

Albert Einstein Middle School

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> Chase Tafoya, Principal Curtis Holmes, Assistant Principal

Dear Albert Einstein Middle School Students, Parents, and Community,

I am honored to be the new Assistant Principal at Albert Einstein Middle School, and I look forward to working alongside our students, families, and community, to provide a demanding and engaging school experience that allows our students once again to explore, discover, and create, on our campus. My goal is to work with everyone involved with Albert Einstein Middle to support Principal Tafoya while providing a positive learning environment where all students have the opportunity to reach their goals academically, emotionally, socially, and athletically. As a proud member of the Rosemont community for the past 17 years as both a teacher and resident, it is an exciting opportunity to continue serving this great community as the assistant principal. My wife, who is also an elementary school principal in SCUSD, calls it "Home Grown." Our first house was in Rosemont and my first teaching position was at Einstein teaching 7th and 8th grade science. Einstein is home, and even though my role has changed, I'm still focused on doing my best for the students, staff, parents, and community.

Looking to the upcoming school year, there have been many issues our students have faced over the last 18 months due to the pandemic. These have created difficulties for our students academically, socially, and emotionally, so our staff will work diligently to provide a safe learning environment as we welcome all of our students back on campus in September. As we continue to support Einstein's vision: To prepare students to show initiative, strive for personal excellence, and actively contribute to a team in order to compete and succeed in high school, college, career and life; we are committed to supporting our students, staff and parents, to provide a student-centered, positive environment which allows all stakeholders to provide input. As an equity-driven leader, I not only value the input of our staff but also of the students and parents, so please be a part of the PTSA, English Learner Advisory Committee or the School Site Council. We want to be a data-driven school who also champions equity and social justice for all, so be a part of the dialogue with us to teach our students how to be their absolute best while supporting others around them.

I look forward to meeting all of our new 7th and 8th grade students on campus and continuing to establish relationships with all of our returning 8th grade students as well. Parents I look forward to meeting you at the 7th or 8th grade orientation days, at the morning drop-off the first week of school, or at the first Einstein on-campus event. Please contact the school at (916) 395-5310 or I can be reached at curtis-holmes@scusd.edu for more information. We understand that for Einstein to have a successful year, it will take all of the stakeholders working together, so come and be a part of our community and success!

All the best,

Curtis Holmes

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