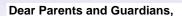
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Monthly Newsletter

DIRECTOR'S LETTER



It is with great pride and excitement that I write this letter of introduction to you as the newly appointed School Site Director of G3. I am honored to have the opportunity to lead a school with such a strong community culture and rich tradition of education! I am a Pacoima native and I absolutely love this community. I have been dedicated to the field of education here in Pacoima for over fifteen years. I have worked with a variety of students ranging in age from Kindergarten through High School. My most recent administrative experience was at Pacoima Charter Elementary School where I served as a coordinator. I am excited and eager to bring my skills as an educational leader to Vaughn G3 Academy and work with you as a partner in education to ensure your child's success.

Along with the teachers and staff, I will work hard to continue the legacy of success established by G3 by building strong relationships with parents, students and community partners. We will focus on character education initiatives, Common Core skills, the use of data to drive instruction, and to provide consistent implementation of the curriculum in a rigorous manner so that we can continue to increase all of the students' achievement.

All of us at Vaughn are eager and excited to begin what promises to be the best year ever – even if we are not physically together for a while. This year is going to be amazing as we continue to provide academic experiences for our students that are rigorous, relevant, and help them build relationships while making real-world connections. As your Principal, it is important to me that everyone who steps through our doors (or computer screens)- teachers, students and parents-are excited to be here! This attitude enables us to meet the challenges of academic excellence in a positive, fun, and nurturing environment. My door is always open and I welcome your input. Please feel free to call or email me to discuss any concerns you might have throughout the school year.

I look forward to working with you as a team to help each student at Vaughn G3 meet their goals and have a successful school year!

Best Regards, Ms. Rodriguez cirodriguez@myvaughncharter.com

NEW STAFF

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We are happy and excited to announce that we have several new staff members this school year. We have six new teachers at G3. Please help me give a warm G3 welcome to the second grade team: Ms. Anguiano, Ms. Villanueva, Ms. Ramos, and Mrs. Gutierrez. We would also like to welcome Mrs. Adams and Ms. Murphy to third grade.

DISTANCE LEARNING



In order to provide the safest and healthiest environment for all of our students and staff, G3 will begin its year through Distance Learning. We all wish we could be meeting in person so that you can see the joy and excitement in all of the teachers' faces. However, our promise is to bring that joy and excitement for the new year virtually. We will monitor the virus closely and open our doors as soon as it's safe enough to do so. For now, since we will be distance learning, we will be needing parent support more than ever. We are relying on you as a partner in your child's education. We will be communicating our specific schedules by grade level, but we would like to share some important aspects of distance learning:

- Create and assign a designated learning space free from distractions.
- Attendance will be taken and counted on a daily basis, including being on time.
- Students will be graded based on completion of assignments and participation.
- Students should be dressed, prepared, and seated for class as if they are in the classroom.

Lunch Pick Up

To help ensure that all of our students are receiving daily, nutritious meals and to make life easier for all of our parents, we will be distributing meals every Monday. Meal pickups will include breakfast and lunch for the entire week. Every time you come to pick up your child's meals, you will receive one hour of parent volunteer time. Please make it a priority to pick up your child's meals so that we can continue our free meal programs for our students and so that we are not wasting. We at G3 want to help our families and our environment. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.



TECHNOLOGY HELP

Should you need any assistance with technology, please reach out to our IT Department. You can reach them by email at:

helpdesk@myvaughn.freshservice.com

Or call (877) 239-7642



Social-Emotional Support



As this pandemic continues to affect our everyday lives, we understand that families and children may be experiencing significant hardships. We would like you all to know that we are here for you as a community. At G3, we have several resources and people that you can reach out to. Please know that you are not alone. You can reach out to the following people at any time:

Counselor: Beatriz Jaramillo - bjaramillo@myvaughncharter.com

School Social Worker: Arturo Chavez - achavez@myvaughncharter.com

We are going to continue to work together to meet the needs of all of our students.

Special Population Services

If your child receives special services, they will continue to receive them via Zoom. Our resource teachers will reach out to you with a schedule. Should you need to reach them, you can contact Ivette Garcia at igarcia@myvaughncharter.com

Class Dojo



Please make sure you are signed up to our school's Class Dojo so that you don't miss any important announcements. To sign up, please ask your child's teacher for instructions.

We continue to look forward to the time that we can all unite physically as a school community. Until then, please keep up hope, stay safe, and stay healthy.

In solidarity, Vaughn G3 Staff