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Dear Families,

Welcome back to the 2016-2017 school year. All of us in the Visual and Performing Arts Department (VAPA) are excited to bring arts education to your children in all of our elementary schools. The Elementary Arts Generalist Program is funded by the Public Education Enrichment Fund (PEEF), and schools and Principals work in partnership with the Visual and Performing Arts Department to plan and schedule quality arts instruction in the schools. Also, each school has an Arts Coordinator who collaborates with the VAPA teachers, classroom teachers, and the Principal to plan arts education for the students.

I will be your child's **Visual Art** teacher this year, and am looking forward to teaching one or two days per week at the school. Your child's classroom teacher or the school Arts Coordinator will have the details regarding the weekly schedule and special events. This VAPA Elementary Generalist Program is *in addition to*, and does not replace, any other **Visual Art** or Visual Art Integration that already takes place in your child's grade.

Teaching objectives are aligned to the State of California Visual and Performing Arts Standards. To see those learning outcomes for each grade level, the Arts Education Master Plan, and other helpful information about the SFUSD Visual and Performing Arts Department, visit our web site at SFUSDVAPA@weebly.com.

Thank you for supporting the Arts in SFUSD!

Sincerely, *Carrie Wing*

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