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SUMMER 2025

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Dear Tolleson ESD families,

As we begin the 2025–2026 school year, I want to extend a heartfelt thank you to our incredible community for your continued support. Because of you, Tolleson Elementary School District was proudly voted the **Best Elementary Schools** and **Best Place to Work** in the west valley—a reflection of the hard work, heart, and commitment from our staff, families, and students.

We are especially grateful to our dedicated team of Treasure Hunters—our teachers, support staff, and leaders—who show up every day with passion and purpose to help every child shine.

To our families, thank you for trusting us with your most treasured gifts and for standing with us in creating a district rooted in excellence, innovation and greatness.

We look forward to welcoming you back to the new school year. Together, we will continue to build on our success and provide the best for every child, every day—no exceptions.

With gratitude,
Gisselle Herrera
Superintendent, Tolleson ESD



Upcoming Events

- ➔ **Monday, July 28th: Meet the Teacher Night**
- ➔ **Wednesday, July 30th: First Day of School**
- ➔ **Wednesday, August 13th: No School In-Service Day**



WELCOME NEW ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS

We are excited to welcome two new assistant principals to our Tolleson ESD leadership team.

Mr. Jose Garcia brings 11 years of dedicated experience in education to his new role as Assistant Principal at Porfirio H. Gonzales Elementary. Throughout his career, Mr. Garcia has been committed to creating inclusive, student-centered environments that foster both academic excellence and the well-being of the whole child.

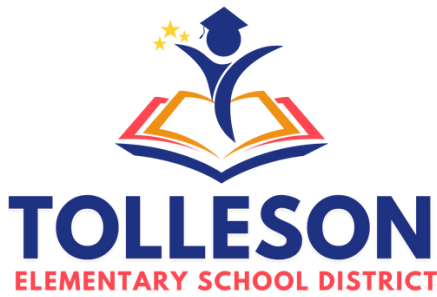
Ms. Marieka Michaud will be supporting Arizona Desert Elementary, continuing to bring her strong instructional leadership and student-first mindset. Previously, the English Language Immersion Teacher, she was a crucial part of Arizona Desert's rise to becoming an A Rated campus. Tolleson ESD looks forward to the 2025-2026 school year under their leadership!

School Calendar Update Reminder



As a friendly reminder, we have made a few slight updates to our 2025–2026 academic calendar, including limited early release Wednesdays throughout the year to support staff development. Scan the QR code to view the updated calendar and make note of important dates. Staying informed is key to a smooth and successful year!





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