

# Superintendent's Newsletter



## Dear AESD Community,

As we close out an inspiring school year, I want to take a moment to reflect on what we've accomplished together. Guided by our **Thrive2030** vision, we've seen students grow, staff lead with heart, and our community come together in powerful ways. Thank you for your continued support and belief in our mission. The future is bright, and it starts with all of us believing that **every student is capable and every future is possible**.

*Terry Walker*

**Terry Walker, Ed.D.**

Superintendent of Schools



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## Mark Your Calendar: Important Dates to Remember

1. Promotions Schedule (check website): **29 May – 3 June**
2. Summer Enrichment Camp Schedule: **9 June – 3 July**
3. Regular Board Meeting (with mini reception): **10 June**
4. School Starts: **7 August**

## DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS



Members of the Guiding Coalition  
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## Guiding Coalition Process Completed

We have completed the Guiding Coalition process for 2024-2025, and the outcomes are now under review as we move toward final approval. This work is a key part of our commitment to student-centered growth and meaningful instructional change. To learn more and hear directly from students, staff, and families, please visit [aesd.net/Thrive2030](https://aesd.net/Thrive2030).



## Superintendent's Student Advisory Council

The Guiding Coalition process helped reveal something powerful, that many of our students already possess strong leadership qualities. With the launch of the Superintendent's Student Advisory Council, we're creating space for these students to grow, lead, and influence. Our goal is to support their passions and sharpen their skills as they help shape the future of our district.

## The Draft Learner Profile

Here's an exciting sneak peek of the Learner Profile—showcasing exactly who we want our students to become: empowered learners, critical thinkers, communicators and collaborators, changemakers, and future-ready leaders.



## DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS



### *Colloquium 2025: A Tribute to New Educators*

The spring Colloquium was a meaningful gathering honoring and celebrating our new teachers. It provided a special space to recognize their dedication and celebrate the fresh ideas and diverse approaches they bring. By embracing these educators, we strengthen our collective expertise and enrich learning for all students.



### *District Office Employees: Updates and Vision*

Dr. Walker wanted to engage and provide updates to district employees. From the draft Framework for the Future to other key initiatives, the message was clear: meaningful progress takes all of us. Every department, every role, every person plays a part in helping our students thrive.

## EXPANDED LEARNING

### *Millionaire Mind Kids and Other Programs Beyond the Bell*

Our Expanded Learning programs offer valuable after-school enrichment, academic support, and hands-on activities that help students explore new interests and develop important skills.

Aside from Millionaire Mind Kids, this year Mesa Linda students participated in the SBCSS eSports tournament, while students across the district took part in UCR's Bourns Engineering STEM workshops. Students also engaged in programs like the Anne Frank Club and other enriching activities, all designed to extend learning beyond the classroom and support student growth.



## SCHOOL SPOTLIGHT

### *Westside Park Leads with Creativity and Connection*

Westside Park Elementary has been a hub of creativity and innovation. They've been showcasing inventive spirit through unique events and projects celebrating reading, culture, and school pride.

Staff and school leaders regularly share updates to keep families connected and highlight how creativity drives student success. Together, the school community thrives through bold ideas and collaborative energy.



**Westside Park Elementary School**



## STAFF SPOTLIGHT

### **Multilingual Advocate**

Susan Ortiz was recently honored at the Multilingual Recognition Dinner for her outstanding dedication to supporting our multilingual students.

Her passion for fostering language development and cultural inclusivity has made a meaningful difference in our district. We thank Susan for her commitment to empowering all learners and celebrating the richness of our diverse community.



**Susan Ortiz - Mesa Linda Teacher**

## STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS & EVENTS



### **Kennath Broussard Recognized for Excellence**

Kennath Broussard from Columbia Middle School earned recognition for his strong showing at the County Spelling Bee and his impressive science fair project featured in the San Bernardino Sun.

His curiosity and determination truly shine as he continues to grow and excel academically.

We look forward to seeing all the great things Kennath will accomplish next.

Congratulations, Kennath—we're proud of your achievements!

Read more at <https://rb.gy/uda9p2>

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### **Marty Amesquita Honored in Esports**

Marty Amesquita of Morgan Kincaid received the SBCSS Excellence in Esports Award for leadership, teamwork, and a positive presence in the school community. Well done, Marty, and thank you for leading by example.



