

## BACK TO SCHOOL 21-22

### Students return to campus



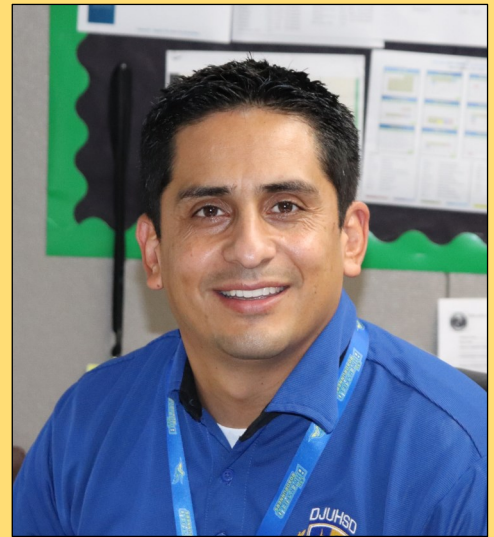
Students getting information from Ms. Sotelo, happy to be back in person at Valley High School

# Message from our Principal

Welcome Back Valley High School Eagles!

We are excited that you are here and working on becoming a better student and a better person. I am honored to serve as your Principal and to be part of your educational life. Our staff is focused on providing you with a quality learning experience.

We want to empower you towards academic and behavioral ownership and achieving academic success towards graduation, college, and career readiness. We



VHS Principal Uriel Robles



**The  
Eagles  
are  
back!**





# Eagles Have Landed Back at Valley

## Changes and challenges await Valley High Students upon return

Valley High School is back in session, in person and hope to continue that way for the entire school year. Students returned to on-campus learning after being gone for more than a year and a half because of the unprecedented, covid-19 pandemic shut down.

With the return of new students, there were also changes that took place. One of the changes is a new principal. Mr. Robles comes to VHS after three years at Cesar Chavez High School.

There are also new teachers and staff at Valley this year. Mrs. Duran and Mrs. Cruz are some of the new faces on campus this year.

Mrs. Duran is teaching Fashion Design and Culinary Arts, just to name a few of the classes

that she will teach.

Mrs. Cruz is going to be teaching English. She comes from Cesar Chavez High School.

A new staff member is Mrs. Killian. She is an Instructional Aide. She comes to Valley from the PACT program.

Students this year will have to wear masks while they are inside of a classroom or any building on campus. Teachers will also have to wear their masks.

Many students are glad to be back in school in person. Some students did not like the distance learning that took place last year.

Students and staff are excited for the upcoming year and we are all hoping that we will be



# WELCOME BACK EAGLES!!

# Staff News:

by Omar Gatica

This year Valley High School has a new principal. He is Mr. Robles. He replaces Mr. Diaz who moved to the District Office. Mr. Robles comes to Valley after spending a few years as principal of Cesar Chavez High School. Before that he was an assistant principal at Robert Kennedy High School.

Mr. Robles has many talents, but the one that he has done since he was six years old is playing baseball.

He also used to wrestle in high school. Mr. Robles thinks having fun and reaching your goal makes a good day at school.

When asked if he could choose any decade in which to live, he said he would choose 2010's because he would like to grow up with the tech they have now. Principal Robles said that if he were to win the lottery, he would retire and travel the world. Mr. Robles dream vacation would to be at Hawaii for then 10 days



## ELECTION DAY



Today you will be voting for members of this year's ASB Student Council. You will elect a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Activities Commissioner.

The voting will take place during your 5th period



# Questions and Answers with Mrs. Cruz by Jalyssa Hernandez

One of the many great teachers that we have at Valley is Mrs. Cruz. She teaches English here.

## **1. What would the students be surprised to find out about you?**

Students would be surprised to learn that I am very good at playing video games. I once played video games with my little nephew and nobody could beat me. I was unstoppable. I'm very fast and can easily maneuver the controller. When I was little, owning a video game console was very expensive. Our family certainly couldn't afford one, so I would go to a video arcade in the corner of my home in Mexico and play nonstop.

I only had 100 pesos, or one coin, for one opportunity; so, I couldn't get killed easily. I think that's why I'm very good at it.

## **2. What inspires you?**

I am inspired by positive change. Seeing the effects of positive change in the lives of others make me want to be a better person.

