



HESPERIA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Elementary Schools

Carmel 947-3188
Cottonwood 949-1390
Cypress Academy 949-2596
Eucalyptus 949-0815
Hollyvale 947-3484
Joshua Circle 244-6133
Juniper 244-6161
Kingston 244-8869
Lime Street 244-0512
Maple 244-3096
Mesa Academy 244-6306
Mesa Grande 244-3709
Mesquite Trails 949-3149
Mission Crest 949-8265
Oxford Academy 949-8364
Topaz 244-4622

Secondary Schools

Canyon Ridge 244-6530
Cedar Middle 244-6093
Hesperia Jr. High 244-9386
Ranchero Middle 948-0175
AEC, ROP 244-1771
Desert Trails 948-8169
Canyon Ridge High 244-6530
Hesperia High 244-9898
Mojave High 948-3999
Sultana High 947-6777

Dear HUSD Family,

As we are well into our first month of the 08/09 school year, I'd like to take a moment to "look back" as we plan ahead. Here is just a short list of some of our accomplishments during the last year:

- Completion of three schools (Mission Crest, Cedar Middle and Canyon Ridge)
- Construction of Oak Hills High School got underway (completion by August 2009)
- Hiring of Additional Police Officers
- Expansion of Alt Ed Programs
- Establishment of ADA Incentive Plan
- First Choice School (Cypress Academy)
- Completed HTA and CSEA Contract Negotiations
- Increased Performance on API

We have a right to be very proud of the accomplishments to better our District. I'd also like to mention our updated Core Values and Goals. As I visit schools, I'm so pleased to see them posted throughout classrooms and offices. Working together we can see these goals become a reality that will benefit our students, staff and parents.

The challenges that lie before us are great – no state budget, enrollment that is below our projections, higher energy costs, etc. However, the passion and commitment I see on a daily basis from so many of you is uplifting to me. Let me encourage you to look beyond the negatives and focus instead on the positive things we can do together to benefit our students. It is those who are willing to put forth that "one degree of difference" that can truly move our District from good to great.

It is my honor to be your superintendent.

Sincerely,

Mark A. McKinney
Superintendent