### **Melva Davis MESA Team Triumphs in Robotics and More**

The MDAE MESA team absolutely dominated at their final competition on May 17—taking home 1st place in Robotics, 1st and 3rd in Rockets, and 2nd in Boats! Huge kudos to Mrs. Beiter and Mr. Harden for leading the team to victory in Perris, CA!

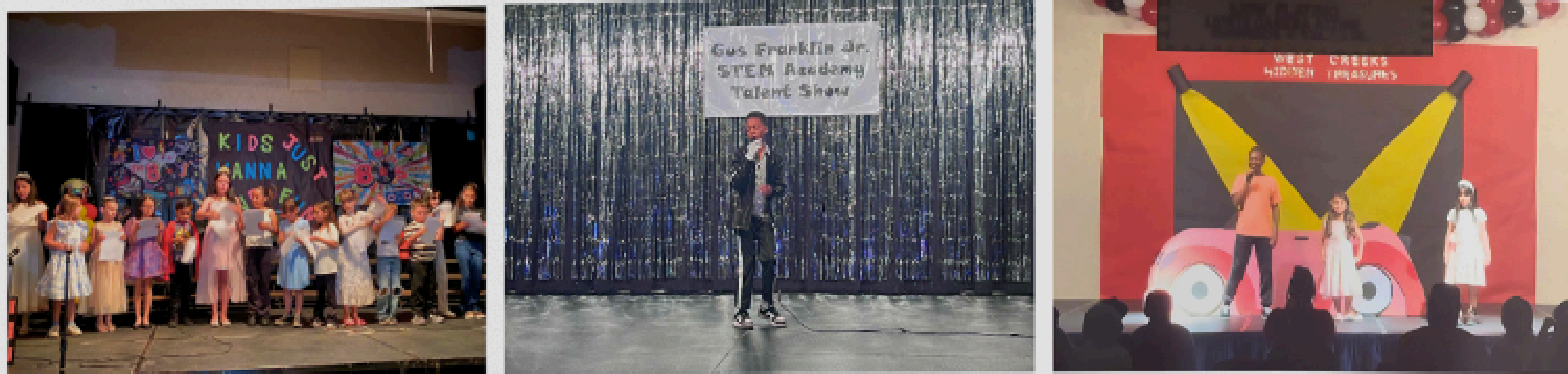


### **English Learners Reclassification Celebration**

We celebrated the success of 63 students who reclassified as English proficient this year. These students have demonstrated strong academic growth, and we commend their efforts and persistence. Knowing more than one language is so much more than words—it's about embracing new cultures, perspectives, and opportunities for the future.



## COMMUNITY INITIATIVES & SUPPORT



### Talent Shows at Eagle Ranch, Gus Franklin, and West Creek

Students at these schools showcased their creativity and confidence in front of enthusiastic audiences. From music to dance, their talent and courage on stage truly embody the spirit of our Thrive2030 goals.

### Bubble Fun at Theodore Vick

Thanks to the PTA and Kindness Club, students at Theodore Vick enjoyed a special Bubble Fun day filled with smiles and laughter. These positive moments remind us how important joy and togetherness are in a child's school experience.



### El Mirage Family Fun Night

El Mirage continues to bring families together through learning and celebration. From the PIQE STEM program to Family Fun Night, these events build strong connections. One lucky student even took home the grand prize, a brand new bike!



### Adelanto Girl Scouts in Action

Adelanto Elementary Girl Scouts showed teamwork and leadership during their cookie sales this season. Through this experience, they learned important skills like goal setting, communication, and community engagement.

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### George Magnet Art Exhibit

George Magnet School showcased a vibrant collection of student drawings and paintings. The exhibit highlighted creativity, expression, and artistic growth, reflecting the dedication of students and staff to nurturing young artists.



### Victoria Magathan's International Family Night Celebration

Victoria Magathan Elementary School celebrated International Family Night with colorful performances, traditional attire from around the world, and delicious food. As a school with a strong dual immersion program in English and Spanish, the event reflected a broader commitment to multicultural understanding. Families ended the night dancing together in a joyful celebration of global cultures and community spirit.

### Upcoming Events & Celebrations

Stay tuned for exciting district events and activities. We encourage families and community members to stay engaged and continue supporting our students in their journey toward success.

### Closing Message

As the school year comes to an end, thank you for everything you've done to support our schools, students, and staff. Together, we've shown what it means to be big, bold, and brave. Let's carry this spirit into the future, always remembering that every student is capable and every future is possible. Have a restful and safe summer. We look forward to welcoming everyone back on August 7 for another great year!