

VALLEY STREAM SCHOOL DISTRICT 24

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Dr. Unal Karakas Superintendent of Schools

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Dear Valley Stream 24 Families,

The 2025–26 school year is off to a fantastic start! As I walk through our schools, I see students filled with energy, curiosity, and a readiness to learn. Their enthusiasm reflects the heart of our district's commitment to instructional excellence for every child.

As we begin this new school year together, I am pleased to invite you to our annual **Meet Your Teacher Night** on **Tuesday**, **September 16**, **2025**, **at 7:30 pm**. This evening is designed to strengthen the partnership between home and school by giving you the chance to meet your child's teachers, learn about classroom expectations, explore grade-level standards, learn about new policies and initiatives, and receive important information to support a successful year.

The schedule for the evening will be as follows:

- 7:30 pm 8:05 pm: Presentation I in classrooms
- 8:05 pm 8:25 pm: Presentation II with Special Area, Math, Reading, ENL, Speech, OT, and/or Resource Room Teachers
- 8:25 pm 8:55 pm: Presentation III in classrooms

Throughout the evening, our dedicated educators and staff will share their plans to inspire learning, build strong connections, and support each student's growth. While this event provides a broad overview, please know that our staff remains available throughout the school year to answer your questions and work alongside you in support of your child's success. In addition, our first parent-teacher conferences are scheduled for November 4th, when you'll have the opportunity for a more in-depth conversation about your child's progress. Our district calendar is available on our website for all important dates and events.

If you have any immediate questions or require further information, I encourage you to reach out to your building principal. We look forward to welcoming you on Tuesday, September 16, 2025, for an informative and engaging evening that reflects our shared commitment to excellence in education.

Warmly,

Dr. Unal Karakas Superintendent of Schools

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