

EL DIAMANTE HIGH SCHOOL



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Miners show **P**erseverance, **I**ntegrity, **C**ourage, and **K**indness

Dear El Diamante High School Families,

As we gear up for the 2024-2025 school year, I extend a warm welcome to both new and returning families. I am thrilled to embark on another year filled with opportunities for growth and achievement at El Diamante.

Our primary objective this year is to enhance the number of college-ready students eligible for enrollment in four-year universities, as well as to equip our students with the essential skills needed for college and their future careers. The entire El Diamante staff is committed to providing targeted academic, social, and emotional support to ensure the success of our students. Our school-wide expectations of Perseverance, Integrity, Courage, and Kindness (P.I.C.K.) serve as guiding principles, fostering a positive and safe school culture.

We deeply value each student's individuality and recognize the significance of personal and cultural identities within our school community. Your support is invaluable in realizing our school's goals and commitments. We kindly request that you ensure your child arrives at school on time, emphasize the importance of punctuality, monitor their academic progress, encourage participation in extracurricular activities, and reinforce our P.I.C.K. expectations at home.

At El Diamante, we offer a wide array of student-focused programs and activities. With two linked learning academies, five career technical education pathways, a successful AVID program, rigorous Advanced Placement courses, dual enrollment opportunities, and an award-winning Visual and Performing Arts program, we strive to cater to diverse interests and aspirations. Our athletic program, rooted in ethics, integrity, and teamwork, has produced multiple section championship teams as well as individual champions. Additionally, our Associated Student Body (ASB) advisor ensures ample opportunities for involvement in clubs, activities, and community service.

We encourage parents to actively engage in their children's education by joining PTSA, School Site Council, ELAC, or Miner Foundation. Attending your children's productions, events, and athletic games is another meaningful way to connect with our vibrant school community. Please remain diligent in monitoring your child's academic progress and maintaining open communication with teachers to support their success. Your involvement and support are indispensable to our school's mission.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact my office at 735-3501 or via email at knelson@vusd.org.

Thank you for your unwavering support.

Kim Nelson, Principal