



**Rosemead  
School District**  
Established in 1859

# Press Release

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## Rosemead School District Welcomes Back Students for the 2023-2024 School Year with New Playgrounds at Encinita Elementary School and Mildred B. Janson Elementary School

**Rosemead, California:** The Rosemead School District welcomed back students for the 2023-2024 school year with new playgrounds at Encinita Elementary School and Mildred B. Janson Elementary School campuses.

The projects, which featured the installation of two new playgrounds at each school site, were started right after school ended for the 2022-2023 school year and completed just in time for the new school year to start. The overall project will include the installation of new playgrounds at all four elementary schools, with two school sites completed this summer. The playgrounds include new slides, swings, rubber flooring, and mascots, which students enjoy at the Encinita and Janson.

At Encinita, the new kindergarten playground received excellent reviews from the students. The Early Childhood Education students have a separate section with equipment specifically geared for our preschool students.



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At Janson, the new large playground installed is being enjoyed by both primary and upper-grade students. In addition, kindergarteners were also excited to get their own new playground.



During the summer of 2024, Emma W. Shuey Elementary School and Savannah Elementary School will also have their playgrounds replaced with beautiful and fun equipment.

“The playgrounds at each of the elementary schools are being funded by Measure RS and Measure O funds, bonds approved by our community voters that have been earmarked for modernizing all Rosemead School District campuses and classrooms for our students to enjoy. We thank the Rosemead community for their continued support and investment in our schools,” shared Dr. Maria C. Rios, Assistant Superintendent of Administrative Services.

“We are so appreciative of the Board of Trustees to make the decision to bring in these amazing new playgrounds! The students are loving their time and enjoying the many different ways to play. One of the important traits we teach at Janson is teamwork and communication. The new play structures allow all of our Jaguars the opportunity to play and work together! We are having a BLAST,” expressed Mr. Courtney Glass, Principal of Mildred B. Janson Elementary School.

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Mr. Samuel Joo shared, “Our Encinita scholars absolutely love the brand new playground structures. One sweet 1<sup>st</sup>-grade student excitedly asked, ‘Mr. Joo, did you get this for us because we’re good?’ To which I replied, ‘Absolutely! You’re the BEST! Enjoy!’ On behalf of our students, thank you! Thank you! Thank you! What an AMAZING gift for our AWESOME students!”

Board President Mr. Ronald Esquivel shared, “On behalf of the Board of Trustees, we are pleased to be able to provide new and safe play equipment for the children of the district.”

“We are grateful to our generous community for investing in our schools through measures RS and O. Along with our rigorous academic programs, it is important that our schools are fun and offer students opportunities for physical activity and play. We are happy to see our Encinita and Janson students enjoying their new playgrounds, and we look forward to replacing Savannah and Shuey playgrounds next summer,” expressed Superintendent Dr. Alejandro Ruvalcaba, Ph.D.

On behalf of the Rosemead School District, we humbly thank the Rosemead community for their gracious contributions and support to modernize the Rosemead schools for 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, Ph.D. 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 [www.rosemead.k12.ca.us](http://www.rosemead.k12.ca.us). 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 <https://www.rosemead.k12.ca.us/domain/321>.

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