



LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

## Thomas A. Edison Middle School

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Dear Edison Students, Parents, Families and Friends,

Welcome to the 2017-2018 school academic year.

I would like to extend congratulations for a very successful 2016-2017 academic year.

Our mission is to develop students who:

- a. understand the value of education, and the need for lifelong learning
- b. make connections across the disciplines
- c. apply their understandings to real-world contexts as practitioners and apprentices
- d. exhibit creative and critical thinking, make suppositions, question viewpoints, and search for patterns
- e. adapt to a changing technological world
- f. practice physical, mental, emotional, and social wellness
- g. demonstrate character through caring, honesty, trust, appreciation of differences, and family
- h. conduct themselves safely, respectfully, and responsibly
- i. set goals, explore professional directions, and demonstrate perseverance

The resulting vision is the empowerment of competent and confident visionaries, decision makers, and catalysts of positive change.

--Endorsed by SSC  
February 25, 2008

- The culmination rate increased 22 percent. It rose from 68% to 90%. This is a great accomplishment as a result of your efforts last year.
- Thanks to our school for Advanced Studies Staff (SAS) led by Mrs. Warner our school achieved an “exemplary” approval status on the annual gate report.
- Our AVID program led by Mrs. Pineda, was certified with distinction and we will all be working together this year to make Edison a school demonstration site for AVID with several new AVID members; Mr. Dumas, Ms. Hartman, Mr. Smythe, Mr. A. Rodriguez and Mr. Mc Mahon.
- Edison is now offering the Dual Language Program to 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students. Under Dr. Alegria’s leadership and Edison will serve as a demonstration site.
- Over 300 students were provided support in summer school, reclassification Preparation and AVID Excel summer Programs.
- Mr. Arias will be coordinating an Architectural Design pathway with Perkins Funds provided by (CTE) California Technical Education.
- Mrs. Ulloa’s efforts in working with our teachers to reclassify students helped Edison Surpass the 20% district target of percentage of English Learners who reclassify as fluent English proficient (RFEP) to a final 27%.
- E-Cast estimated our school population to be 1,100 students-we have 1,200 students enrolled.

Welcome to your school and I look forward to working together to make Edison even more successful in the 2017-2018 school year.

Sincerely,

Salvador Velasco  
Principal