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## Buena Park School District Boosts Student Learning, Social-emotional Growth at Summer Academy

**BUENA PARK, CA** – Buena Park School District is providing more than 200 students with additional support in math, reading, English Language Development, and college and career readiness through its Summer Academy.

The academy, which runs through July 14 at Charles G. Emery Elementary School and Gordon H. Beatty Middle School, provides incoming first through eighth-graders with more opportunities to continue academic excellence while also having fun.

Each day, both schools' programs provide additional assistance to the District's English Language Learners with targeted instruction to increase reading, writing, listening, and speaking skills. Students are also learning how to use a variety of apps from the District's Apple Coaches to incorporate music, art, and skills to help with college and career readiness.

Each Wednesday, students are encouraged to participate in Spirit Wednesday and dress according to various themes, such as "Our Futures are So Bright" and "We are College Bound." Students are also given Mindful Minutes, and nutrition breaks to ensure they stay healthy.

Incoming fourth-grader Clay H. said his favorite aspect of the Summer Academy is learning how to play different musical instruments with GarageBand – a computer program he is learning thanks to the school's Apple Coaches.

"Our Summer Academy is a fantastic way for students to continue their academic excellence while helping others prepare for the coming school year," Superintendent Dr. Ramon Miramontes said. "Summer Academy is just one of the many ways Buena Park School District builds strong foundations for our students while also preparing them for high school, college, and beyond."

### PHOTO CAPTIONS:

**SUMMER1:** Incoming fourth-grader Clay H. learns to play the erhu, a two-stringed Chinese bowed instrument, on his iPad through GarageBand during Buena Park School District's Summer Academy.

**SUMMER2:** Incoming first-grader Scarlett P. works on her English language arts skills during Buena Park School District's Summer Academy.

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