

## A MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

## STANDING IN SOLIDARITY: EMPOWERING OUR IMMIGRANT STUDENTS AND FAMILIES



Dear Long Beach Unified Family,

At Long Beach Unified, we are guided by <u>Vision 2035</u>, which shapes our efforts to create thriving futures for all students. Our strategic plan, <u>Creating A Better Future Together</u>, stems from this vision and reflects our unwavering commitment to Excellence and Equity—ensuring that every student, family and staff member enriches our community, making it stronger, more inclusive and more resilient. Our collective strength lies in our diversity, and we remain devoted to ensuring that every member of our community feels valued, welcomed, and supported.

Immigrants play a vital role in the story of our district and the state of California. Many of our students and families bring languages, traditions and experiences that add to the rich fabric of our schools. Their perspectives inspire us, their aspirations remind us of our purpose, and their contributions elevate us all. At Long Beach Unified, we understand that when we honor and invest in our immigrant students, we invest in a brighter future for everyone.

<u>Our Standing in Solidarity: Empowering Our Immigrant Students and Families</u> effort underscores this commitment by amplifying our ongoing work to foster inclusive, equitable and welcoming environments. This approach allows immigrant students and families to access the resources, opportunities and support they need to thrive. We provide academic guidance, mental health services and family outreach to ensure every student has the tools to succeed.

Together, as one community, we can break down barriers and build bridges that connect cultures, elevate learning and unlock limitless possibilities. This work lies at the heart of our mission and is essential to fulfilling the promise of education for every Long Beach Unified student.

Thank you for joining us on this shared journey to create a future where every student has the opportunity to belong and excel.

In Partnership,

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