



July, 2011

Dear El Puente School Parents and Students:

The start of the 2011-12 school year will be here shortly. I wish to welcome all students and parents to the new independent study school. **The first day of class is Wednesday, August 10<sup>th</sup>.**

**Students are to pick up their class schedules on Wednesday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m at Mount Toro High School.** All required paper work is to be turned in at the time the schedule is picked up. **Students must present verification that they have received a recent Tdap (whooping cough) vaccination or they will not be allowed to pick up a schedule.** Please refer to the enclosed information and to the registration packet mailed separately. Please review all forms, completely fill them out, and sign them. The following must be turned in when picking up a schedule:

- 1. Tdap (whooping cough) verification of immunization**
- 2. Data Transmittal Verification Form (Separate Mailing—Please check it over carefully and make any necessary corrections. Notify us of any change of address or phone number.)**
- 3. Signature Page from the Student Behavior Manual (Separate Mailing)**
- 4. Pupil Health History/Emergency Form (Separate Mailing)**
- 5. School Lunch Program Scan Form (Separate Mailing)**
- 6. Parent, Student and School Compact Form (Enclosed)**
- 7. Mount Toro High School Dress Code Form (Enclosed)**
- 8. Student Residency Questionnaire/Affidavit/Referral (Enclosed)**
- 9. Insurance Letter (Enclosed)**

Our teaching and support staff are dedicated to helping each student to be successful. It is our hope to have a successful first year collaborating with you, your youngster, our staff and our community members and the Salinas Union High School District. Keys to student success include daily work completion, student effort and behavior, and parent involvement. Please check on your student's attendance by calling our attendance office at 796-7770.

I invite all El Puente School parents to become actively involved in your students' education by attending conferences, maintaining communication with teachers and staff, and by participating in special events throughout the year. I encourage you to join our School Site Council, English Learners Advisory Committee (ELAC) and/or Title I Advisory. Please notify Ms. Guadalupe Osornio if you are interested.

Our Back to School Night will be held on **Thursday, September 1 at 6:00 p.m.** Please reserve this date and plan on attending this special evening. You will be able to meet our dedicated staff who serve and guide your students!

Sincerely,

Ivonne Glenn, Assistant Director of Alternative Education