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Message from the Interim Superintendent, Raquel Rose



Dear Mill Valley School Community!

This past month I have had the opportunity to visit classrooms and experience teachers, support staff, and students engaging in inquiry, academic discourse, collaboration, and learning joy! At Back to School Night for our various sites I was impressed not only with the teacher presentations – but also with how engaged and attentive our parents were. I heard conversations about increasing student responsibility, acknowledgment of sharing different perspectives and one teacher made the comment – “I want kids to know they have no ceiling,” meaning the sky is the limit for our students. Having this small glimpse into the support our students experience day in and day out makes me proud to be a part of the Mill Valley School District.

Although, we are just five weeks into the new school year – we can be confident that our teachers, support staff, and administrative staff are working collectively on a common vision that reflects our dedication to developing globally-minded, compassionate, resilient, and courageous students to learn and lead change in their world. It is with this intentional focus that I am confident we will continue to move our district forward in the best interest of each and every child we get to serve.

Raquel Rose, Interim Superintendent

MVSD New Learner Profile Attributes 2018



Information Pertaining to Measure J

[A letter from Tara Taupier, Superintendent of the Tamalpais Union School District](#)

A Reminder About Smart Phones/Watches/Devices

Parents, as a reminder, cell phones and other electronic devices such as smart watches are to be turned off and kept in backpacks at all times during the school day. Parents are advised not to call/text their child during the day. If parents need to get a message to their child, they can leave it with the front desk. Your cooperation with this request allows our students the time they need to focus on learning.

Upcoming Parent Education Events

- October 15, 5-7:30pm at Edna Maguire: [Courageous Conversations Introduction for Parents & Community](#) (Repeat event from 2017/18 school year)
- October 23, 7-8pm at MVMS: [Parent Ed Speaker Series: Understanding the Intersection of School, Stress, and Social Media: Ana Homayoun](#)

Tam Valley Field Is Now Open!



On Friday, September 21, Tam Valley unveiled an upgraded field with a ribbon-cutting ceremony in front of students and staff hosted by principal Laura Myers, Interim Superintendent Raquel Rose,

School Board Vice President Leslie Wachtel, and Director of Maintenance and Operations John Binchi.

Due to safety concerns from long-term damage, the field was repaired and improved over this past summer. The upgrade project consisted of re-configuring the field slope and doing drainage, irrigation, and sod.

We want to thank District Groundsperson Nick Delucchi, District Maintenance worker Juan Llaverias, and Peter Arnold of Abey Arnold Associates, contracted architect for the field project, for their collective efforts in making this upgrade possible.

The field is now ready for students to enjoy!



Parent Advisory Committee

It's that time of year when we start developing our district's Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP), which aligns with our Strategic Plan to drive the initiatives we undertake across our schools. A key part of the LCAP's development is gathering input from a wide range of stakeholders, which includes our parent community.



The LCAP Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) is a forum for a diverse group of parents from across the district to share ideas for the LCAP about how we can continue to offer an exceptional education in Mill Valley that best serves our students. We would like to open up this opportunity to all parents to express an interest in participating on the PAC. This committee represents all six schools, and it is required to have a parent of an English Language Learner, a parent of a foster child, and a parent of low-income student on the PAC. The committee will hold multiple meetings throughout the school year (at least 4) to discuss our LCAP goals.

If you are interested in participating in the LCAP Parent Advisory Committee, please send an email to Wendy Holmes, Director of Curriculum and Instruction (wholmes@mvschools.org) answering these two questions:

1. Tell us about your involvement in Mill Valley schools, and how would you contribute to the development of our LCAP?
2. What diverse perspective would you bring to the committee?

We will select, at minimum, one parent representative for each school, and ensure that the required parent participants are represented on the committee. We look forward to engaging in these discussions and hearing your ideas for making our schools a place where all students thrive!

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