



Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome to the 2025–2026 school year! It is with great pride and heartfelt appreciation that I return as the principal of Kings Ridge Preparatory Academy. Now entering my 18th year as a head principal, I remain deeply honored to lead this exceptional school community. I am sincerely grateful to the Riverside Elementary School District for allowing me to continue pursuing my passion, empowering students and cultivating a lifelong love of learning.

This year, we are excited to welcome a new addition to our leadership team: Mr. Caballero, our new Assistant Principal. Mr. Caballero brings a wealth of experience and positive energy to his role, and I am confident he will be an outstanding asset to our KRPA family. Alongside our dedicated secretarial staff and committed team of educators, paraprofessionals, and custodians, he has worked tirelessly throughout the summer to prepare our campus for a successful school year.

To our families, thank you for your continued support. We hope your children are enjoying a restful and joyful summer filled with lasting memories. As we prepare to begin a new school year, we recognize that each student, whether entering 5th, 6th, 7th, or 8th grade, is stepping into an important chapter of their academic and personal journey. At Kings Ridge, we remain committed to our mission: to foster a student-centered environment grounded in academic achievement, emotional well-being, and strong partnerships with families and our diverse community.

KRPA is more than just a school, it's a place where students thrive, grow, and prepare for the future. Each grade level is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity, and we encourage students to make the most of every moment. We are proud of the safe, welcoming, and technology-rich environment we've created in the West Valley. As we begin the year, we ask all students to take pride in their learning environment, treat others with kindness, and care for their school-issued laptops. As always, we expect every student to uphold the "4 B's": Be Safe, Be Respectful, Be Responsible, and Be Kind.

This 25-26 year, we are placing an even greater focus on building strong, meaningful relationships with our students. We understand that the transition into a new school year may bring excitement, nervousness, or both and that's why we prioritize connection before content. Students will see our teachers and staff greeting students at the classroom door each morning, because we believe every child deserves to feel welcomed, valued, and supported.

Our instructional approach will continue to follow the "I Do, We Do, You Do" model:

- I Do: The teacher models the lesson with clarity and intention, checking for understanding throughout.
- We Do: The teacher and students work together collaboratively, promoting shared learning.
- You Do: Students apply what they've learned independently or in groups to deepen mastery and ownership.



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We also understand that strong school home partnerships are essential to student success. We will continue using ClassDojo as our main platform for announcements, classroom updates, and school-wide communication. In addition, we encourage families to use ParentVUE to track academic progress and stay informed. Teachers will provide ClassDojo access codes during Meet the Teacher Night.

Important Logistics:

- Campus opens at 7:45 a.m. Please keep in mind there is no student supervision before this time.
- Breakfast is served in classrooms from 7:45 to 8:15 a.m.
- Instruction begins promptly at 8:15 a.m.

Dismissal Schedule by Grade:

- 5th Grade: 3:15 PM | 12:15 PM (early release)
- 6th Grade: 3:16 PM | 12:16 PM (early release)
- 7th Grade: 3:17 PM | 12:17 PM (early release)
- 8th Grade: 3:18 PM | 12:18 PM (early release)

Save the Date – Upcoming Events

- July 24: *Meet the Teacher Night* | 4:00–6:00 p.m.
Rapido Screen Printing will be onsite for uniform purchases (cash preferred).
- July 28: *First Day of School*
Reminder: Students should not arrive on campus before 7:45 a.m.
- July 28 & August 4: *Rapido Screen Printing* | 3:00–4:00 p.m. (cash preferred)
- August 5: *School Picture Day*

We are incredibly excited for the year ahead and deeply thankful for the opportunity to work with such a dedicated and caring school community. With your partnership, the commitment of our staff, and the energy and potential of our students, I am confident that the 2025–2026 school year will be one of growth, achievement, and lasting connection.

Warmest regards,

Mr. Jacobo

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