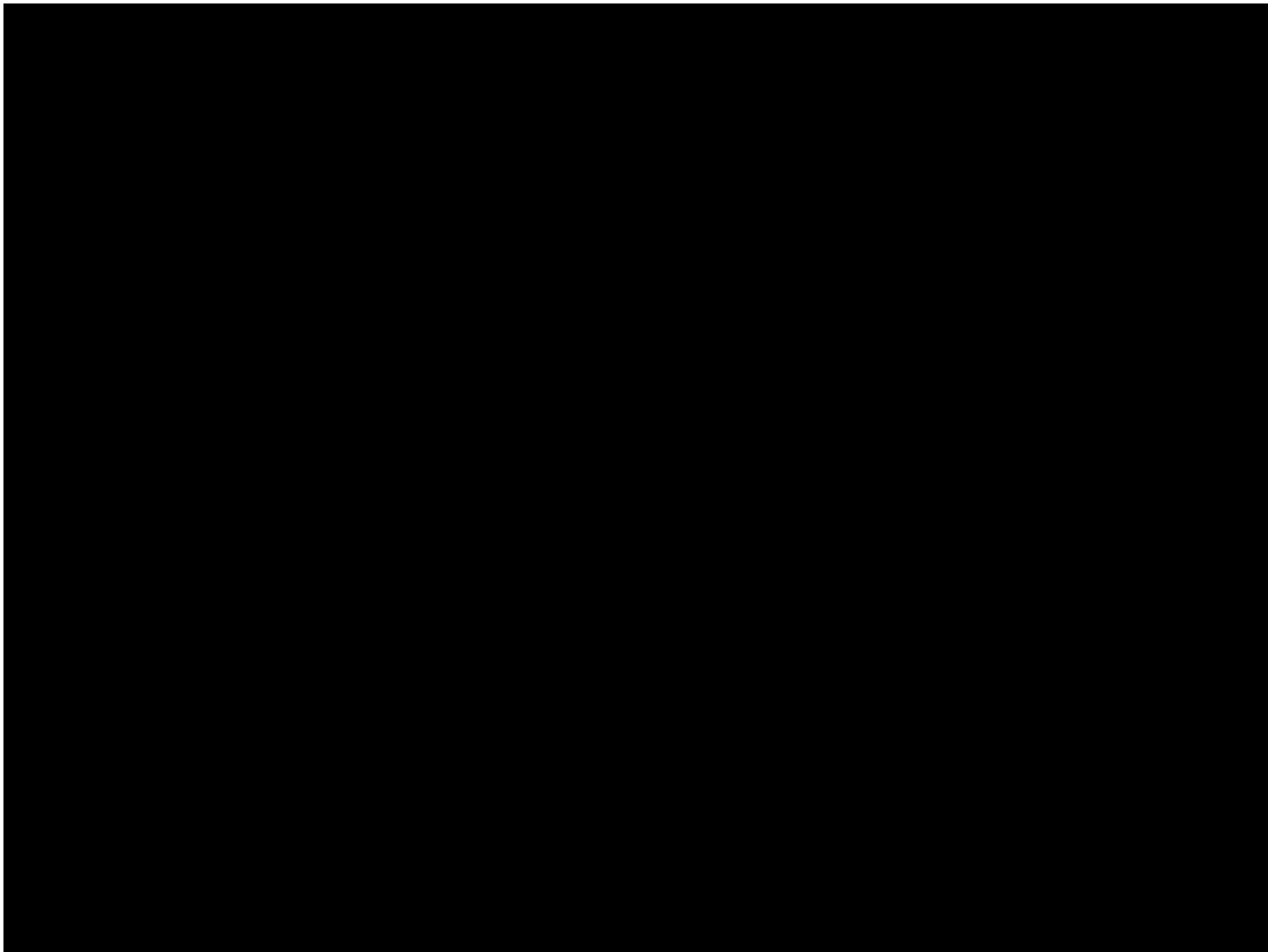








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A Week at Vargas

- Morning Routines
- Language Arts
- Math
- English Language Development (ELD)
- Recess/Lunch
- *Physical Education (1-5)
- Social Studies
- Science
- RTI (small group targeted instruction)
- Art and Music
- Library
- Choice/Extra Activities

