

MRS. GRINGS'

WELCOME MESSAGE

August 7, 2023



WELCOME BACK FAMILIES,

I hope you enjoyed some time to relax with families and friends. I had to dust off my laptop to draft this letter. While it's nice to unplug, I must admit, I've missed you all and am so looking forward to a wonderful school year! Our fabulous new building is complete and ready to welcome our students!

The GVPTA has been busy over the summer with school supplies, planning back to school events, and getting ready for a great year. Please join us on Sunday, August 20, 9am-11am for the Grand View Grand Welcome, our official kick off to the school year. You can read more about the event details below.

Once the school year starts, families can expect weekly Monday Message Newsletters from me, and the PTA newsletter, The Gator Gazette is sent every Sunday morning. I normally do my best to keep things brief, but this edition has lots of back to school information. Thanks so much for reading! See you later Gators!



Mrs. Grings

Principal of Grand View Elementary

TO DO LIST (Click the links)

- Complete the Data Confirmation Process
 - Click here for video tutorial
- Order School Supplies by 8/20
- Subscribe to the GV Events Calendar
- Download the MBUSD App
- Text Y to the number 67587 to receive safety-related
- text messages from Mrs G.
- Sign up to receive the PTA Newsletter
- Begin the volunteer application and sign-up for a
 - Live Scan appointment in order to volunteer

CLICK HERE TO VIEW THE BELL SCHEDULE

8/20 Grand Welcome 9-11am

8/20 TK/Kinder Playdate 10-11am

8/22 TK Kinder Back to School Night 5pm

8/23 First Day of School

8/30 Back to School Night-1st-5th grades 5pm

Grand Welcome - Sunday, August 20, 9am - 11am Location: Performing Arts Center Terrace (adjacent to the new building)

What is the Grand Welcome? It's the day families and students meet at school to find out their teacher, learn about opportunities to get volunteer and get involved, tour the campus, purchase Gator Gear and catch up with friends. Enjoy coffee and donuts from the LA Donut Truck and check out our new building! Tours will be at 9:15am and 10:00am. We are also offering Live Scan appointments to assist with your volunteer registration process (see more info below). You can sign up here for a Live Scan appointment.

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Welcome to our new Kindergarten and TK Families

We are so excited to have our newest Gators join us!

At the Grand Welcome on 8/20 there will be a **Kindergarten/TK playdate from 10am - 11am** on the middle playground. I will be giving a tour of the TK/K facilities at 10:45am.

Also, please plan to join us for the TK/K Back-to-School event on 8/22 from 5pm - 6pm.

To assist with the adjustment for your student, the first two weeks are a minimum day schedule.

- TK: 8:25 AM 11:45 AM
- Kindergarten: 8:10 AM 11:30 AM

The first full day for TK/K will be Tuesday, Sept. 5.

We've moved!

Grand View's Main Office is now located in the new building. When dropping off or picking up your child outside of normal drop/off pick up times, or to check in to volunteer, you will enter and exit through the Main Office on Bell Avenue. Our new building also houses our state-of-the-art Performance Arts Center, the Cafeteria and Teachers Lounge. Come check it out at the Grand Welcome. Tours will be offered at 9:15am and 10:00am.

Please note the new building is accessed from Bell Avenue (2617 Bell Ave), attached here is the map and picture.



Back to School Night (1st - 5th grades)

Wednesday, August 30, 5:00pm 6:30pm

Join us at 5:00pm in the Performing Arts Center for a school wide information session. Immediately following, parents are invited to their child's classroom to meet their teacher and learn about class curriculum and expectations. This event is for adults only. Please note that Thursday, August 31 will follow a minimum day schedule.



Get involved at Grand View!

We need your help! In addition to volunteering in the classroom, we have some exciting opportunities to stay connected and involved on campus throughout the school year. Please fill out the <u>Volunteer Interest Form</u> to sign up for any and all opportunities that interest you.



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Volunteer Registration Process

In order to comply with CA State Laws and to improve the safety of our students, there are new procedures to follow in order to volunteer on campus. All volunteers must complete an application, submit a negative TB test result or risk assessment form and complete Live Scan fingerprinting. Please refer to the <u>MBUSD site</u> for more information.

We know this adds a step to your already busy back-to-school planning. However, we love our volunteers, so to make it as easy as possible we are offering Live Scan appointments at the Grand Welcome. The Live Scan application is \$77, payable at the time of your appointment. Sign up here for your appointment slot. Once you make an appointment, you will be emailed the Live Scan application. Don't forget to bring the completed application and your ID to the appointment.

Purchase School Supplies

Purchase school supplies using the link below by August 20 and they will be delivered to your child's classroom before the first day of school. Our teachers appreciate it when you order through the PTA because all students have all the same supplies. Families love it because we make it easy to be 100% ready for the school year!

Purchase School Supplies Here





Join GVPTA

Did you know that Grand View's PTA spends over \$500 per student each year? Our PTA provides essential classroom supplies and equipment and provides enriching opportunities for our students like assemblies, field trips and performing arts experiences to name a few. We need your help to make it all happen! Our official Membership Drive commences September 12, but get a head start and <u>Join GVPTA today</u>.

