

Hoop Valley Elementary School



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Dear Parent/Guardian and Hoopa Valley Elementary Community,

We have a tremendous school. Our students are the shining lights of this community. We want them to thrive academically, socially & emotionally, and physically. We dearly appreciate that you have entrusted your child to us. Their growth and well-being is of the utmost importance to us and to the Governing Board.

To that end, the district has continued to monitor and assess the mold levels in all of our schools. An emergency board meeting was held today and reports were received from Asbestos Science Technologies, Inc. The reports of the most recent assessments were shared and concluded that there are raised levels present in many of the schools within our district. This includes Hoopa Valley Elementary.

Keeping the health and welfare of our students and staff, the Learning Center complex which currently houses our Kindergarten, First, Second, and Third grade classrooms are now closed.

On December 19, 2016, containment and abatement of this complex will begin and they will continue to be closed until the complex is free of mold. While these grade levels will have a new "home" on January 2, 2017, it is imperative to note that they will continue to learn and grow during this time. We will work extremely hard at making the transitions as smooth and easy as possible.

Many of you have seen the new classrooms and more are opening on January 2, 2017 for our 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 6th grades. It is very exciting to see such wonderful learning spaces become available as permanent homes for grades 3rd – 8th and 2 of our special education programs. While the transitions have been difficult and inconvenient at times, the reality of state-of-the-art, ADA compliant classrooms are

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ready for permanent learning for 16 classes. So, as difficult as this news is, the important thing to remember is that this district has continued to monitor the mold levels and acted swiftly to ensure that student and staff health is protected. It has also committed to providing not a quick fix, but a fix that has the vision for learning not only for your child this year but your child's children that will be safe and viable learning and playing environments decades into the future.

The following is a listing of new room assignments. Third – Eighth grades are their new permanent homes. Kindergarten – Second will be tentatively and temporarily in the assigned rooms.

I will be hosting a community meeting for questions and concerns 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, January 4, 2017 in the HVES gymnasium.

Room 1: Ritschel – 8th

Room 13: West – 3rd

Room 2: Silvia – 8th

Room 14: Montalvo – 3rd

Room 3: Peters – 7th

Room 15: Parish – LiFE-SDC

Room 4: Edgar – 7th

Portable Room 26: Lo, Kinder

Room 5: Sanders – 6th

Portable Room 25: Marshall, Kinder

Room 6: Soderfelt – 6th

Portable Room 27: Corona/Perez, 2nd

Room 7: Jiang – 5th

Portable Room 28: Carsen-Hansen/Perez, 2nd

Room 8: Clark – 5th

Portable Room 32: McKinnon, 1st

Room 9: Matilton – 4th

Portable Room 33: Stephens, 1st

Room 10: Paytas – 4th

Portable Room 34: Cyr, 1st

Room 11: Cape – 3rd

Portable Room 35: Minjiras, SDC

Room 12: Wickerd, RSP

I invite you to check our Facebook Page: Hoopa Valley Elementary School for updated information throughout the Winter Break. I assure you that we will be ready for school on Monday, January 2, 2017.

Most Sincerely,

Paula M. Wyant