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Paramount Students Return to new STEM Academy, Updated Technology and Coding Courses on Aug. 22

WHAT: More than 15,000 students in the Paramount Unified School District will be greeted with new digital tools, remodeled facilities and expanded curriculum when they return to campus on Wednesday, Aug. 22.

The new Odyssey STEM Academy will launch with a class of 144 freshmen. The school opening is a three-year project and will feature curriculum that focuses on science, technology, engineering and mathematics.

Paramount Unified will continue its emphasis on technology by greeting all eighth-graders, juniors and Buena Vista High School students with new Google Chromebook laptops as part of a multi-year technology rollout. The District will also offer a new computer coding component to Algebra 1 curriculum, while 70 District teachers became Google Certified this summer, allowing them to implement new technological practices to enhance learning.

To strengthen student support this year, Paramount Unified will employ a social worker at each of its four high school campuses.

WHEN: 8 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 22

WHERE: Odyssey STEM Academy
3701 Michelson St.
Lakewood

DETAILS: Paramount Unified was named to the 2018 Advanced Placement District Honor Roll by the College Board for boosting access to AP courses to more students while maintaining or improving AP exam passing rates.

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