Example Daily Schedule

8:00	School Begins
8:00-8:20	Morning Routine/Calendar
8:20-9:10	Math
9:10-10:00	RTI/STEAM
10:00-10:20	Snack/Recess
10:20-11:00	Language Arts
11:00-11:30	ELD (English Language Development rotations 5 x week)
11:30-12:15	Lunch/Recess
12:15-1:15	Language Arts (Reading)
1:15--1:40	Social Studies
1:40- 2:30	Physical Education
2:35	Dismissal**

****Kinder Dismissal is at 1:30**

****4th/5th Dismissal is at 2:40**

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Curriculum and Instruction

ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS

- Benchmark Advance
- Guided Reading
- Small Group Instruction
- RTI/STEAM
- ENGLISH LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT (ELD)
 - Benchmark Advance Curriculum correlates with themes and topics
 - Students rotate across grades K according to language skills and needs.

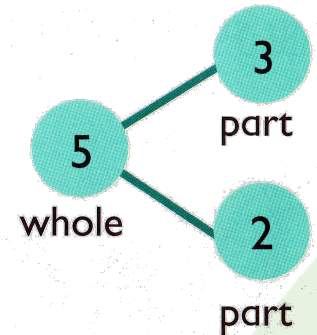
SKILLS:

- Listening
- Speaking
- Writing
- Reading

Curriculum and Instruction

MATHEMATICS CURRICULUM

- Eureka Math
- Blended Learning (iReady and Zearn)
- Manipulatives
- Small Group/whole group Instruction



SKILLS:

- Numbers
- Shapes
- Measurement
- Addition & Subtraction
- Composing & Decomposing Numbers

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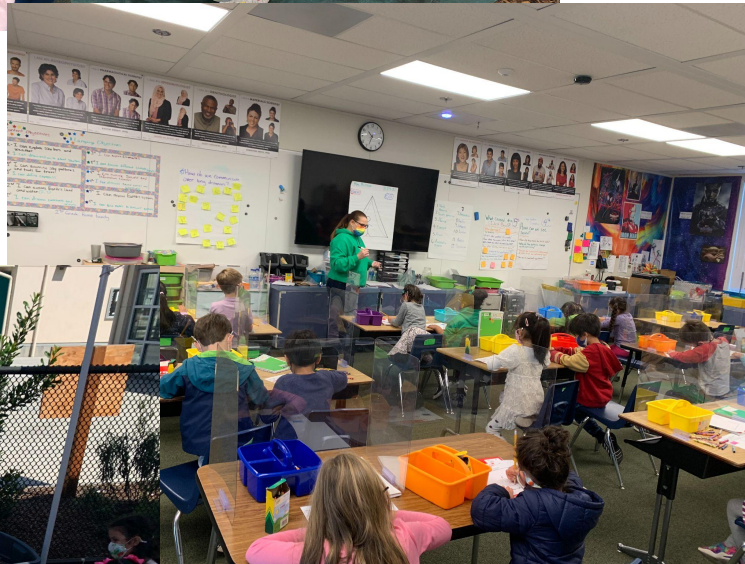


Science

- STEAM with Mrs. Bisbee and Mrs. Butchko
- Living Classroom
- Benchmark Advance ELA integrates science topics.

Social Studies

- TCI
- Benchmark Advance ELA integrates social studies topics.



