

## William Land Elementary School

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Dear William Land Families,

Welcome to the 2024-2025 school year! Can you guess what this spring's musical will be? Our theme this year is *"Over the Rainbow."* If you need another clue, browse the bulletin boards of the exterior hallway and it should be an AHA moment!

It is a historical school year for William Land Lions...our doors first opened in 1915! WL is a small but mighty school in every way. Our faculty, staff, students, and families ROAR with endless pride, enthusiasm, spirit, and dedication and I am certain our campus will offer excellence for another 110 years. Our continued success is the result of a collective vision which is outlined in the staff-created Focus Wheel.

In addition to celebrating WL's birthday, we hope you will enjoy the new look of our flooring in the office, hallway, pods, and kindergarten rooms and the painted turf. Our main building has a coat of fresh paint with multilingual Leader in Me Habits on the end caps of the walls. The library courtyard has been refreshed with planters and new greenery. Lastly, our PTA purchased deck boxes for equipment and transformed our 1970's staff lounge with new furniture.

WL faculty and staff rely and value each family's partnership and it is essential to every student's success. I am extremely proud of the continued success and growth of our students and below are some strategies needed for another smooth and exciting school year.

- Ensure all your contact information is current in Infinite Campus and with your teachers
- Maintain communication with your student's teachers
- Access Google Classroom for announcements and assignments
- Check your emails and voicemails for information from school and your teachers
- Check the school website at <u>http://williamland.scusd.edu/</u> on a regular basis
- Have a quiet place for your student to complete assignments
- Help your student meet or exceed their trimester AR goals and master math foundational skills
- Ask your student about his/her day and what they learned on a daily basis (use the teacher's weekly newsletters as talking points)
- Help practice and apply Leader in Me habits and in your daily home lives
- Take the time to help at PTA school-wide events and chaperone on field trips
- Limit each student's screen time for recreational purposes and monitor online citizenship
- Ensure each student receives ample rest every night and eats balanced meals

Please save the date for Back-to-School-Night on Wednesday, August 28<sup>th</sup>. Your attendance is crucial as you learn about the year's standards, expectations, curriculum, and grade level as well as school-wide initiatives.

On behalf of the faculty, staff, and PTA, we thank you in allowing us to be a part of this privileged journey within your student's life.

Sincerely, Ms. Lee Carlson