

## Serrano Elementary - Home of the Soaring, College-Bound Eagles -

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Dear Serrano Eagles,

Welcome to Serrano Elementary School. We are delighted to have your family join our wonderful Serrano Team. The success of Serrano is due to the exemplary relationship between the parents and teachers working together towards the same goal of high achievement and success for all children. As a 2016 California Gold Ribbon School, Serrano has worked very hard to create a program that provides support for every student. To maintain that excellence, we strongly encourage you to be involved.

The Mission of Serrano Elementary School is to become a high performing community school that engages all students in exemplary teaching and learning experiences that are rigorous, differentiated, meaningful and takes place in a safe and orderly environment!

Scholars will be well equipped to impact, influence and contribute to a global society, with the freedom to explore and develop their strengths!

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself. My name is Katherine Rizzo and I am honored to be the principal of Serrano Elementary. I am entering into my seventeenth year as school principal and my second year at Serrano. In my time on the Serrano campus, a few things have become quite evident: 1) Serrano is a place where strong connections are made between home and school and where all staff members support whole child development. 2) There is an intense obsession about the academic accomplishment of every student 3) our school can neutralize the challenges kids might bring to school 4) academic results, all students learning, is the number one goal in our school.

As we jump into the 21<sup>st</sup> Century, we move to an online platform for streamlining and collecting the many pieces of information we need from you at the beginning of the year. We ask that you take the next step in completing the registration process and log into the Serrano Parent Portal and input the required information <u>NO LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016</u>. Additionally, if you do not have or are unfamiliar with the Serrano Parent Portal, please contact the front office for login support.

I thank you in advance for supporting this school and I am so excited to travel with you through the 2016-2017 school year.

Best,

Katherine W. Rizzo Principal, Serrano Elementary