

August 10, 2021

Dear Las Palmas Elementary School Parents/Guardians,

As principal of Las Palmas Elementary, I'm incredibly excited to welcome you to the 2021-2022 school year. I am honored to have the opportunity to lead a school with such wonderful students, an extremely dedicated staff, and a supportive school community.

Our academic and enrichment programs continue to be a source of pride—from our ELD and Dual Language Immersion Program, to our Gold Medal PBIS Schoolwide Program. Please know that we are committed to the success of every student. We want them to feel welcomed, respected and connected to our school community and will do everything possible to ensure they have the support and resources to succeed.

**Tuesday, Aug. 17, 2021, is the first day of school. Our students will return to full-day, in-person instruction five days a week. Our start time is 8:45 a.m.** Students will start at the same time every day and will be released two hours early on Wednesdays (1:27pm on Early Out Wednesdays).

Attendance is critical to your child's success. Please make sure your child arrives on time and ready to learn. If you have questions, call (916) 566-2700. Please leave your name, number and a message. You can also find information on our school website: <http://laspalmas.twinriversusd.org/>.

You've been amazing in your commitment to help us keep our school moving forward. I feel very fortunate to be here and look forward to a great school year!

Sincerely,

Megan Simmons  
Principal  
Las Palmas Elementary School

## **Key Information for the Start of School:**

### **Classroom Environment**

- Students and adults will be required to wear masks at all times while indoors and on buses unless they have an exemption: <https://bit.ly/3rYV7tw>.
- Masks will not be required outside during recess and while eating lunch.
- Students will be spaced in classrooms according to guidance even when masked.

### **Health and Safety**

- Families are asked to screen K-12 students for COVID-19 symptoms each morning before school.

- Student Home Symptom Checks - [Click here for information in English as well as multiple languages.](#)

### **ID Cards and Bus Schedules**

- [Click here to find your bus stop](#)
- School sites will issue new student ID cards after school starts.

### **Computers and Supplies:**

- Every student will be provided with a Chromebook, backpack with a name badge, headphones, and some school supplies on the first day of school.
- Students are asked to bring their Chromebooks to school fully charged every day.

### **High School Athletics Update**

- Outdoor competitions will resume - at this time, players do not have to wear masks during outdoor competitions.
- Indoor athletics will resume with masks required for players and spectators.
- Public attendance at athletic events is not restricted at this time.
- There is no testing requirement for sports at this time.

### **Campus Visitors**

- **Visitors will not be permitted on campus without proof of vaccination or evidence of a negative COVID-19 test within 72 hours.** If you need assistance with testing, click [here](#).

### **Vaccine Availability**

- COVID-19 vaccines are available at no cost in Sacramento County and elsewhere. Click [here](#) for locations.

### **Cleaning Protocols**

- Cleaning protocols for classrooms will remain in place consistent with the 20-21 school year. [Click here for the COVID-19 Prevention Program.](#)