PAUSD Leadership Transitions for 2021-22

PAUSD is pleased to announce leadership transitions for 2021-22 pending Board approval. The following individuals will be introduced at the May 11, 2021 Board Meeting.

**Judy Jaramillo Argumedo**
Principal  |  Barron Park Elementary School

Dr. Argumedo is currently the Director of Academic Supports for PAUSD. She was a teacher for 18 years – 14 years as an elementary teacher and four years as a middle school teacher – before joining the PAUSD District Office, where she has worked for 10 years in a variety of roles. She holds a Bachelor’s Degree in Native American Studies from the University of California, Berkeley; a Master’s Degree in Education Administration from Santa Clara University; and a Doctorate in Education Equity from the University California, Berkeley.

**Aleyda Barrera-Cruz**
Principal  |  El Carmelo Elementary School

Ms. Barrera-Cruz is currently an elementary principal in the San Mateo-Foster City School District. She was also an elementary principal in the Hillsborough City School District. Ms. Barrera-Cruz is excited to return to PAUSD as she served as an elementary Assistant Principal and Teacher on Special Assignment from 2013-2016. She holds two Master’s Degrees in Education from the University of California, Berkeley and Stanford University, and a Bachelor’s Degree in Liberal Studies/Spanish from Chapman University.
LaDonna Butler  
Assistant Principal  |  Palo Alto High School

Ms. Butler is currently a high school Assistant Principal in the San Jose Unified School District and has served in an administrative role since 2015. Prior to that, she was a high school teacher for 13 years. She holds a Master’s Degree in Education Administration from National University and a Bachelor’s Degree in Kinesiology from San Jose State University.

Courtney Carломagno  
Assistant Principal  |  Gunn High School

Ms. Carломagno is currently an Education Specialist and Teacher on Special Assignment at Gunn High School and has been at the school since 2013. She developed and launched the SELF program at Gunn High School and is a member of the District Equity Team. She holds a Master’s Degree in Special Education from Notre Dame de Namur University and a Bachelor’s Degree in Child and Adolescent Development from San Francisco State University.

Tom Keating  
Principal  |  Palo Alto Adult School

Dr. Keating is currently the Assistant Principal at Palo Alto High School and has been in this position for the past three years. Prior to being in PAUSD, Dr. Keating served as a Director of 21st Century Learning and Technology in the San Carlos School District. He holds a Doctorate Degree in Education from Stanford University, a Master’s Degree in Marine Science, and a Bachelor’s Degree in Biology from the University of San Francisco.

Guillermo Lopez  
Director of Student Success & Supports  |  District Office

Mr. Lopez is currently a high school principal in Selma, CA and has been in that position since 2019. Prior to that, he was an Associate Principal for eight years in Oxnard, CA. He holds a Master’s Degree in School Counseling from the University of La Verne and a Bachelor’s Degree in Sociology from Sacramento State University. He is currently working towards his Doctorate Degree in Educational Leadership.
Kelly Martin
Visual and Performing Arts Coordinator  |  District Office

Ms. Martin is currently a Visual Arts Curriculum Specialist and art teacher for the Los Gatos Union School District and has been in that position for the past nine years. Prior to that, she was a high school art teacher for seven years. She holds a Master’s Degree in Education and a Bachelor’s Degree in Fine Arts from the University of California, Santa Barbara.

Erik Olah
Assistant Principal  |  Palo Alto High School

Mr. Olah is currently a teacher at Palo Alto High School, Science Instructional Lead, and WASC Teacher on Special Assignment. He has worked for PAUSD since 2008. He holds a Master’s Degree in Education and Bachelor’s Degree in Marine Biology from the University of California, Santa Cruz.

Danaé Reynolds
Lead Principal of Literacy Instruction  |  District Office

Ms. Reynolds is currently the Principal of El Carmelo Elementary. Prior to joining PAUSD in 2000, Ms. Reynolds spent four years as an elementary school teacher. Her career in the District includes seven years as a Reading Specialist and four years as a Teacher on Special Assignment and Coordinator at the District Office. Ms. Reynolds holds a Bachelor’s Degree in Sociology from the University of California, Santa Barbara; a Master’s Degree in Education Administration from Santa Clara University; and a Master’s Degree in Education from Fresno Pacific University.

Jacqueline Selfridge
Coordinator of Special Education  |  District Office

Ms. Selfridge is currently a Program Specialist of Special Education and was previously an Education Specialist at Gunn High School. She has been a teacher for PAUSD since 2015. She holds a Master’s Degree in Educational Leadership from Santa Clara University and a Bachelor’s Degree in Special Education/Elementary Education from Lewis University in Illinois.
Amy Sheward
Principal | Lucille Nixon Elementary School

Ms. Sheward has been in PAUSD for 12 years. She is currently the Assistant Principal at JLS Middle School. Prior to that position, she was a Coordinator of Special Education and Education Specialist at Palo Verde Elementary School. She holds two Master’s Degrees in Education from Harvard Graduate School of Education and Salem State College, and a Bachelor’s Degree in Early Childhood Education from Lesley University.

Charen Yu
Director of Fiscal Services | District Office

Ms. Yu joins PAUSD as the Director of Fiscal Services. She has served as the Director of Fiscal Services in the San Mateo-Foster City School District and the Campbell Union High School District. She has been recognized as the 2021 Business Administrator of the Year by the Association of California School Administrators – Region 8. Her education includes a Bachelor’s Degree in Commerce, Banking, and Finance, as well as multiple school business and finance certifications.