Art, Music, Library, and Technology

Art-1 hour every other week through CSMA

Music-30 minutes every week through CSMA



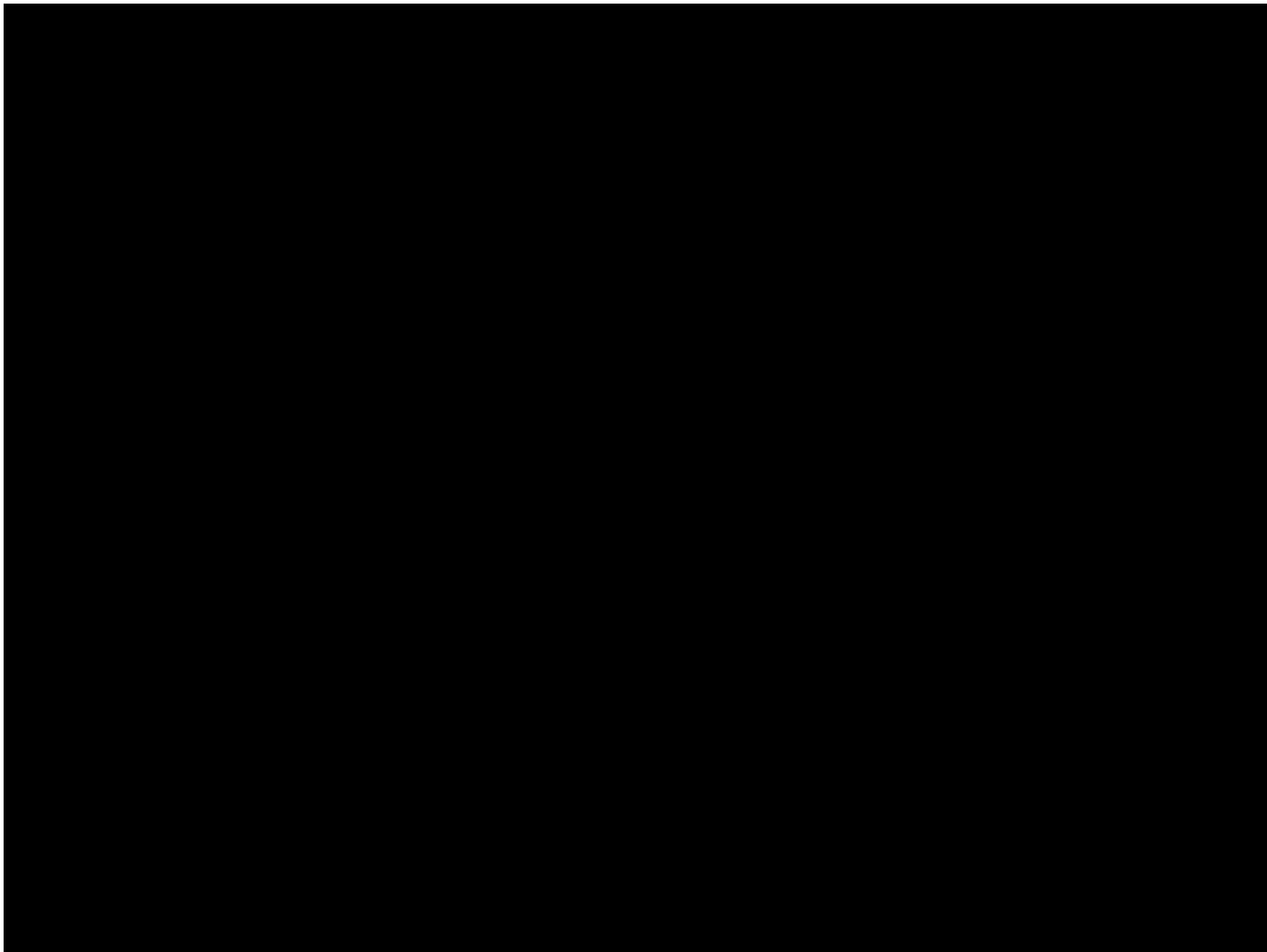
Library 30 minutes every week

Chromebook carts in classrooms

*MVEF supports CSMA programming.



