



3907 Rosemead Boulevard, Rosemead, California 91770Contact: Cynthia Bracamonte, Exec. Asst. to the SuperintendentTel: 626.312.2900 x212Fax: 626.312.2906



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: December 7, 2018

Rosemead School District Board of Trustees Appoints New Superintendent of Schools

Rosemead, California: Completing its search for the next Superintendent, the Board of Trustees is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. Alejandro Ruvalcaba, as the new Superintendent of Schools for the Rosemead School District effective December 6, 2018. Current Interim Superintendent Dr. Jennifer Fang will be assisting with the transition through December.

The Board of Trustees was very excited to have an excellent candidate pool of 34 candidates for the Superintendent position including applicants from diverse geographic and professional backgrounds. The search process included input from all stakeholders including students, parents, District employees, parent support groups, and the community members through group and individual input forums with feedback from a total of 221 individuals



and more than 20 hours of comments. The Board of Trustees received the input report which included the District's strengths and critical issues, as well as, the characteristics desired in the new superintendent which included unedited feedback composed from completed surveys collected through school sites, mailed in, and an online survey. Each member of the Board of Trustees reviewed each application submitted and as a team selected eight candidates to interview, of which two candidates were granted a final interview. The interview process included the checking of references prior to interviews.

Currently, Mr. Alejandro Ruvalcaba is the Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources, in the Upland Unified School District. He brings a wealth of knowledge and expertise including experience as an Assistant Superintendent, Secondary Education, also in the Upland Unified School District, and a Principal at West Covina High School in the West Covina Unified School District.

"The Board of Trustees has chosen a proven educational leader who brings a wealth of knowledge and expertise of educational experiences," said Ms. Nancy Armenta, President of the Board of Trustees. "We are confident and excited in our selection of Mr. Ruvalcaba, as the new Superintendent. The Board and District look forward to Mr. Ruvalcaba's ability to lead the Rosemead School District into the future in a positive and successful direction by pushing the district and all students, to flourish and continue its stride towards excellence both academically and socially."

Mr. Ruvalcaba's leadership has included key collaborative decision-making to provide the necessary supports to help students realize success. During his time as a leader with Upland Unified School District, Mr. Ruvalcaba led a number of initiatives including a strategic transition to Common Core Standards, equitable access to and effective use of technology as a means to support instruction and student achievement, ensuring rigorous and consistent teaching and instructional practices, implementation of differentiated professional development for all district staff members, establishing a true College and Career focused school culture, and implementation of programs and services to meet the social and emotional needs of students.

Mr. Ruvalcaba is highly regarded for his commitment to equity, raising academic standards and addressing achievement and opportunity gaps. Mr. Ruvalcaba's responsive and collaborative approach has brought change to how students are supported.

"I am humbled and honored to have been selected to serve the Rosemead School District as the new Superintendent of Schools. I look forward to partnering with our Board of Trustees, dedicated staff, talented students, supportive families, and community partners to ensure we provide a challenging academic environment that is safe, embraces diversity, and supports high levels of student achievement," said Superintendent Ruvalcaba.

The Board of Trustees and District staff would like to graciously thank Interim Superintendent Dr. Jennifer Fang for her leadership, dedication, and unwavering commitment to public education during the recent transition at Rosemead School District.

About Rosemead School District

The Rosemead School District (RSD) was established in 1859 and is a Local Education Agency (LEA) led by Interim Superintendent Dr. Jennifer Fang. The District's education program includes students in preschool, transitional kindergarten, kindergarten, and grades 1st through 8th. The Rosemead School District offers programs as follows and are not limited to: Full Day Kindergarten, English Language Development (ELD); Instrumental Music program (4th-8th grades); Student in Need program; State Preschool; Transitional Kindergarten; Before and Afterschool programs: K.S.A.R.T. (Kinder After School Recreational and Tutorial), A.S.A.R.T. (After School Recreational and Tutorial), A.S.A.R.T. (After School Recreational and Tutorial), Science Olympiad; Franklin Covey's Leader in Me® Program and 7-Habits^o; Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports (PBIS); Migrant Education; and Special Education programs. For more information about the Rosemead School District, please visit <u>www.rosemead.k12.ca.us</u>. For more information about school educational programs, please contact the Educational Services Department at (626) 312-2900 x213.

We encourage everyone to follow the Rosemead School District via the *free* Rosemead Mobile App, download the app today (for instructions visit <u>https://www.rosemead.k12.ca.us/Page/336</u>). Stay informed about the great things happening at the Rosemead School District via Twitter a <u>@CommunicateRSD</u>, Instagram <u>@@communicationsrsd</u>, Facebook <u>@RosemeadSchoolDistrict</u>, or follow our YouTube Channel at <u>www.youtube.com/communicationscenterRSD</u>.