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Monrovia Unified Welcomes Back Students for 2019-20 School year

MONROVIA – Monrovia Unified School District students bid farewell to summer and hello to a new school year on Aug. 14, as they participated in orientations, toured campuses, picked up class schedules, and committed to a successful 2019-20 academic year.

At the elementary level, parents accompanied students as they got acclimated to their classrooms and greeted their friends and teachers. Students took photos with teachers, principals, and friends before kicking off the first day of school.

Monrovia's Santa Fe Computer Science Magnet School and Clifton Middle School held orientations for incoming sixth-graders, who toured their new campus and picked up class schedules. Students learned about school culture and discussed the new responsibilities that come with being a middle school student.

Monrovia High School held a special orientation for its incoming freshman class. Students were greeted with a high-five line of administrators, teachers, and staff. The Class of 2023 participated in orientation activities focused on their future and pledged to their success in 2023 by signing gowns that will hang in the foyer for the entire academic year – a reminder every time students walk by.

Monrovia Unified offers a slate of innovative instructional and enrichment programs, including Coding, dual-language immersion, robotics, music, theater and arts – giving all students an opportunity to explore new interests and develop new skills.

"Our entire team of dedicated professionals in the Monrovia Unified School District looks forward to working with our students and exploring new tools for their continued success," Superintendent Katherine Thorossian said. "While I know that this school year will be replete with rigorous instruction and personal support, I am equally confident it will be a time to create wonderful memories."

PHOTO CAPTIONS

08.14.19_MUSD_First Day 1: Monrovia Unified students were excited to return to school on Aug. 14, and took photos with principals, teachers, and friends to celebrate the new school year.

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OUR MISSION

Inspire students to engage in meaningful learning in a safe and nurturing environment that embraces diversity.

Challenge students to be ethical, productive members and leaders of the community.

OUR VISION

Our students will be ethical, compassionate individuals who:

- graduate from high school prepared for college and career,
- contribute and adapt to an ever-changing world by being resourceful and responsible citizens, and
- embrace diversity.