Dr. Carol Hansen, Superintendent

Relationships Matter: They Have A Powerful Impact on Achievement

Welcome to the Ocean View School District! It is hard to believe the 2018-2019 school year is under way. Now in my fourth year as your Superintendent, I am committed to staying the course we have set for ourselves and continuing to provide stability, credibility, and rigorous, innovative instruction in our 16 schools, preschool through grade 8. We maintain our laser-like focus on success for all students through our core curriculum and an array of innovative programs, including:

- Environmental Science Program at Golden View Elementary School
- GATE (Gifted and Talented Education) Programs at Circle View Elementary and Mesa View Middle Schools
- STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics) Program at Lake View Elementary School
- Visual and Performing Arts Program at Westmont Elementary School
- Before and After School Child Care Programs (elementary and middle school options)

At our recent opening of school event for all Ocean View staff, I spent time speaking about “Relationships Matter.” I urged our school community to embrace the power of relationships. We can offer the most innovative programs in our schools and provide the best lessons in our classrooms, but the most important practices that take place in our schools are the interactions between the adult and the child.

Furthermore, a review of educational research reveals that teacher-student relationships rank as one of the top factors to positively impact achievement. Addressing our students’ emotional and relational gaps is equally important to our work on bridging academic achievement gaps and supporting positive behaviors.

Making connections and developing trusting relationships between students, employees, and families have always been the cornerstone of my leadership success. I strongly believe that as educators and classified staff, we must work as a cohesive team to help all students achieve in our schools. I am proud to say that our administrative team and union leaders maintain strong working relationships, negotiate positive labor contracts, and support PAL, a Partnership of Administration and Labor. Together, we can prepare all students for their future successes and address their academic, behavioral, and social-emotional needs.

We encourage all OVSD families to stay connected through our Aeries Communications messaging and our websites, official social media, and OVSD and Aeries apps!

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