

# MILLARD MUSTANG EXPRESS



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## A Word from our Principal

Dear Millard Families,

Welcome to the 2022-2023 school year! My name is Jorge Gonzalez, and I am the new Interim Principal at Millard. I am thrilled to be joining the Millard team and I look forward to meeting you all soon. A little bit about me, I have served as a high school, middle school, and elementary school administrator with over 10 years of experience. Prior to becoming an administrator, I taught high school Spanish. Most recently I was the principal at Patterson Elementary for five years. I bring experience, passion for education, and a collaborative approach to Millard. I look forward to meeting and working with you to ensure the academic success and social emotional well-being of your child.

This year will bring new and exciting opportunities for our school community. We will begin utilizing our new *Second Step* curriculum for social emotional learning. This curriculum will allow teachers and students to build positive relationships and classroom culture. *Amplify Science* is here! We will begin the implementation of the *Amplify Science* curriculum this year. This new curriculum will provide students with the opportunities to explore diverse topics and to further develop their passion for science. Lastly, we will begin the PBIS (Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports) journey this year along with other elementaries in our district. We will learn about PBIS and begin to take a deeper look at our current practices at Millard regarding behavior and interventions. We will continue to update you on our progress throughout the year.

As we begin the second year of on-campus instruction after COVID-19, we will be focusing on what makes Millard Elementary such an amazing place. "We Are Millard", will be the theme for this year. All of us will dig deeper during the year to get to the core values, traditions, stories, and relationships that make our school great. In the process we will also look at the things that need to be aligned with our positive school culture and values. All this information will guide our PBIS work as well as provide us with the data to guide the work that we do to educate our students. I look forward to learning more about Millard from you and your child.

A few reminders, students must attend the first day of school. Students who do not attend on the first day will be dis-enrolled. Parents may walk their child to the classroom the first three days of school (8/17, 8/18, 8/19) only. **Parents must walk their child to the classroom and then leave immediately.** Beginning on August 22<sup>nd</sup>, parents will no longer be able to enter campus to drop off or pick up their child. Please take some time before the first day of school to plan with your child where you will be waiting for them.

Lastly, if your child tests positive for COVID or has COVID symptoms, please have them stay home and notify the school. Attached you will find the latest COVID flowchart for your reference. Masks are optional but strongly recommended. We will provide additional information as it becomes available.

On behalf of the Millard Elementary staff, I wish you an amazing first day of school.

In Partnership,  
Dr. Jorge D. Gonzalez



## Child Nutrition Services

welcomes you all to a new school year!

All FUSD student meals will be FREE for the school year 2022-2023.

### Breakfast for students

CNS will now be providing breakfast BEFORE school starts. CNS staff will be on site from 7:30-8:30am.

Thank you for your feedback to make this change happen ☺

CNS is looking to recruit CNS Assistants. If you know anyone that is interested, please refer them to these links:

**Child Nutrition Assistant 1 (2022/2023 School Year)**  
<https://www.edjoin.org/Home/DistrictJobPosting/1631254>

**Child Nutrition Assistant 2 (2022/2023 School Year)**  
<https://www.edjoin.org/Home/DistrictJobPosting/1631255>

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact us. You can reach us a few ways:

- call **510-659-2587**
- visit our website at [www.fusdcafes.org](http://www.fusdcafes.org)
- come into our office at **4210 Technology Drive, Room 140; Fremont, CA 94538**



## Attendance Line

Daily school attendance is **extremely important** to assure your child's maximum progress in school. If your child is absent, please call the *school office* at 657-0344, then **press 7**. This will connect you to our Absence Reporter where you can leave a message. Be aware that only illness, doctor/dentist appointments and bereavement are considered as excused absences. As required by Board Policy 5113, all absences must be verified by the office staff by either a telephone call or letter/doctor excuse.

You may also leave a homework request **AFTER THE SECOND DAY OF ABSENCE**. This request **MUST BE** made by 10:00am in order to allow the teacher time to prepare the homework for pick up at the end of the day. Homework may be picked up in the office after 3:00pm.



## Every Wednesday is early dismissal

Grades 1-5 are dismissed at 1:10 **EVERY** Wednesday.

Open to elementary school students



Welcome Teacher Day  
Tuesday, August 16th  
10 am to 5 pm

FREE Rose Bud Vase-  
to bring to your teacher  
On the first day of school

**Brought to you by: Fremont Flowers**  
**Stop by 4050 Alder Ave**  
**For your free welcome teacher day gift**



## **Important Dates**

The first day of school is on Wednesday, August 17, 2022. Students may not arrive on campus earlier than 8am.

The first 3 days of school will be minimum days. School starts at 8:30am and will end at 1:10 pm.

Virtual back to school night will be on Tuesday, August 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Within the next two weeks, teachers will be sending out more information with zoom link and times.



## **Campus news**

- ❖ Millard needs you. We are currently looking for parent volunteers to help us with supervision.
- ❖ Noon duties are also needed. Please contact the office for more information.