



**Rosemead
School District**
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Press Release

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Rosemead School District Announces the Administration of the Oath of Office to Re-elected Trustees Mrs. Veronica Peña and Mr. Ronald Esquivel, Introduces its 2025 Board of Trustees, and Adopts its 2025 Meeting Schedule

Rosemead, California – The Rosemead School District is pleased to announce the re-election of Trustees Mrs. Veronica Peña and Mr. Ronald Esquivel, who will continue to serve as dedicated leaders on the Board of Trustees. Their re-election reflects the trust and confidence of the community in their ability to guide the Rosemead School District toward continued success.



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Special guests who attended and presented certificates of recognition included El Monte Union High School District President Mr. Ricardo Padilla, Vice President Mr. Qui Nguyen, and Clerk Professor Esthela Torres de Siegrist; Senator Sasha Renée Pérez representative Talin Mangioglu; Assembly Member Mike Fong representative Mauricio Lopez; Los Angeles County Assessor Jeff Prang representative Candy Ng, and City of Rosemead City Council.

Mrs. Peña and Mr. Esquivel have been integral members of the Board, each bringing valuable experience, insight, and a commitment to advancing education, fiscal responsibility, and focusing on the whole child. Their leadership has been instrumental in implementing innovative programs, fostering parent and community engagement.

2025 BOARD OF TRUSTEES LEADERSHIP

As part of its organizational meeting on December 13, 2024, the Board of Trustees elected **Mrs. Diane Benitez** to assume the office of Board President and **Ms. Nancy Armenta** to assume the office of Board Clerk, with Mr. Ronald Esquivel, Mrs. Veronica Peña, and Mr. John Quintanilla, as Trustees.

President Mrs. Diane Benitez, a longtime resident of Rosemead, has served on the Rosemead School District Board of Trustees since 2018 and has served in the roles of President, Clerk, and Trustee.

Clerk Ms. Nancy Armenta, a longtime resident of Rosemead and alumni of the Rosemead School District, has served on the Rosemead School District Board of Trustees since 2015 and has served in the roles of President, Clerk, and Trustee.

“We are excited to continue working together as a cohesive team dedicated to serving our community,” said Board President Mrs. Diane Benitez. “Our 2025 Board of Trustees is committed to upholding the mission and values of the Rosemead School District and ensuring a bright future for all our primary stakeholders, each of our students.”

Incoming Superintendent Dr. Philip D’Agostino shared, “I am honored to celebrate the reorganization of our Board of Trustees and the re-election of Mrs. Veronica Peña and Mr. Ronald Esquivel. Their unwavering commitment and visionary leadership have been integral to advancing educational excellence and fostering a vibrant district community. I also warmly congratulate Mrs. Diane Benitez on her election as Board President and Ms. Nancy Armenta as Board Clerk. This dedicated team of leaders, which also includes Board Member and former Board President John Quintanilla, will continue to shape the future of our district with innovative programs, strong fiscal stewardship, and a steadfast focus on student success. I look forward to our collective work in serving the children and families of Rosemead!”

The Superintendent, administration, and staff look forward to working with the entire Board of Trustees to continue the great work of educating and supporting the students and staff of the Rosemead School District.

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2025 BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING SCHEDULE

During its December 13, 2024 meeting, the Board of Trustees also adopted its meeting schedule for the 2025 calendar year. The Board continues to invite all to attend the meetings that are open to the public, emphasizing the Board’s commitment to transparency and community involvement.

Rosemead School District 2025 Board of Trustees Meeting Schedule	
1 st Thursday – Regular (Closed Session: 6:30 p.m. / Public/Open Session: 7:30 p.m.) 3 rd Thursday – Regular Study Session (Public/Open Session: 6:30 p.m.) <i>The Board will reconvene Closed Session after the completion of Open Session agenda items if it is necessary to complete the closed session agenda.</i>	
Thursday, January 16, 2025* Regular	Thursday, August 7, 2025 Regular Thursday, August 14, 2025* Regular
Thursday, February 6, 2025 Regular Thursday, February 20, 2025 Study Session	Thursday, September 4, 2025 Regular Thursday, September 18, 2025 Study Session
Thursday, March 6, 2025 Regular Thursday, March 20, 2025 Study Session	Thursday, October 2, 2025 Regular Thursday, October 16, 2025 Study Session
Thursday, April 10, 2025* Regular Thursday, April 17, 2025 Study Session	Thursday, November 6, 2025 Regular Thursday, November 20, 2025 Study Session
Thursday, May 1, 2025 Regular Thursday, May 15, 2025 Study Session	Thursday, December 11, 2025* Regular
Thursday, June 19, 2025* Study Session Thursday, June 26, 2025 Regular	
<p>2025 Board of Trustees meeting calendar is subject to change. Special Meetings may be scheduled at any time following The Brown Act posting requirements. Visit www.rosemead.k12.ca.us to view the agenda, for date and location updates, or contact the Superintendent’s Office at 626-312-2900 x212 or email cbracamonte@rosemead.k12.ca.us.</p> <p>*Exceptions include, not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • January 2025 – scheduled the 3rd Thursday only, to avoid Winter Break. • April 2025 – scheduled the 2nd Thursday due to Spring Break. • June 2025 – scheduled the 3rd & 4th Thursdays due to Public Hearing and Budget Adoption. • July 2025 – no meetings scheduled; special meetings will be scheduled as needed. • August 2025 – 2nd Thursday, to capture hiring prior to the start of the school year. • December 2025 – 2nd Thursday, Annual Organizational meeting with the Interim Report due to the County by December 15th. Board of Trustees election years: Administration of the Oath of Office after the 2nd Friday, as per Education Code 35143. 	

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ABOUT THE ROSEMEAD SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Rosemead School District (RSD) serves students who reside in Rosemead, as well as portions of El Monte, San Gabriel, and Temple City. RSD serves 2,431 students in four PK-6 elementary schools (Encinita, Mildred B. Janson, Savannah, and Emma W. Shuey Elementary Schools) and one 7-8 middle school (Muscatel Middle School). We are proud partners with the City of Rosemead and deeply value our responsibility to serve our community and its children.

For more information about the Rosemead School District, please visit 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>. We encourage everyone to follow the Rosemead School District via the *free* Rosemead Mobile App, download the app today (for instructions visit <https://www.rosemead.k12.ca.us>). Stay informed about the great things happening at the Rosemead School District via Twitter [@CommunicateRSD](https://twitter.com/CommunicateRSD).

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