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### **From the PRINCIPAL**

Welcome to our MCOE South County Special Education Programs. I am excited to welcome you to a new school year. As a dedicated special education teacher and administrator, I have spent 17 years working to build the highest standards in serving the education needs for all students. I have spent 5 years at Greenfield High School and this is my second year working as Principal with Monterey County Office of Education, South County Special Education Programs. I am honored to work for our children and families in South County and look forward to working with our staff to ensure that your child reaches their fullest potential.

In our Gabilan School we have 4 classrooms, one classroom 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> at Santa Lucia Elementary, one classroom 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> at Del Rey Elementary, one classroom at Rose Ferrero Elementary 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> ASD, and one classroom at Chalone Peaks Middle School. Our programs include Specialized Academic Instruction, Functional Academics and Therapeutic Intervention.

Our programs also include Speech and Language Specialists, Occupational Therapists, and Adaptive Physical Education, Behavior Specialists, and our Community Liaison. In addition, we have our excellent Instructional Para-Professionals and out transportation providers (MCOE, KCUSD and GUSD).

## Welcome New Staff

Welcome to the 2016/17 school year. We are excited to begin our new year with our terrific staff. We welcome Valerie Parker SDC teacher instructing students with Autism Spectrum 1<sup>ST</sup> – 3<sup>RD</sup> grade classroom at Rose Ferrero Elementary. We welcome Heather Singh SDC teacher at Gabilan School instructing students k-2<sup>nd</sup> grade. We also welcome Laura Wingo, Occupational Therapist, Kathleen Gleeson, Speech and Language Specialist and Richelle Garnace, Nurse. We welcome all of our terrific teachers and staff to a new school year filled with excitement and learning. Our school year is focused on ensuring each child is provided optimal learning. We believe all children differently and achieve with success. Together, we will continue guiding and assisting each child with the highest standards of educational and developmental instruction.

