



**Don't miss information below about our 1st Annual Back to School Picnic
and other important events coming up soon!**

August 12, 2019

Dear Solana Vista Families,

Welcome to the Solana Vista School 2019-2020 school year!!! I hope you had a very fun and restful summer. This is a very special year for Solana Vista as it will be our last year in the existing building. We will spend much time this year reflecting on special memories and looking excitedly toward the future.

Our office staff and plant foreman have been working hard to get Solana Vista ready for a new school year, and we are so excited to welcome you and your child in late August!

Last spring and over the summer we had some staffing changes...

Join me in a warm welcome to...

Stephanie Voucas, School Counselor
Paulinna Garcia, School Psychologist Substitute until October
TBD, Reading Intervention Instructional Aide
TBD, Guidance Assistant Instructional Aide

We are sad to say good bye to....

Liz Schlicher, off to Solana Pacific (School Counselor)
Alan Prugulidad, off to new opportunities

1st Annual Back to School Picnic:

I'm excited to announce that our Foundation and PTA are hosting a special Back to School Picnic for Solana Vista and Skyline families on **Monday, August 26, from 4:00-6:00 p.m. on the Solana Vista campus.** Families are invited to bring a picnic to enjoy or purchase dinner from one of our many food vendors (Rudy's, Crust Pizza, Panda Express, SBLL Snack Shack, Mahalo Shaved Ice, etc.—please note some vendors only accept cash). Information about our many wonderful programs and volunteering will be available as well as the opportunities to get school spirit wear and to make your annual Foundation donation (credit cards and checks accepted). Music will be playing, "fun" will be had, and excitement for the new school year will be shared! I hope that I will see all of you there!

School Hours:

School hours are **8:30 a.m.-2:43 p.m.** Supervision will begin at 8:15 in the mornings and end at 3:00 in the afternoons. The gates will open at 8:15 in the morning. There is no supervision before 8:15. Parents/Guardians

must stay with and supervise their child(ren) until supervision begins at 8:15. **Students who arrive at 8:35 am or later will need be accompanied by a parent to check in at the front office.** CDC is available to families for before and after school care.

Class assignments:

Class assignments will be posted on the **Parent Portal Demographics Screen** after 5:30 pm on Thursday, August 22. Be sure to go to the **Parent Portal** at <https://www.sbsd.k12.ca.us/Domain/1005> prior to August 22 to complete the Student Data Confirmation process. **You will not be able to view your child's teacher if that process is not completed.**

Please know that our staff is working diligently to ensure proper placement for each of our students. In order to create balanced classes, parent requests for a specific teacher will not be accepted. SBSB policy supports the efforts of our teachers and requires a two-week waiting period before any parent requests for placement changes will be considered.

Mini Open House:

We will be having our Mini Open House on **Friday, August 23rd, from 10:30 to 11:15**. This is an opportunity for students and parents to meet their new teachers and visit their classrooms. In addition to meeting your classroom teacher, you will also have the opportunity to get information regarding volunteer opportunities, PTA, Foundation, Boy's and Girl's Club, CDC, Dad's Club, and Mission 2 Save.

Kindergarten Information:

Kindergarten families will be getting a letter at our Mini Open House outlining procedures and appointment times for our one-hour kindergarten "warm up" on Tuesday, August 27. The first full day of school for Kindergarten students will be Wednesday, August 28.

Back to School Nights:

Kindergarten: Thursday, August 29th; 5:30-7:00 p.m.

1st -3rd grade: Wednesday, Sept. 4th; 5:30-7:00 p.m.

Please make every effort to attend these important informational nights. Teachers will be sharing critical information that will help your child have a successful, productive school year. Childcare will not be provided at Back to School Night, so be sure to plan accordingly.

Drop-Off and Pick-up Procedures/Traffic and Safety Procedures:

All classroom teachers will discuss Drop-Off and Pick-Up Procedures with their students on the first day of school to familiarize them with the process and to clarify any questions. **Please review [our Traffic and Safety Procedures](https://www.sbsd.k12.ca.us/site/Default.aspx?PageID=6219) at <https://www.sbsd.k12.ca.us/site/Default.aspx?PageID=6219> to ensure the safety of all of our students and staff.** Please communicate with your child's teacher where you would like for your child to be picked up after school (blacktop or drive-through) so that we have a smooth dismissal.

Get Connected and Be in the Know!!

A warm welcome to all of our new families!

You will love our little school on the hill! In order to continue our "Go Green" efforts, please join the [Solana Vista Email Notification System](https://www.sbsd.k12.ca.us/Page/1126) at <https://www.sbsd.k12.ca.us/Page/1126>. Once you join our Email List, you will receive email notification reminding you when our weekly communication/flyers are available for viewing. **All principal communication will be electronic so it is imperative that you sign up right away.** I also encourage you to visit [our school website](https://www.sbsd.k12.ca.us/Page/11) at <https://www.sbsd.k12.ca.us/Page/11> regularly for the most up-to-date information.

Back to School Shopping:

I wanted to let you know that Solana Vista is a "No Zuca Backpack" school. Also, please know that toys, novelty items, and other non-educational materials are not allowed on campus.

Your child is provided a free public school education. Therefore, all materials and supplies for your child's learning in the classroom are supplied by the school district. We understand that parents often want to supplement these materials. If parents choose to donate optional items for the classroom, please check your classroom's wish lists.

Parent/Student Handbook:

You may refer to our handbook at <https://www.sbsd.k12.ca.us/site/Default.aspx?PageID=328> for more information about our policies and procedures.

Important Dates to put on your calendar:

- ❖ August 22 Classroom Placements posted on the SBSB Parent Portal (after 5:30 PM)
- ❖ August 23 Mini Open House (10:30-11:15 AM)
- ❖ August 26 1st Annual Back to School Picnic for SV/SKY families (4:00-6:00 PM @ SV)
- ❖ August 27 First day of school for grades 1-3 (School hours 8:30 AM to 2:43 PM)
- ❖ August 27 Kindergarten "Warm Up" (K parents will receive a letter with a one-hour appointment time)
- ❖ August 28 First day of school for kindergarten (8:30 AM to 2:43 PM)
- ❖ August 29 Back-to-School Night for Kindergarten (5:30-7:00 PM)
Childcare will not be provided, so please plan accordingly
- ❖ September 2 Labor Day (No school)
- ❖ September 4 Back-to-School Night for Grades 1-3 (5:30-7:00 PM)
Childcare will not be provided, so please plan accordingly

Please don't hesitate to call the school if you have questions or concerns at (858) 794-3700. The staff and I are looking forward to seeing all of you at our Mini Open House on August 23 from 10:30 to 11:15 AM. It is going to be a wonderful 2019-2020 school year!

Warmly,

Katie Zimmer

Katie Zimmer
Principal