



WEST CONTRA COSTA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
MATTHEW DUFFY, SUPERINTENDENT

VISTA HIGH SCHOOL

PRINCIPAL
Edith Jordan-McCormick

Home of the Tigers!

CLASS OF 2019

Everyone can be great, because everyone can serve."

- *Martin Luther King, Jr.*

Meet Edith Jordan-McCormick, Vista High School's New Principal



Welcome Edith Jordan-McCormick, the proud new principal of Vista High School! Beginning her third year in West Contra Costa Unified School District, Mrs. McCormick is extremely excited and ready to serve the Tiger school community. Mrs. McCormick has served diverse student bodies all over the bay area in Oakland, San Francisco, and Berkeley Unified School Districts. She has been in education for over twenty years and brings with her a wealth of experience and excitement to the VHS community.

Mrs. McCormick began her career as an elementary school teacher in the Bayview Hunters Point area in San Francisco in the mid 1990's. She eventually moved to Martin Luther King Middle School in Berkeley where she taught Humanities and Reading to grades 6-8. After joining the King Middle School staff, a colleague convinced her to apply to the Principal Leadership Institute at UC Berkeley, where she earned her master's degree in educational leadership and administrative credentials. She began her administrative career as an Assistant Principal in the Oakland Unified School District in 2006 and has been in administrative work ever since. She

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CONTRA COSTA COLLEGE



Quarter 1 Honor Roll

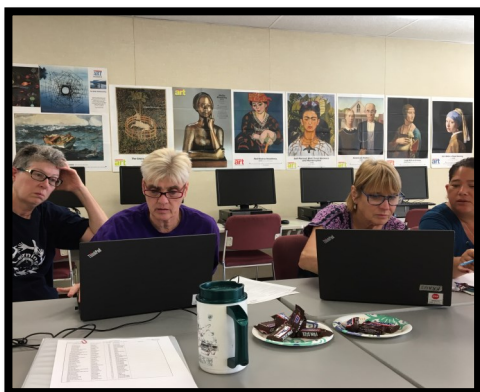
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DELRIO MANJARREZ, MICHELLE	11	3.60			
ENDOW, KYLE MASAO	11	3.80			

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Completing 20 hours of community service for a non-profit is a WCCUSD graduation requirement. Students are encouraged to begin their service learning hours early on in high school in the hopes that they will continue their volunteer work beyond the 20 hours. Volunteer work can benefit students when applying for jobs since it is a legitimate form of work experience. Popular service learning opportunities include volunteering at a local elementary school, walking and caring for animals at the local animal shelter, and planting trees/gardening for community organizations. Service learning offers students real life, hands-on experiences, often leading to a career path. After volunteering at Milo, one of our students went on to earn a vet tech certificate and another got a full-time job at a pet boarding business. After her volunteer work at a local elementary school, one of our students was motivated to become an instructional aide in our District. Vista High 10th grader Carsyn Riddell completed her service learning requirement by tutoring Vista students in our math lab. She enjoys it so much that she will continue to tutor in order to earn elective credit as a Teacher Assistant. Below is a list of some of the local non-profits that have been popular with students: The Milo Foundation, Greater Richmond, Interfaith Program, The Watershed Project, Urban Tilth, Contra Costa Food Bank, Multicultural Institute, Elementary



TEAMWORK AT VHS



Many people do not know what we do here at Vista High School. We offer a choice in schooling called independent studies. We are not a program and we are not continuation school. We are a type of schooling that allows students and teachers to promote self advocacy and self agency. Our staff works hard to support our students and we collaborate weekly to provide the best program for the students we serve. Imagine a school where all students are individuals and have specific needs, through that lens, you can see Vista High School. Here at VHS our teachers work diligently to do their best to support all of their students individually while they complete school through

the process of independent study. Vista High School has been around for thirty one years. Founded in 1987 to provide a challenging and successful one on one independent study school for at-risk youth, Vista High School continues to serve a diverse population of learners from the cities of Richmond, San Pablo, El Cerrito, Pinole, Hercules, and El Sobrante.

EXPLORATORIUM FIELD TRIP

My School Explored the Exploratorium

By Alexandria Carriere



One of the many diamonds of the San Francisco Bay Area is The Exploratorium. It is so much more than just a museum; it is an never-ending exploration funhouse of science, art, and human perception--a public learning laboratory based on inquiry-filled experiences that have transformed learning worldwide. In their own words on their website, "Our vision is a world where people think for themselves and can confidently ask questions, question answers, and understand the world around them." In a world where ignorance has become our worst enemy, it's communities like the Exploratorium that gives us hope for a better tomorrow. They've created tools and experiences that help anyone, from children to adults, become an active learner and explorer.

I experienced and observed several beautiful and innovative exhibits the day of our field trip, most of which were interactive and hands-on. However, I have to say that out of everything I viewed, my favorite exhibit was without a doubt "Curious Contraptions". In this exhibit, I explored small, surreal worlds through what is known as automata, which are beautiful, often hilarious mechanical sculptures. I absolutely adored these comical machines, being brought to life by intricate arrangements of handmade cams, cranks, and other simple mechanisms. To be honest, I was completely captivated by them. There are several other exhibits, such as Archimedes, which are parabolic dishes that collect and focus sound waves and reflect them to participants seated within them; the Blood-O-Meter, which counts how many blood cells you have and how many your body made just standing where you are; and even an interactive exhibit called Color Conflicts, where you must read the colored-words, not the words themselves, which just so happen to be the names of colors!

To all who visit San Francisco, whether you are a tourist or not, this wondrous, whimsical, fantastic

WISE WORDS BY AN ANONYMOUS STUDENT

Just Like Yesterday



I saw the sun today, just like yesterday. I reached my hands to get closer to it, but no matter how much I tried...I remembered...that I couldn't. Just like yesterday, I failed again. Will I be able to reach it tomorrow? I'll try to reach it as if I would get my pencil to write. Others might give up, but as for me...I'll keep trying, just like yesterday.

11th grader Vista High School 2018

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