



# **District Highlights**

Superintendent - Gina Potter, Ed.D. Week of April 18, 2025

# **SUPERINTENDENT**

Gina Potter, Ed.D.

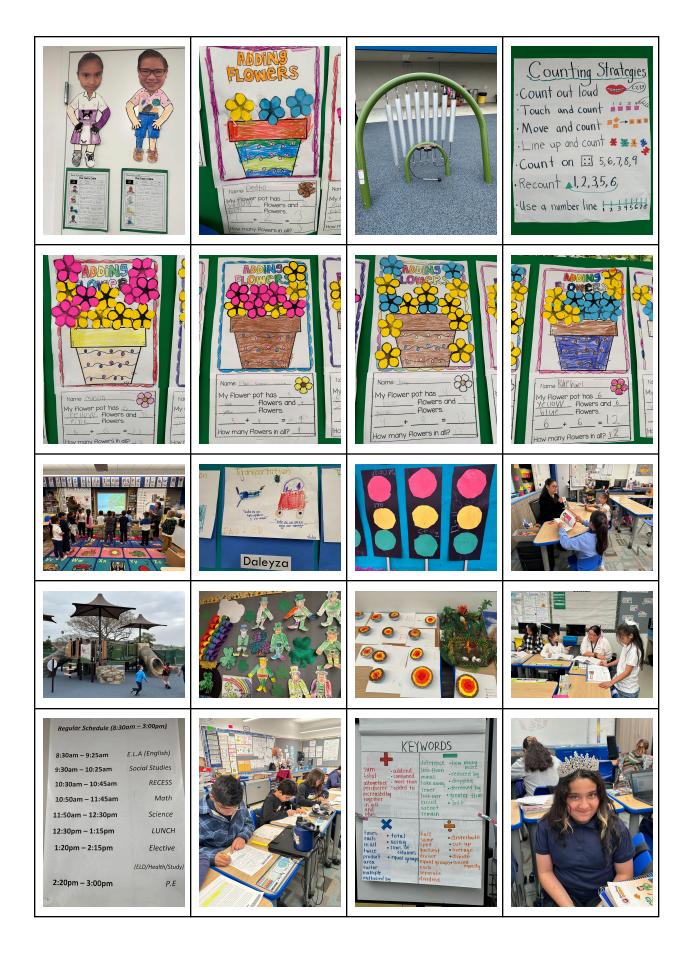
## LA MIRADA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL VISIT

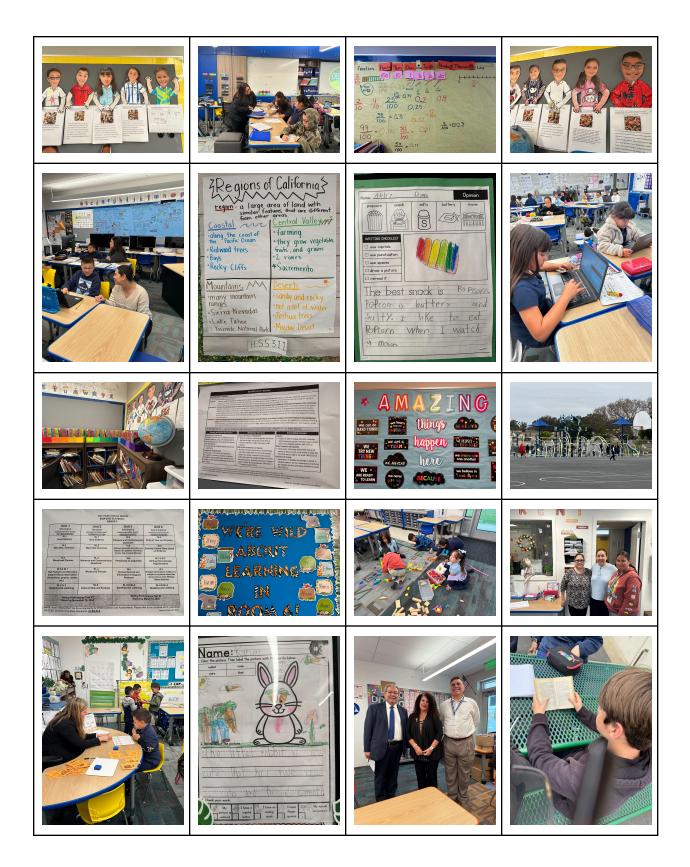
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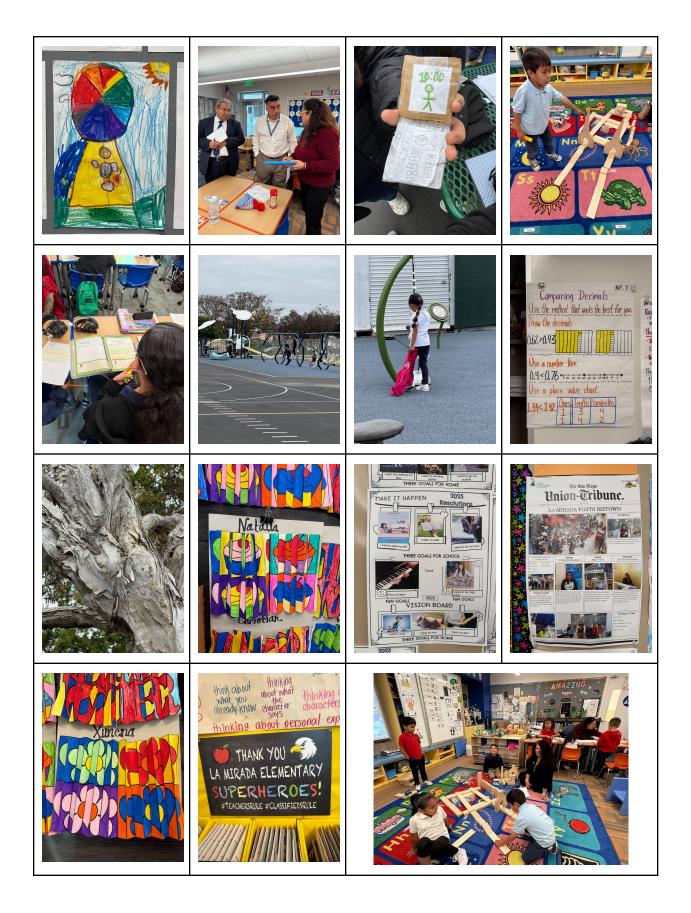
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## PHOTO HIGHLIGHTS