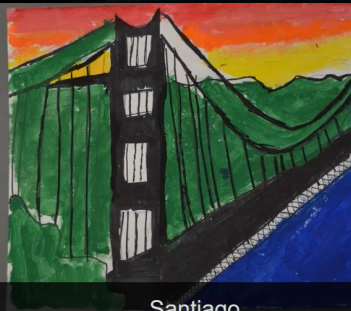
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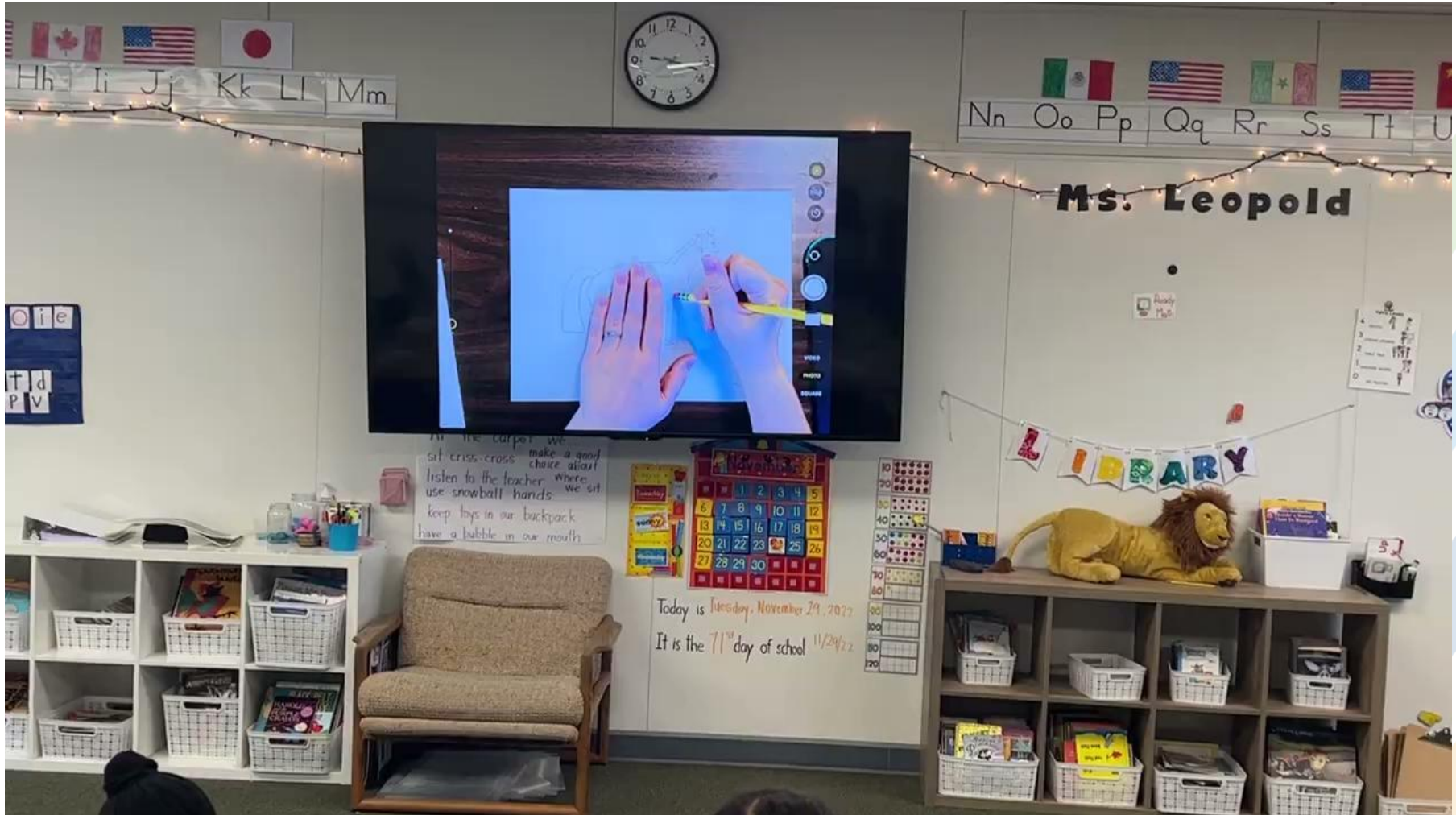


