SOUTHERN KERN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Message from the Superintendent

I welcome you to this new school year at SKUSD and encourage your input as we meet the challenge of teaching and developing the whole child.

Our Vision: We seek to teach and assist in the development of the WHOLE CHILD. We strive to create a Safe learning environment that combines Student Learning Objectives with Creativity, Critical Thinking, Communication, Collaboration, Character, and Citizenship so that students will flourish in and out of school.

All of our classrooms are equipped with technology to support all aspects of learning, connectivity, and interactive devices. We pride ourselves on being able to offer every student 3rd grade through 12th grade with their own electronic device or laptop computer. Pre-K through 2nd grade students' also have access to computer technology in their classroom as well.

Computer software, applications and gadgets everyone talks about today may not be the ones they are talking about tomorrow, but technology is here to stay and will shape the future. In today's classroom, access to technology for teaching and student learning is no longer a "nice thing to have," it is a must have. Every educator is provided a district laptop and offered a variety of professional development workshops that will be used for creating lessons, integrating technology and software into the classroom, and reviewing student progress to better meet the needs of the students.

Technology is not about teachers being replaced by computers we know students need relationships with other students and with teachers to learn and grow. How well do you remember your favorite computer? How about your favorite teacher?

Technology is about learning from a skilled teacher, which make it possible for students to take charge of their education like never before. When used wisely, technology enables teachers to accommodate the learning needs of a broader range of students and students to be more self-directed than ever before.

Yours Truly,

Jeffrey Weinstein

Superintendent

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