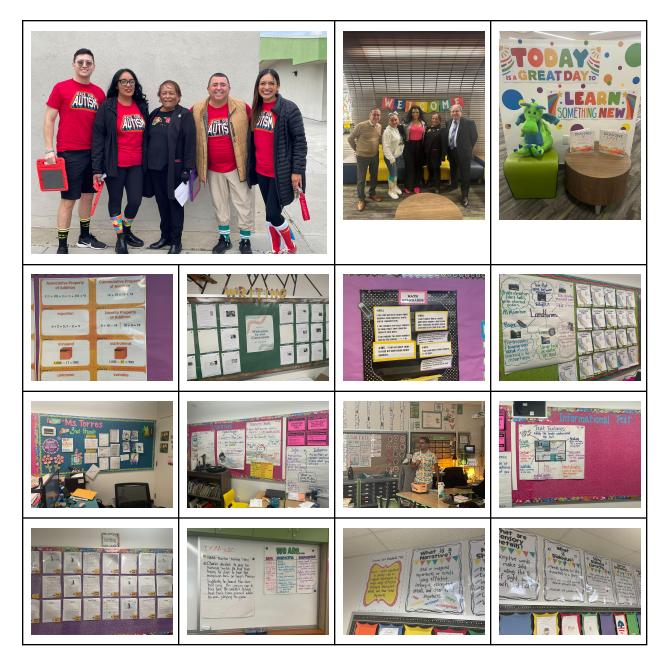


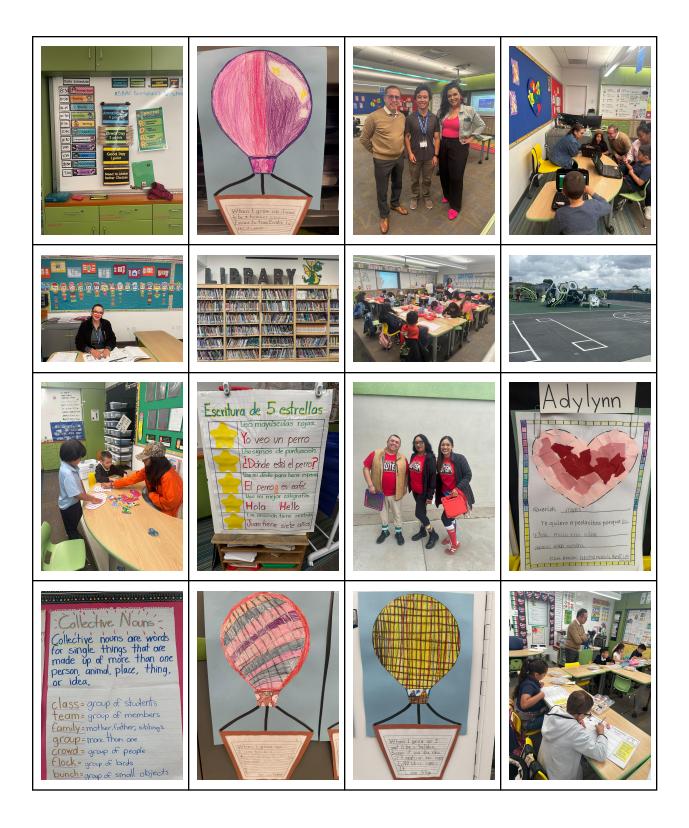
#### SMYTHE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL VISIT