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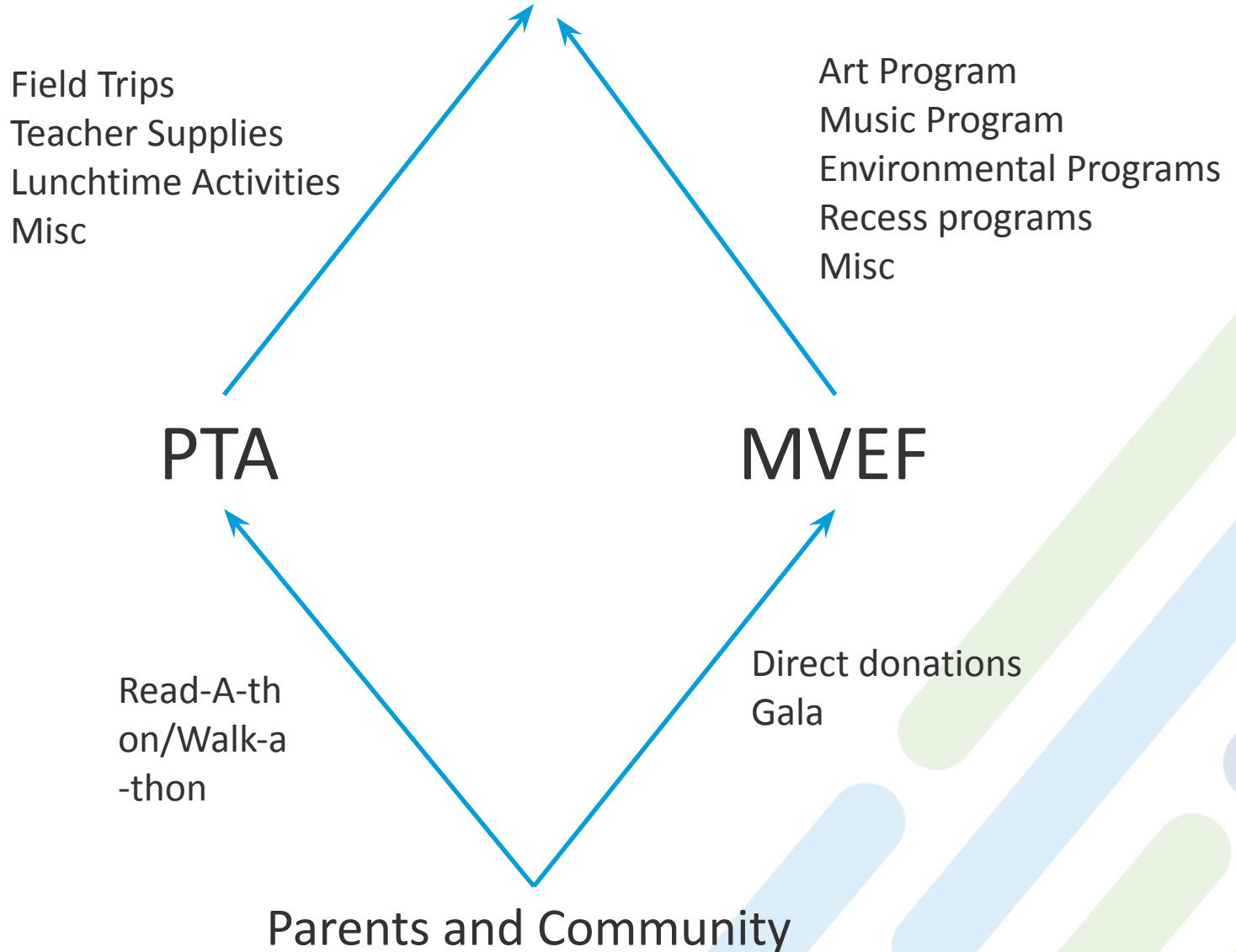
Both MVEF and PTA support our public schools.

- PTA unifies the school community, coordinates classroom and event volunteers, and tailors different programs at each school. PTA can not pay for teachers or staff.
- MVEF funding pays for teachers and staff to deliver essential educational programs, including teachers and staff, equitably at every school in MVWSD.

Tanto MVEF como PTA apoyan a nuestras escuelas públicas.

- La PTA construye la comunidad escolar, coordina a los voluntarios y adapta diferentes programas para cada escuela. La PTA no puede pagar por los maestros o el personal.
- Los fondos de MVEF pagan a los maestros y al personal para que brinden programas educativos esenciales de manera equitativa en todas las escuelas de MVWSD.

