

# Encinita Leadership Academy

## Rosemead School District



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*"Soaring to New Heights"*

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***"Inspired to Learn, Empowered to Lead, Enriched to Give"***

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Dear Encinita Family,

It is an honor to introduce myself, Linda Chang, as your next principal of Encinita Elementary School. I am humbled to have been selected to join the exceptional Rosemead School District community, a district known for their commitment to student leadership and learning. For the past 14 years of my career in Pasadena Unified and Temple City Unified, I served as a teacher, an instructional coach and a principal. This is my 5th year as an elementary school principal, and I feel more excited than ever to partner with my new Encinita family.

I am the eldest of four children raised by working class parents from China. Growing up in El Sereno, I recognized at an early age the value of hard work and the power of hope. I credit the public school system and the role models I had throughout my educational career for motivating me to dream for more. My goal as an educator is to ensure that all our students feel empowered and have daily opportunities to unlock their maximum potential. Together, it is my hope that we continue to foster a positive learning environment for all students to thrive and develop into responsible, respectful, compassionate and productive leaders in our global society.

Our school has a remarkable reputation for our welcoming campus, happy children, dedicated staff, innovative teaching practices and supportive parents. I am committed to continuing the legacy of educational excellence set forth by exceptional leaders that came before me. We have a strong foundation to continue our mission toward creating tailored experiences through Writer's Workshop, STEAM, Balanced Literacy and *Leader in Me* so all students can make optimal academic and social growth.

I truly look forward to getting to know all of you individually and forming everlasting partnerships. I value people and will spend the time and energy towards collaborating with you, learning alongside you, caring for you and having fun with you! Again, I am beyond thankful for this opportunity to advocate for our students and school. I thank you for entrusting us with your precious children and I pledge to you that we will do everything in our power to give our students and families the best educational experience we can envision.

I look forward to meeting you soon!

Yours truly,  
Linda Chang, Ed.D.

