

## PORTOLA MIDDLE SCHOOL

Home of the Mighty Matadors!

District Advisory Committee 10/25/17

## CORE VALUES: MATADOR MIGHT

- MIGHT: THE POWER TO DO SOMETHING
  - Motivation
  - Imagination
  - Grit
  - Honor
  - **T**eamwork

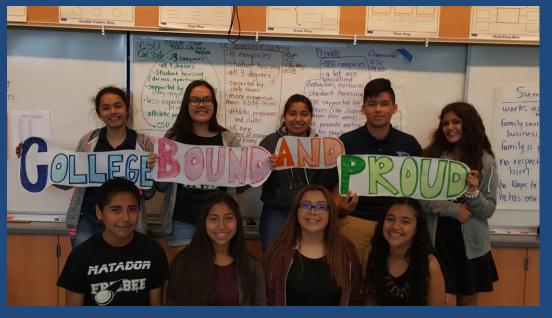


## WHAT'S HAPPENING AT PORTOLA

#### All of our students are:

- Academically Challenged
- Provided Opportunities for Enrichment and Intervention
- Connected to Portola through Electives & Extra-Curricular Activities
- Involved in Strong Community Partnerships





## **CORE CONTENT AREAS**

Technology Rich Instruction

1:1 in Math, Science, ELD, & Special Education

2:1 in History, Language Arts, & Electives

STEM Learning Opportunities

STEM Lab

Summer STEM Academy

STEM Club

Blizzard Gaming Company Mentorship

STEM-Based Learning in Science

Reading & Writing Across the Curricula

College-Career Readiness through

**Project-Based Learning** 

Field Trips

**Elective Course Offerings** 





## **ASB: ASSOCIATED STUDENT BODY**

- School Leadership: Plans and organizes school events like dances, pep rallies, student orientations
- Focus is to increase student engagement and their connection to school
- Integrates PAL Curricular (Peer Assistance Leadership)
- Work as School Ambassadors for the entire stakeholder community





- Intensive College-Career Readiness Program:
  Available grades 6-8
- Core Learning of WICOR (Writing, Inquiry, Collaboration, Organization, and Reading)
- College Tutors come 2X per week to help students with their learning
- Field Trips provide real-world application and meaning to learning



## **FASHION DESIGN**

- Career Technical Education Course
- Blends Creativity with learning about real-world jobs in the fashion industry
- Presents a Fashion Show for Parents at end of year
- Offers Field Trip to Fashion Institute of

Design & Merchandising each year





## **SPANISH**

- Earn High School Credits in Middle School
- We offer Spanish for both Native and Non-Native Speakers
- The course goes beyond teaching language; students learn about the culture of Spanish-speaking nations as well



## STEM LAB

- Exploration course in a variety of careers in Science Technology, Engineering, and Math
- Some Units Include:
  - Forensic Science
  - Electronics
  - Virtual Architecture
  - Robotics
  - Mechanisms
  - Energy and Power
  - Flight Technology







#### **VISUAL & PERFORMING ARTS**

- Brings out the hidden artist in all students
- Participate in cross-curricular learning
- Real World Learning including entering art contests, designing agenda book cover
- Create all of our school murals
- Perform for live audiences at Portola and Knott's Berry Farm







## YEARBOOK & JOURNALISM

- Write monthly newsletters for school
- Learn photo journalism—telling stories with pictures
- Creates school yearbooks (including theme, photos, and features)
- Real-Life application of writing and publications





## AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS & ATHLETICS





- Olympic Day
- Tutoring
- Dances
- Soccer, Flag Football, Volleyball, & Basketball
- After School Program: Tutoring, Leadership, Sports







## **CLUBS**

- Art Club
- Garden Club
- Chess Club
- Social Club
- STEM Club
- National Junior Honors Society
- Boy's Leadership through Soccer
- College and Career Club







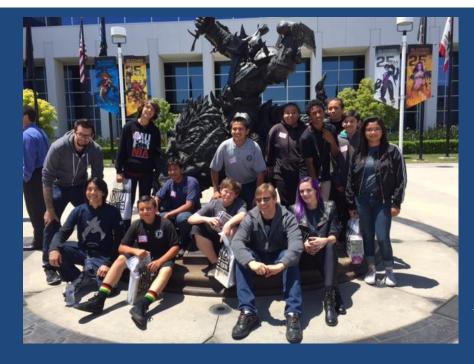


## **COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS**

















# THANK YOU FOR COMING TO PORTOLA MIDDLE SCHOOL

