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December 17, 2021

Greetings Rosemead Parents,

To say that this has been a challenging last couple of years would be an understatement. Who would have imagined living through a pandemic that included school closures, distance learning, daily mask-wearing, COVID testing, and many other safety measures. Despite all the obstacles we have faced, our commitment to providing the best possible educational experience to our students has not wavered. Regardless of the challenges, our students, staff, and schools excelled. Over the last two years:

- Mildred B. Janson Elementary School and Emma W. Shuey Elementary School were recognized as 2020 California Distinguished Schools.
- All five of our district schools were named 2019-2020 Educational Results Partnership Honor Roll schools for high achievement in student success rated at "star" category - the highest rating.
- In 2020-2021, Mildred B. Janson Elementary School was named a Leader In Me Legacy Lighthouse School.
- Recently, in 2021-2022, Mildred B. Janson Elementary School, Savannah Elementary School, Emma W. Shuey Elementary School, and Muscatel Middle School were named Best Schools by U.S. News and World Reports.
- And most importantly, with your support and the hard work of our talented staff, we were able to welcome back students for in-person instruction this year.

These last two years have taught us to count our blessings, be humble, be kind, be understanding, and be a support for one another. I am honored to serve the Rosemead community, humbled to be a part of our amazing school district, and proud to work alongside our dedicated and talented staff. I hope you will take the time during our winter break to be with family and friends. We will see you in 2022.

As always, thank you for your support of our schools and school district.

Respectfully,

  
Alejandro Ruvalcaba  
Superintendent

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