



DOLORES **HUERTA** ELEMENTARY

## WELCOME TO DOLORES HUERTA

We welcome your child and your family to Dolores Huerta Elementary! You have joined a wonderful community and your child's class will be the newest generation of families that will shape and form the future of our school, and the inaugural class of the newly named Dolores Huerta Elementary. We know that many of you with first time kindergarten students are apprehensive about your child's new school. We'd like to help by answering any questions you may have about Dolores Huerta. A few important things to know:

- **Important upcoming dates to meet other Dolores Huerta families and Kinder teachers:**

- Wednesday, May 22, 6:00-7:30 pm – **Dolores Huerta Orientation**, hosted by the Principal. We *strongly* encourage you to attend. You will be able to **register for aftercare** with our new provider YMCA Stonestown at this event.
- Over the Summer – Playdates. Current Dolores Huerta parents with incoming kindergarteners will host playdates at local parks during the summer. These are an opportunity for your children to get to know other kids before the first day of school, and for you to meet other parents.
- Tuesday, August 13<sup>th</sup>, 5:00-7:00 p.m - **Kindergarten Orientation**. The kindergarten teachers will present the kindergarten curriculum and explain what you can do to support your child during this critical year.
- Friday, August 16, 2:00-3:00 – **Meet and Greet with Your Teacher**. This is an opportunity for your child and you to see your child's classroom and meet the teacher before the first day of school
- Monday, August 19, 8:30-2:50 – **First day of school!**
- **School hours:** School begins outside at "Morning Circle" promptly at 8:30am. The school day concludes at 2:50pm. On Thursdays the school day concludes at 1:40pm. Reminder that parents will be welcome in the classroom after the first month of school.
- **Spanish Immersion:** Your child will be learning in Spanish. Our English-Spanish Two-Way Immersion Program develops fluency in both languages for English Language Learners and English-proficient students.
- **Mission YMCA Before and Aftercare:** Dolores Huerta has contracted with Mission YMCA to deliver our aftercare program. Their offices will be located onsite beginning in August. Morning and afternoon programs will be available from 7:00am - 8:35am and 2:50 pm - 6:00 pm respectively. YMCA offers homework assistance and a wonderful assortment of enrichment programs. YMCA will also offer financial assistance.
- **Websites:** Learn more about Dolores Huerta by going to our website at [www.weareDoloresHuerta.com](http://www.weareDoloresHuerta.com) and by joining our Yahoo and Facebook groups at [wearefairmount.com/communications](http://wearefairmount.com/communications)

We look forward to meeting you! Our warmest congratulations and regards,

***Your Dolores Huerta Community, and The Dolores Huerta Elementary PTA, ELAC and SSC***