Jose Antonio Vargas Elementary School





**JOSE ANTONIO VARGAS
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

School-Wide Behavior Expectations

	Walkways	Restrooms	Cafeteria	Library	Playground	Office	Ballroom
Be Safe	Walk in the hallway Keep hands and feet to ourselves Hold the rail when you walk up and down the stairs (Don't lean over the rail) - rephrase this!	Keep water in the sink Use bathroom quickly and leave	Carry food with two hands	Walk in the library	Walk on the blacktop Run and kick balls on the grass or in the designated areas	Check in with Ms. Tellez or a teacher	Balls handed out and returned one at a time
Be Responsible	Be purposeful	Use at appropriate times Report problems to an adult Be water wise	Throw away trash Eat your own food Wait in your own spot in line Respect the nut free table Stay seated until an adult excuses you	Know the library expectations	Know playground expectations Freeze & down on one knee when the bell rings	Clean up materials you used	Use equipment for intended purpose Return materials (even if you didn't take it out)
Be Respectful	Quiet, walking feet Quiet voices	Personal space: one person in a stall Use soap and water appropriately	Use manners: please and thank you Clean up after yourself and help others	Take care of materials Inside voices	Take turns Be inclusive and kind Use good sportsmanship Respect adults	Wait patiently Inside voices	Share supplies Take turns
Be an Upstander	Pick up trash and help anyone in need of assistance	Notify an adult if something is wrong	Be clean and friendly	Model library expectations to others	Include everyone while playing	Be kind	Wait patiently in line



GOLDEN TICKET

This Golden Ticket is awarded to

in Room _____ for:

_____ Being Safe

_____ Being Responsible

_____ Using Respect

_____ Being an Upstander

Lunch (12:00-12:45)

School meals are free

MVWSD will continue to provide free meals to all students as part of California's universal meal program. Breakfast and lunches are available daily. Menus and nutritional analysis can be found on <https://www.mvwsd.org/nutrition>. There will be a vegetarian option each day. A count of those taking school lunch will be taken at the beginning of the school day. Students may bring their own self-contained lunches if desired.

School Supplies

Basic school supplies and textbooks are furnished for all students. Donations of items and funds are appreciated, but not required. It's possible that your teacher may ask for additional, donated supplies after the start of school. Your student is not expected to bring school supplies with them on the first day of school.

Volunteers

We welcome Volunteers. To volunteer, please follow the following Guidelines. [Click Here](#)

Before/AfterSchool Childcare

What is available at our school

Names of programs

Typically sign up in late Spring/Summer/ Early Fall

To find out if you qualify for free childcare...



Afterschool childcare (both paid and free for qualifying families) is available.
Learn more: mvwsd.org/childcare



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Step 1: Explore Your Options



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SCHOOL ENROLLMENT

FOLLOW THESE STEPS

[MVWSD.ORG/REGISTER](https://mvwsd.org/register)

You are
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1

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*Gather
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*Work on school
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Register January 22 - February 9

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What program is right for your learner?

For Fall 2024, if your child will be ...

Age	On or before	Apply for
3	December 2, 2024	Preschool
4	December 2, 2024	Preschool
5	Between September 2, 2024 and June 2, 2025	Transitional Kindergarten or Preschool (parents' choice)
5	September 1, 2024	Kindergarten
6	September 1, 2024	1st Grade

Open Enrollment is Jan. 22- Feb. 9 for
Transitional Kinders and older students

Explore Your Options

Transitional Kindergarten

- No cost, full day!
- Year 1 of a 2-year kindergarten
- Early educational skills, social-emotional and STEAM/hands-on learning
- At many elementary schools

Scan here for TK
Info Meeting Jan. 18



Kindergarten

- No cost, full day!
- Neighborhood school based on home address, or choice schools
- Choice programs:
 - Spanish-English Dual Immersion Program at Mistral Elementary
 - Parent Child Teacher (PACT) Program at Stevenson Elementary



Watch a Day in
the Life of a
Kinder!



