



TWO RIVERS
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
HOME OF THE RIVER OTTERS



August 2021

Dear Two Rivers Families,

I am excited to welcome you to the 2021-2022 school year at Two Rivers Elementary School! I have been so proud of the flexibility and resilience our community has shown over the last year, and how much we have all grown together. We have some new faces here at Two Rivers; please join me in welcoming our new staff!

The students, staff, and families of Two Rivers Elementary are members of a community in which all strive to support student growth in all domains: academic, social-emotional, and physical development. This community supports and cares for each other as we prepare all students for college and career and aspire to the highest levels of achievement. This year in particular, we are making sure we are taking care of ourselves and each other within our Otter community! We also have an intense focus on addressing the disruption of learning due to the pandemic. Our teachers have been planning several ways to support all of our students in their growth; one of these is our continued implementation of AVID schoolwide. AVID's mission is to close the opportunity gap by preparing *all* students for college readiness and success in a global society. Through AVID Elementary, students will develop the academic habits they will need to be successful in middle school, high school, and college, in an age-appropriate and challenging way. Our students will learn more about organization, study skills, communication, and self-advocacy. More information will be coming during the first days of school about the strategies and skills our students will be learning!

Two Rivers welcomes all of our families to participate in our students' education! There are several ways to become involved in the Two Rivers community. Throughout the year, we will be providing you with information on our school website, in teacher newsletters, calendars, email newsletters, and with Infinite Campus phone calls, texts, and emails. You may also access the Infinite Campus Parent Portal from our school website at natomasunified.org/tre. Currently, we must continue to limit non-essential visitors and volunteers to campus to ensure the health and safety of our community.

I am eagerly anticipating the upcoming year and welcoming our students back to campus. The first day of school for students is Thursday, August 12th. School begins each day at 7:45am for all students. **Transitional Kindergarten and Kindergarten dismissal time is 1:38pm, while 1st-5th grades will dismiss at 1:55pm.** In the absence of physical distancing, masks must be worn by all persons while indoors, but are not required outdoors. We also plan to have lunch outdoors as much as possible. Traffic is always more congested during the first weeks of school. We are striving to lessen the impact of traffic in and around our school during drop off and pick up. Thank you in advance for cooperating with our staff in keeping all of our students and parents safe during these high traffic periods.

Elementary class assignments and information will be finalized and available through Infinite Campus no later than August 10th. Class assignments will also be posted outside on our front gate on August 10th. (If you are viewing class assignments outside of school, please remember to not gather in a large group.) **Individual letters were emailed to families on August 3rd providing information on how to access class assignments in Infinite Campus.**

Please also remember that regular childhood immunizations are required by the State of California unless your child has a medical exemption. If your child does not have current immunizations NUSD offers free immunization clinics at 1931 Arena Blvd. Our free clinics will be held every Wednesday and Thursday for the month of August (August 4, 5, 11, 12) from 2-8 pm and August 18, 19, 25, and 26 from 2-6 pm. Although [appointments](#) are preferred, walk-ons will be accepted.

I am so proud to be your principal and look forward to a successful school year together. This year we also celebrate Two Rivers' 20th anniversary! If you have any questions about our school, programs, or expectations, please don't hesitate to contact us or check out our Digital Backpack on our school website at <https://natomasunified.org/tre/>.



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Sincerely,

Colleen Perry
Principal