

Albert Einstein Middle School

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Dear Albert Einstein Middle School Parents and Community,

I am very honored to serve as the new Principal of Albert Einstein Principal Middle School starting this summer. I am looking forward to working with our students, families, and staff to provide an engaging and rigorous school experience that supports our students in becoming college, career, and life ready. My aim is to work collaboratively with all school stakeholders to foster a caring learning environment where all students reach their full potential both academically and socially-emotionally. I am a proud product of SCUSD schools, having attended SCUSD schools from kindergarten through 12th grade. I come with vast experience as a K-12 educator having previously been a high school Spanish teacher at Hiram Johnson and Kennedy High Schools, and later as an Assistant Principal at Elder Creek Elementary, John Still K-8, and Will C. Wood Middle Schools. For the past four years I have been the principal at Woodbine Elementary School. I also am thrilled to be a SCUSD parent of an incoming 1st grader. I am enthusiastic to now join the Einstein community as your principal, and to draw on my past experiences to serve all school stakeholders so our Albert Einstein students are successful.

Going into the upcoming school year, I recognize that many disruptions to school caused by the pandemic have led to many hardships for our students and families. These hardships have affected our students and communities on many levels both in and out of school. Please know that our team at Albert Einstein Middle School will be planning for a safe and nurturing learning environment that will ensure our students have the support they need to be successful in every area of school. As we move forward and approach the first day of the 2021-22 school year (9/2/2021), we will be sending out more information regarding orientations, your child's schedule, and our programs, activities, and supports. In the meantime I am looking forward to meeting our scholars at Albert Einstein Middle School and seeing them in our classrooms and halls for the upcoming school year!

As your principal, I will work diligently and collaboratively to support Albert Einstein Middle School'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. In order to achieve this goal, I am committed to engaging with our staff, parents, students, and community in ongoing dialogue. Through this dialogue we will bring the programs, resources, and practices our students need to thrive with a mindset grounded in equity, access, and social justice for all. By being data-driven, student-centered, and working together, we will make sure our students reach their immense potential as inspired, lifelong learners.

I value our parents as our children's first teachers, and to that end I look forward to collaborating with our families to enrich our students' school experience. We offer the following forums to work together

throughout the school year: English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC), School Site Council (SSC), and others that can be found on our school webpage https://einstein.scusd.edu/. Please contact the school (916) 395-5310, or email me chase-tafoya@scusd.edu for more information. Our parents and community members are vital to our school's success! I look forward to meeting and seeing you in the coming days and weeks at Einstein.

Sincerely,

Chase Tafoya

Principal, Albert Einstein Middle School