¡Mira un día en la vida
de un niño!
(en español)

Explore Your Options

1. Your neighborhood school (Us!)

- Confirm your school at www.mvwsd.org/register > “Locate Your School/Residency”

2. A MVWSD choice school

- a. Our choice schools are tuition-free public schools.
- b. They offer the same curriculum as all of our elementary schools, in addition to specialized experiences for students.
- c. No special application required
- d. Must designate a choice school during open enrollment in January/ February

Gabriela Mistral Elementary

(Dual Immersion- Spanish/English)

505 Escuela Ave. | mistral.mvwsd.org

- Instruction in both Spanish and English
- Encourages global preparedness through biliteracy, bilingualism, and cultural awareness
- Focuses on cultural awareness and engagement
- Boosts empathy & decision-making skills
- Offers a rich culture in a generous, active community



Stevenson Elementary

(Parent and Child Teacher)

750 San Pierre Way | stevenson.mvwsd.org



- Parents to volunteer on campus to take part in their child's learning
- Offers innovative project-based learning
- Includes co-curricular programs like gardening and cooking
- Provides experiential learning to encourage curiosity and creativity
- Helps students grow into lifelong learners and responsible citizens

updated 12-2022

Learn more about choice schools

Mistral video



Stevenson video



Who are Choice Schools for? Everyone!

Following a lottery, your child may be placed in one of our choice schools or keep their seat at their high-quality neighborhood school.



<< Obtenga más información sobre la lotería de escuelas de elección en este video.

Learn more about the choice schools lottery in this video. >>



Still want to know even more about choice schools?

Tomorrow! (Jan. 11) Virtual Info Meetings

Mistral

5:30 p.m.

Zoom: <http://mvw.sd/MI111>

Stevenson

6:30 p.m.

Zoom: <http://mvw.sd/ST111>

In Person Choice School Events

Wednesday, January 17

@ 1:30 - 4 pm

at Theuerkauf Elementary

Wednesday, January 24

@ 2- 4 pm

at Castro Elementary



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Step 2: Prepare to Enroll



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Required documents

- **Proof of Age** - *One of the following:*
 - Birth certificate (cannot be an abstract)
 - Valid passport
 - Baptismal record
- **Immunization Record**
- **Proof of Residency**

Immunization Requirements

Let's watch together: [Immunizations video](#)

Immunizations required before coming to school

- **4 doses of Polio.** 3 doses OK if one was given on or after the 4th birthday.
- **5 doses of DTP/DTaP.** 4 doses OK if one was given on or after the 4th birthday.
- **3 Hepatitis B**
- **2 MMR** (measles, mumps, rubella). Both doses given on or after the 1st birthday.
- **2 Varicella** (chickenpox) or doctor verification of having the disease.
 - **Students entering 7th grade** also need a TDAP booster and the second dose of Varicella



Escanee o haga clic aquí para ver el video de vacunas en español

Please ensure the child's name and date of birth appears on each page of the immunization records.

*Covid immunizations should be included for any child that has one.

More documentation

Additionally, you will need:

- * Name, address of schools your student has previously attended (not preschool).
- * The names and contact information for afterschool providers.
- * The names and phone numbers of three people in addition to you who will be authorized to pick up the student from school.
- * Student health information including doctors' and dentists' names and contact information.



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Step 3: Time to Register!

Jan. 22- Feb. 9



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Time to Register

Logon to MVWSD.org/Register

- Go to the “Step 3” tab



- Jan 22- Feb 9
- Watch the “How to Register” video
([English](#) and [Spanish](#) videos available)

Click the registration button and follow the prompts

How to Get In-Person Help With Registration

Castro January 24 @ 5-7 p.m.

January 30 @ 5-7 p.m.

Vargas January 31 @ 5-7 p.m.

Theuerkauf February 1 @ 5-7 p.m.

Sign up here to attend any of the help sessions

<http://mvw.sd/help>

How to Get Help With Registration

- For enrollment information visit <https://www.mvwsd.org/register>
- Questions regarding enrollment studentservices@mvwsd.org
650-526-3500 ext. 1044
- To find your assigned neighborhood school, visit <https://www.mvwsd.org/register>
> “Locate Your School/Residency”

After Registration

You'll get an email from your school about opportunities to connect with your new school community before the start of the school year.



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Returning Students

Currently Enrolled Students

- Current TK-7th grade students will re-enroll using parents' PowerSchool accounts
- Open Enrollment for returning students starts on January 22
- If you would like to request a transfer to a Choice school for the next school year, you may request for an intradistrict transfer by completing an application online through PowerSchool Enrollment.

Questions?