## **3. What differences do you see in your morning students versus the afternoon classes?**

Students are very alert early in the morning. They are willing to try anything. After lunch, it's a different story. Students are often tired and sleepy. Sometimes I see students secretly close their eyes while I'm teaching or they just can't stay awake.

I'm very playful. When I catch a kid close his or her eyes for a second, I will say something like "We heard you talk in your sleep. You said...." and I'll say something funny.

## **4. What's the best/worst thing about being a teacher?**

Teachers have the privilege of educating the world. The influence we have on students is extremely powerful. As a teacher, we teach skills that will be valuable to students throughout their lives. Sometimes, it's not just about teaching curriculum. We also mentor students to stay in the

correct path. Teachers just want to help students achieve their academic goals. The hardest thing for a teacher is to see a student waste his or her time and not do anything with his or her life. It's really hard to accept that.



## **5. If you won the lottery and decided to give up teaching, what would you do instead?**

If I were to win the lottery, I would invest my money. I would buy numerous homes and rent them to people. I would live off of my lottery money and put the profit I earn from the rentals in my Savings Account. Most likely, I would have to devote my time to manage the money and make sure everything the profit is being deposited in the bank:)

I would be sad to leave the teaching profession. Good thing it's a hypothetical scenario, meaning it's only "if it were to happen."

## **6. What makes a 'good day' at school?**

Personally, connecting with kids and helping them learn is the best feeling any teacher can have on any given day. Teachers feel very happy when kids learn.

## **7. Are there any embarrassing teaching moments you're willing to share? What are they?**

The most embarrassing moment for me in this profession has to be when I fell in front of my students a couple of years back. On that particular winter day, I was very involved my lesson. I was holding my coffee mug in one hand and walking back and forth very energetically. I remember I was wearing these cool, flat shoes with a huge, golden buckle in the front. As I walked and lectured, my buckles got stuck and I fell. All I remember was my student covering his eyes. Good thing I was wearing tights that day under my skirt. They were a lifesaver.

**ELECT**  
**Darcy**  
**Montemayor**  
**FOR**  
**SECRETARY**

**Vote for**  
**Jalyssa**  
**HERNANDEZ**  
**FOR PRESIDENT**

**XAVIAN**  
**VILLALOBOS**  
**FOR VICE-PRESIDENT**

**Valley High vote for**  
**Alan**  
**QUIRINO**  
**For Treasurer**

**ELECT**  
**Danny FERNANDEZ**  
**For Activities Commisioner**



# Spot the differences

Can you spot all 11 differences.





# Meet The Rumor Staff

## EFRAIN CARRILLO

My name is Efrain Carrillo. I am a senior at Valley High School. I was born and raised in Delano, Ca.. My parents are immigrants who came to the United States from Mexico before I was born, looking for a better life. I have two sisters and an older brother.

I plan on working right after high school even though I don't really know what career I want. In my spare time, I like to play on my Playstation4 with



## OMAR GATICA

My name is Omar Gatica. I am a senior at Valley High. I was born in Fresno, Ca. My parents are from Guerrero, Mexico. I only have one sister.

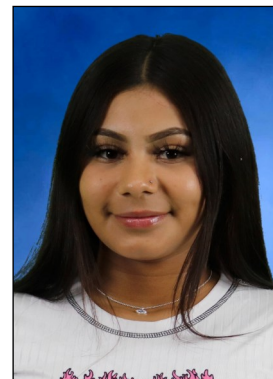
After high school, I am going to a trade school to learn to drive semi trucks because my goal is to be a truck driver. In my spare time, I like to play my accordion and cruise in my car. If you get to know me I am a very cool person . .



## JALYSSA HERNANDEZ

My name is Jalyssa Hernandez. I am a Senior at Valley High School. I was born in Visalia, California. My mom is from Puerto Rico and my dad is from Zacatecas, Mexico. I have 4 brothers and I'm the only girl in my family.

One day I would like to remodel houses for a career after I go to Fresno State University. Whenever I have some free time, I like to sleep or make food. I also have a fluffy cat named Leo.



## LUIS MEZA

My name is Luis Meza I was born in Tulare and My dad is from Zacatecas and my mom is from Guanajuato, I have three sisters. One day, I would like to work in trucking. I do not want to go to school after high school, I just want to start working. I like to play video games in my spare time. I also enjoy playing basketball whenever I have some free time.



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