## **DOUGLAS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT #27**



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## Dear DUSD Family:

It is an honor to welcome all the students back to school! We hope that everyone enjoyed some family time during the summer months. School starts August 3, 2022 and we are all looking forward to a great school year. First and foremost, we hope that all of our students and staff have a safe and healthy school year. While we are still dealing with COVID, we now have the means to protect ourselves and our families by being vaccinated. Vaccinations are not mandatory and neither are masks. You may choose to send your children with a mask if you prefer.

At DUSD, we believe that Education is a Work of Heart and we will continue to instill this belief throughout the school year. During the school year, we will consistently collaborate on our goals and evaluate how we are accomplishing those goals. Our goals will be time specific, attainable, relevant, and measurable. Our focus will to improve student's literacy and math skills as well as skills in other curriculum subjects. Our educators are ready to bring some **MAGIC** into their classrooms. We ask for your continued support by monitoring your children for flu like symptoms and ensuring that they are well enough to go to school. Please do not send your children to school sick. If your child needs to stay home due to illness, you must call your child's school to excuse the absence. Your child's daily attendance is extremely important and all absences will count. More than 10% of absences during the school year, may cause a student to be retained. Research shows, that having good attendance is linked to student success. Student success is also linked to having positive influences within the family. We strongly encourage you to support your child's education and social emotional well-being.

We hope that your children are as excited to start school because their classroom is where learning turns into knowledge. Whether your child is a senior or in first grade, we believe in their success! Please give your children a positive send-off to school each day, so they too can start their day on a positive note.

Thanks for your continued support and remember that together WE make a team! I am looking forward to another great school year!

Sincerely,

Ana C. Samaniego

Superintendent

Working together, raising standards, and developing leaders.