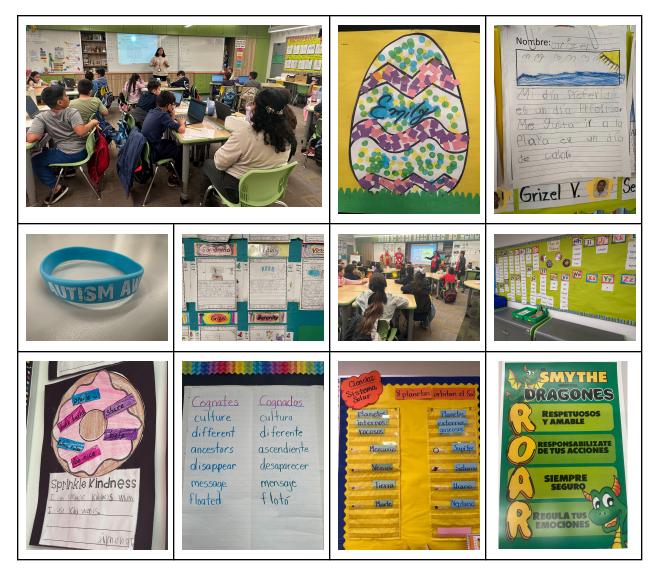
On Wednesday, April 17, 2025, Smythe Elementary School had the honor of welcoming district leadership for a school visit centered on engagement and meaningful feedback. Board President Zenaida Rosario, Board Clerk Irene Lopez, Board Member Kenia Peraza, Superintendent Dr. Gina Potter, Assistant Superintendent Manuel Bojorquez, Assistant Superintendent Dr. Jose Iniguez, and Director of Human Resources Efrain Burciaga were warmly greeted by Principal Rebecca Bravo.

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## **AUTISM ACCEPTANCE MONTH**

Our incredible special education teachers visited classrooms to present on Autism Acceptance. These presentations offered a valuable opportunity to promote understanding and inclusivity throughout our school community.





#### NATIONAL FOUNDATION FOR AUTISM (NFAR) 5K RUN/WALK

The NFAR Race for Autism was an annual event hosted by the National Foundation for Autism Research (NFAR) in San Diego. Taking place at Balboa Park, this family-friendly 5K run/walk drew thousands of participants each year. The race served to raise autism awareness, celebrate neurodiversity, and generate funds for local programs that supported individuals with autism and their families. Proceeds from the event supported community grants and initiatives that had a lasting impact throughout the San Diego region.

This year, staff from the Special Education Department and Smythe Elementary and the district proudly took part in the Race for Autism, showcasing their dedication to inclusivity and support for students with autism. Their participation not only contributed to vital fundraising efforts but also reflected a strong sense of solidarity with families and individuals affected by autism across the community.





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## **UPCOMING DATES**

| EVENT   | DATE/TIME  |
|---|--|
| Autism Awareness Month                          | Tuesday, April 1, 2025<br>Through<br>Wednesday, April 30, 2025 |
| Purple Up!<br>Day of the Military Child         | Wednesday, April 23, 2025                                      |
| Wear Blue!                                      | Friday, April 25, 2025   |
| Autism Acceptance Day                           |  |
| Day of the Principal                            | Thursday, May 1, 2025  |
| School Lunch Hero Day                           | Friday, May 2, 2025  |
| Week of the Teacher                             | Monday, May 5, 2025<br>through<br>Friday, May 9, 2025          |
| Day of the Teacher                              | Wednesday, May 7, 2025   |
| Classified/Confidential<br>Employee Week        | Sunday, May 18, 2025<br>through<br>Saturday, May 24, 2025      |
| Memorial Day                                    | Monday, May 26, 2025   |
| Last Day of School for Students                 | Wednesday, June 11, 2025                                       |
| Last Day of School for<br>Certificated/Teachers | Thursday, June 12, 2025  |

