

## Press Release

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## Rosemead School District Announces the Recognition of Mr. Mark Baum, as the Recipient of the 2023-2024 Golden Apple Award

**Rosemead, California**: The Rosemead School District Board of Trustees and District Administration is pleased to announce that Mr. Mark Baum has been selected for the prestigious Golden Apple Award for his outstanding volunteer work in the Rosemead School District. This award recognizes individuals who have demonstrated exceptional dedication and commitment to positively impacting our students through their volunteer efforts.

The Rosemead School District recognized Mr. Baum at a special ceremony on February 27, 2024, where he was accompanied by his wife and retired Rosemead School District teacher, Mrs. Linda Baum.

The Golden Apple Award is organized by the North West San Gabriel Valley Association of California School Administrators (ACSA) to recognize the work and contributions of outstanding volunteers. The award is presented to volunteers who go above and beyond to support their district community.

"The Rosemead School District is proud to present Mr. Mark Baum as this year's recipient of the Golden Apple Award. Mark serves our students in various capacities. He has been a substitute teacher with us since 2016. Mark is a preferred substitute teacher in Rosemead. He can be seen onsite at one of our many schools almost daily. I could go on and on about Mark's standing as a substitute in our district. But, the Golden Apple Award is given to community members who go above and beyond.

His dedication to serving and supporting our kids beyond

the classroom earned him this recognition," shared Superintendent Dr. Alejandro Ruvalcaba.



The following are a few comments District team members shared about Mark:

- "When he is not serving in the classroom, he can be found practicing the 7th Habit of sharpening his saw by coaching students. Thank you, Mr. Baum, for all of your hard work and dedication to our students!"
- o "We are proud to acknowledge the commitment and dedication that Mark has given us year after year as he selfishly donates his time and support to our running club. Rain or shine, Mark is always present to support our students. It is with great gratitude and honor that we award him the Golden Apple Award on behalf of not only Muscatel Middle School but all students and the community at RSD."
- "Congratulations on winning the Golden Apple Award. Thank you for being someone we can always count on! I'm so grateful for all of your hard work. The award appropriately reflects the endless hours you have spent at our schools inside and outside the classrooms. I have seen you interacting with the students and connecting with them in a way only a teacher at heart does. Welldeserved."

"On behalf of the Board of Trustees, we congratulate and thank Mr. Mark Baum for his dedication to the Rosemead School District students as a long-time substitute teacher and coach to the Muscatel Running Team. The District is pleased to have Mr. Baum, a high-caliber teacher who goes above and beyond and is dedicated to our students," expressed Board President Mr. John Quintanilla.

Mark's passion for volunteerism and commitment to creating a better world exemplify the values that the Golden Apple Award seeks to honor. We congratulate Mark on this well-deserved recognition and thank him for his unwavering dedication to serving others and making a difference in the lives of our students.

## **About the Rosemead School District**

The Rosemead School District (RSD) was established in 1859 and is a Local Education Agency (LEA) led by Superintendent Dr. Alejandro Ruvalcaba. The District's education program includes students in preschool, transitional kindergarten, kindergarten, and grades 1<sup>st</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup>. The Rosemead School District offers programs as follows and are not limited to: Full Day Kindergarten, English Language Development (ELD); Instrumental Music program (4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> 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.E.S. (After School Education and Safety) program; Gifted and Talented Program (GATE); Science Olympiad; Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID); Franklin Covey's Leader in Me<sup>®</sup> Program and 7-Habits<sup>©</sup>; Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports (PBIS); Migrant Education program; and Special Education programs. For more information about the Rosemead School District, please visit <a href="www.rosemead.k12.ca.us">www.rosemead.k12.ca.us</a>. For more information about school educational programs, please contact the Educational Services Department at (626) 312-2900 x213.

To learn more about the Mandarin Dual Language Immersion (DLI) program at Encinita Elementary School visit <a href="https://www.rosemead.k12.ca.us/domain/321">https://www.rosemead.k12.ca.us/domain/321</a>.

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