Dear Mirada Leadership Academy Community,

As Superintendent Toenjes shared with our community earlier today, the Kyrene Governing Board has made the difficult decision to close 6 Kyrene schools. While Kyrene de la Mirada Leadership Academy is not on the list, our school will experience changes as part of the long-range plan.

Beginning in the 2026-27 school year, our school will welcome K-5 students who currently attend Kyrene de las Manitas Innovation Academy. Our elementary-middle school feeder pattern will change. Students from Kyrene de la Mirada Leadership Academy will attend Kyrene Middle School beginning in the 2027-28 school year.

We know our community will have many questions. As shared by Superintendent Toenjes, district teams are working to address the impact to enrollment, transportation and bell schedules. This information will be available in January.

With great change comes great uncertainty. I want to assure you that this change aims to make every school in our district stronger, as we consolidate our resources to better serve our students and to realize the Kyrene Promise. I will be working closely with both our district teams as well as Kyrene de las Manitas Innovation Academy to ensure our students, staff and families feel supported at every step of this transition.

I will do my best to address any questions or concerns, and together we will continue moving forward as one team-Kyrene Strong.

As our Mirada family continues to grow and we welcome new students into our community, we remain deeply committed to inspiring academic excellence, celebrating each student's unique strengths, developing future leaders, and honoring the diversity that makes us who we are. I wish you and your loved ones a restful, joyful, and meaningful holiday season.

Sincerely,

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