



ESCONDIDO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Dear Prospective Spanish Immersion Families,

Thank you for your interest in the Spanish Immersion Program at Escondido School, one of the choice programs of the Palo Alto Unified School District.

We know that choosing an elementary school program for your family is an important decision, and we hope to help you as much as possible in making that decision. In this packet you will find information about immersion education and its benefits, the program at PAUSD, and how to be considered for enrollment.

To find out more information about the Spanish Immersion Program and help you decide whether this program is right for your family please attend the Parent Information Meeting and participate in one of the classroom visits.

1) **Parent Information Meeting**

This meeting will be held on Thursday, January 30, 2014 from 7:00-8:30pm at Escondido School. There will be two simultaneous meetings, one in English (in the library), and one in Spanish (**in room 13**). You will meet teachers, parents, students, Assistant Principal, Aleyda Barrera and Principal Danaé Reynolds. The agenda includes the educational philosophy of the Spanish Immersion Program and how to enroll your child(ren).

2) **Lottery Cards**

To enter the lottery, you must have registered your child at the district office. **The requirement for admittance into the program includes:** being registered in the PAUSD, attending one of the S.I. tours and being selected in the lottery. **Lottery cards will only be handed out on tour days.** Please mark you calendar accordingly.

3) **Classroom Visits**

Principal Danaé Reynolds will be leading tours of the Spanish Immersion classrooms on Friday, February 7, 2014, Monday, February 10, 2014 and Tuesday, February 18, 2014. Each tour is the same and begins at the Escondido School office at 8:45am. The tour will last until approximately 9:45am. Please note that classroom visits are for adults only.

We are very proud of the Spanish Immersion program and we hope that the attached materials will help you understand why. Again, thank you for your interest in the Spanish Immersion Program.