



July 29, 2024

Dear Hermosa Drive Families,

Welcome to the 2024-2025 school year! I hope everyone had a restful summer and made lasting memories. I cannot wait to see our students and families again on our first day of school, August 12th, 2024.

I am excited that the 2024-2025 school year will be my fourth year as the proud principal of Hermosa Drive. My husband, Matthew, and I live in Fullerton with our two boys James (16) and Christopher (14). I cannot believe both of my boys will be in high school this year. I am thankful that my husband is also in education (he's a professor of kinesiology at California State University, Fullerton) so we all had the summer off together. We enjoyed spending time at the beach and watching lots of soccer. I am looking forward to another school year and getting to know our students and families even better this year!

Hermosa Drive is known for being the *most inclusive, family-friendly community school where high academic standards and kindness are at the core*. We boast a wonderful reputation for being a warm and nurturing community that helps create a culture of safety, belonging, love, and success. As the principal of Hermosa Drive one of my top priorities is to build relationships and create a nurturing school environment for our students to succeed. I firmly believe that ALL students learn and grow best when they know they have a community that believes in them and empowers them to follow their dreams. Thank you for being a part of our Hermosa Drive community and bringing your unique strengths and assets that enrich our learning community. We are truly better together!

I'm excited to announce that Hermosa Drive will participate in a post-fellowship year with Cotsen and partner with the UCLA math group. Our school's signature practice is Cognitive Guided Instruction (CGI) in Mathematics. We remain committed to prioritizing first-class instruction for all students. At Hermosa Drive, our students have daily opportunities to receive high-quality education while growing as kind, empathetic, and caring individuals.

This school year holds many exciting opportunities. I am filled with pride for our sweet school, Hermosa Drive. I can't wait to see what we achieve together this year. Welcome back!!

Here is some important information as you prepare for the new school year:

- **Our office is open starting, July 31st.** Summer hours are Monday - Friday 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM.
- **Class placements will be emailed to parents on Friday, August 9th by 4:00 PM with a completed/updated Annual Information Review (AIR) for each student.** An email from

registrar_hermosadrive@myfsd.org will be sent to you to complete this review (please check your junk mail). If you did not receive this email, please call our office at 714-447-7720. Class lists will NOT be posted on the office windows this year. Due to fluctuating enrollment, no class changes will take place during the first two weeks of school. Class changes will be considered on a case-by-case basis starting on Monday, August 26th.

- **TK / Kindergarten Preview on Friday, August 9th from 12:00 PM-1:00 PM.** All incoming Transitional Kindergarteners and Kindergartners (along with parents/ guardians) are encouraged to come and meet their teacher and explore their classroom!
- **School begins on Monday, August 12th at 8:00 AM for ALL GRADES:** 1st-6th grade students will be dismissed at the regular time of 2:20 PM and TK and Kindergarten will be dismissed at 11:30 AM. There will be lots of traffic, so please plan to leave early to give yourself plenty of time to get here safely.
- **TK/Kindergarten Early Dismissal August 12th and August 13th at 11:30 am:** We are easing our littles into the school year by having early dismissal for the first two days of school. All TK and Kindergarten will be dismissed at 11:30 am for the first two days of school.
- **Our regular school schedule for 2024-2025 will be as follows:**
M, Tu, Th, and F: 8:00 AM to 2:20 PM (1st-6th grades); 8:00 AM to 2:10 PM (TK and Kindergarten); Wednesday: 8:00 AM to 12:50 PM (TK-6th grades). Our campus opens at 7:30 AM for breakfast and 7:45 AM for drop-off. Please do NOT leave your child unattended before 7:30 AM. Breakfast is served beginning at 7:30 AM each morning in the multipurpose room, with eating outside when weather permits.
- **Our fantastic PTA is hosting our annual Ice Cream Social for all families on Friday, August 16th from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM.** Ice cream scooped by our very own Hermosa Drive Dads. All family members are welcome to participate.
- **Back to School Night will be held on Thursday, August 22nd.** We hope that you will join us from 5:30 to 7:30 PM. You will have a chance to visit your child's classroom and meet with our phenomenal teachers.

I look forward to welcoming you all back on **Monday, August 12th**. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me or the front office at 714-447-7720.

Respectfully,

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HERMOSA DRIVE'S DAILY BELL SCHEDULE 2024-25

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday

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| 7:30-7:55 AM | Breakfast collected in the MPR - Eating Outside |
| 7:45 AM | Call Bell/Supervision begins |
| 8:00 AM | Class Begins for TK-6 Grades |
| 10:05-10:27 AM | TK/ Kindergarten Recess |
| 10:05-10:20 AM | 1st- 3rd Grade Recess |
| 10:25-10:40 AM | 4th - 6th Grade Recess |
| 11:15-11:55 AM | TK/ Kindergarten Lunch |
| 11:21 AM-12:00 PM | 1st - 3rd Grade Lunch |
| 11:55 AM-12:30 PM | 4th - 6th Grade Lunch |
| 1:10-1:20 PM | TK/ Kindergarten - 3rd Grade Recess |
| 2:10 PM | TK/ Kindergarten Dismissal |
| 2:20 PM | 1st - 6th Grade Dismissal |

Wednesday Schedule- Early Release

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| 7:30-7:55 AM | Breakfast collected in the MPR - Eating Outside |
| 7:45 AM | Call Bell/Supervision begins |
| 8:00 AM | Class Begins for TK-6 Grades |
| 10:05-10:27 AM | TK/ Kindergarten Recess |
| 10:05-10:20 AM | 1st- 3rd Grade Recess |
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| 11:21 AM-12:00 PM | 1st - 3rd Grade Lunch |
| 11:55 AM-12:30 PM | 4th - 6th Grade Lunch |
| 12:50 PM | TK/ Kindergarten Dismissal |
| 12:50 PM | 1st - 6th Grade Dismissal |

