Executive Summary

Monseñor Óscar Romero Charter School 11/5/18



Recent Updates

New Campus Construction

- Final completion date is projected for December 5th!
- DWP is progressing on schedule supplying power, which is the biggest variable in terms of on-time completion
- Tentative Ribbon Cutting is scheduled for January 7th, 2019





District Validation Review

- On October 30th, the District Validation Review (DVR) team for Special Education audited the MORCS SPED program
- DVR team praised our school for having a strong SPED program including:
 - "Creating a school environment that welcomes parent and community participation" and
 - "Facilitating coordination and collaboration between general education and special education staff"
- The main area of growth was ensuring that the teaching staff was informed at a deeper level regarding specific details of student IEPs

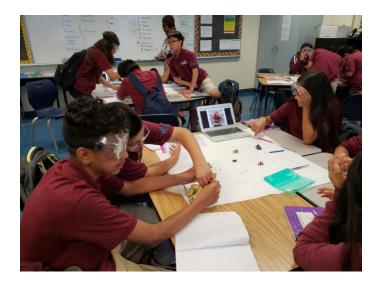
State of the School

Academics

- MORCS students all took the <u>Interim SBAC</u> (Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium) Exam in October for the first time
 - This results from this exam will allow teachers to identify and target key areas of strength and growth in student learning
 - The exam also allows students to gain much-needed experience with the SBAC testing interface in preparation for the annual state exam

- Students have been <u>Project Based Learning</u> in order to cultivate critical thinking and problem solving skills. Students also learn how to lead, to collaborate, and communicate through real-world based projects.
- Students are graded using <u>Mastery Based Grading</u>, which more accurately, fairly, and clearly demonstrates student proficiency in each content area.





Culture and Climate

- Key <u>PBIS</u> (<u>Positive Behavior Intervention Systems</u>) practices are being implemented in order to ensure that MORCS students are Safe, Respectful, and Responsible, including:
 - an intervention flowchart articulating how teachers and support staff can progressively intervene and teach students more appropriate behaviors
 - a MTSS (Multi-Tiered System of Supports) Committee which meets regularly to determine how to support our highest need students

Operations

- The Great Shakeout Drill was successfully conducted on 10/29/18!
- Teachers met with 95% of parents during Parent Conferences in October





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