



**Meet San Leandro Unified School District's Title 1 Elementary Intervention Specialist Team!**

Dear SLUSD Families,

The district wanted to inform parents of very important work that has been unfolding during this school year at six of our elementary schools. Last spring, SLUSD attained a grant to fund additional teachers at our Title 1 elementary sites dedicated to providing intervention support services.

Our intervention specialists are focused on helping students to meet grade level expectations. Intervention specialists work with teachers and support staff to provide direct academic and behavior intervention services to students in grades TK-5. Each intervention specialist also provides training for teachers during the day and at professional development meetings on how to implement our multi-tiered integrated support system to ensure that every student is thriving academically and behaviorally.

This intervention support includes:

- Monitoring of students with academic needs in English literacy, language development, and math

- Providing in class support for small, flexible learning groups through differentiated instruction to meet intervention needs
- Supporting teachers and students access to online blended learning platforms such as Learning A-Z, Compass Learning and Imagine Learning
- Conducting social-emotional lunch bunch groups
- Providing training on the Toolbox curriculum for socio-emotional learning
- Assisting teachers with using assessments to inform intervention plans
- Providing direct instruction to intervention groups during the school day

To learn more about the intervention specialists' support at Garfield, Monroe, Jefferson, Washington, Wilson, and McKinley, please contact the site administrator. We are excited about the additional support this staff will provide our students as we aim to ensure students meet grade level standards.

**Jenny Riester Graham, Intervention Specialist for Wilson and Garfield**



Jenny has been working in San Leandro Schools for over 15 years. Her area of expertise is in Special Education. During her time here at San Leandro, she has worked as a Resource Specialist at Madison Elementary, John Muir Middle School and San Leandro High School. In addition, Jenny spent two and a half years as a Program Specialist supporting students with special needs across the district as well as providing district wide professional training. Jenny brings a wide variety of academic and behavioral intervention strategies that benefit struggling learners. She enjoys being part of the Wilson and Garfield family and loves to watch students grow and learn. Jenny is a passionate supporter of early intervention and is excited to be supporting a multi-tiered system of support at Wilson and Garfield.

**Antoinette Miller, Intervention Specialist for Jefferson and Monroe**



Antoinette is the Intervention Specialist at Monroe and Jefferson. She has been an elementary school teacher for fourteen years. After two years of teaching second grade in Oakland, she moved to San Leandro. Since 2006, She has taught second grade, fourth grade, and fifth grade at Jefferson Elementary School. Antoinette has been an Elementary School Instructional

Innovator. In this role, she learned how to design instruction that support a wide variety of academic needs through project based learning. In her role as a Technology Educational Consultant, Antoinette provided professional development on how to use the SLUSD blended learning platforms to personalize learning for students in grades TK-5. Antoinette is motivated and excited to be apart of a team that is supporting the implementation of the multi-tiered intervention system of support at Jefferson and Monroe.

**Mari Ullrich, Intervention Specialist for McKinley and Washington**



Mari Ullrich is the Intervention Specialist at Washington and McKinley. A 31-year education veteran, Mari has taught Kindergarten, second, fourth and fifth grades, special education and adult school. Her career spans experience in Los Angeles, San Luis Obispo and San Leandro Unified. Mari was the Title I Coordinator at McKinley Elementary for nine years, supporting academic interventions and providing professional development to classroom teachers on strategies and support for student achievement. Mari is most proud of her work helping students and teachers tap into joyful and innovative learning, whereby students of all abilities can thrive

and feel success. Mari is honored to be apart of a team that is supporting the implementation of the multi-tiered intervention system of support at McKinley and Washington.