

California Republic Leadership Academy Capistrano

Parent Information Session

January 23, 2024



Agenda

(5:00-6:00 PM)

4:50 PM Doors open/Sign-in

5:00 PM Begin presentation

5:30 PM Q&A

5:45 PM Classroom walkthrough

6:00 PM Event Concludes

Overview



- **CRLA Team**
- What is a Charter School?
- **The CRLA Difference**
- What to expect from Classical Education
- Parent Participation
- **Facility & Operations Update**
- School Calendar & Key Dates
- **Enrollment Update**
- Questions?

Meet the Team

Executive Director: Mr. Davis

School Principal: Mrs. Suhr

Office Manager: Mrs. Wyckoff

Campus Operations Manager: Mr. Zeif



What is a Charter Public School?

- Free, Public, and Open to All
- Charter schools are 501c(3) nonprofit organizations, governed locally
- Charters are approved by local authorizers, who then provide oversight, but they operate independently
- This freedom allows teachers to be more innovative and communities to shape their local school
- Requirements as a Public School
 - Immunizations
 - Age & Grade Levels
 - Attendance Based Funding



Mission & Vision



Vision

California Republic Leadership Academy Capistrano inspires and empowers the next generation of California's leaders to **excel academically**, to be **proud Americans, proud Californians**, and to **impact the world** with excellence derived from an education like that which produced the inspired **servant leaders** who founded our great nation.

Mission

The Mission of the California Republic Leadership Academy Capistrano is to develop the next generation of leaders in **mind, character, and practice** through a **virtue-based** education that leads a scholar to **servant leadership** through the **pursuit of truth** and the **development of virtue and wisdom**.



The CRLA Difference

- Classical education
 - High-quality and content-rich curriculum
 - Mission-driven school
- Positive school culture with high expectations for behavior
- Franklin Covey education to inspire servant leadership
- School uniforms for unity and focus
- Multi-tiered system of support that educates the whole child
 - Academic
 - Virtue/Character-focused
 - Behavior
 - Social emotional
- Logical and thoughtful use of technology
 - Teachers instruct, not technology

Classical Education

A Classical Education seeks to *inspire & cultivate virtue and wisdom*

- ❖ Classical Educators have a high view of humanity
 - Humans seek fulfillment through a quest for wisdom and virtue
- ❖ Education is good for its own sake, not merely for vocational training
- ❖ Emphasis on language/mathematics
- ❖ The teacher is the leader and model, and promotes critical thinking



Truth, Beauty, and Goodness

- ❖ Classical education values and focuses on the moral development of its students
- ❖ Content-rich curriculum teaches facts, and allows students to reflect on and think critically about those facts
- ❖ Teacher-led instruction & Socratic questioning guides students to contemplate and reflect on ideas in order to think critically about what is being taught



Virtue

- 10 Focus virtues
- Motto: “**Wisdom begins in wonder**” ~Socrates
- Virtue of the month
- Monthly Student recognition
- Olive tree: peace and friendship



Classical Education Curriculum

- *Literacy Essentials* (reading, spelling, writing): Grades TK-3
- Singapore Math (*Dimensions* curriculum): Grades TK-6
- IEW *Institute for Excellence in Writing* (composition): Grades 3-6
- Well-Ordered Language (formal grammar): Grades 3-6
- Core Knowledge sequence: Grades TK-6
 - Science
 - Art
 - Poetry
 - Music
 - History
- Zaner-Bloser cursive: Grades 3-5
- *English From the Roots Up* (Latin roots): Grades 4-5
- Literature: classic novels
- Latin: starting 6th grade



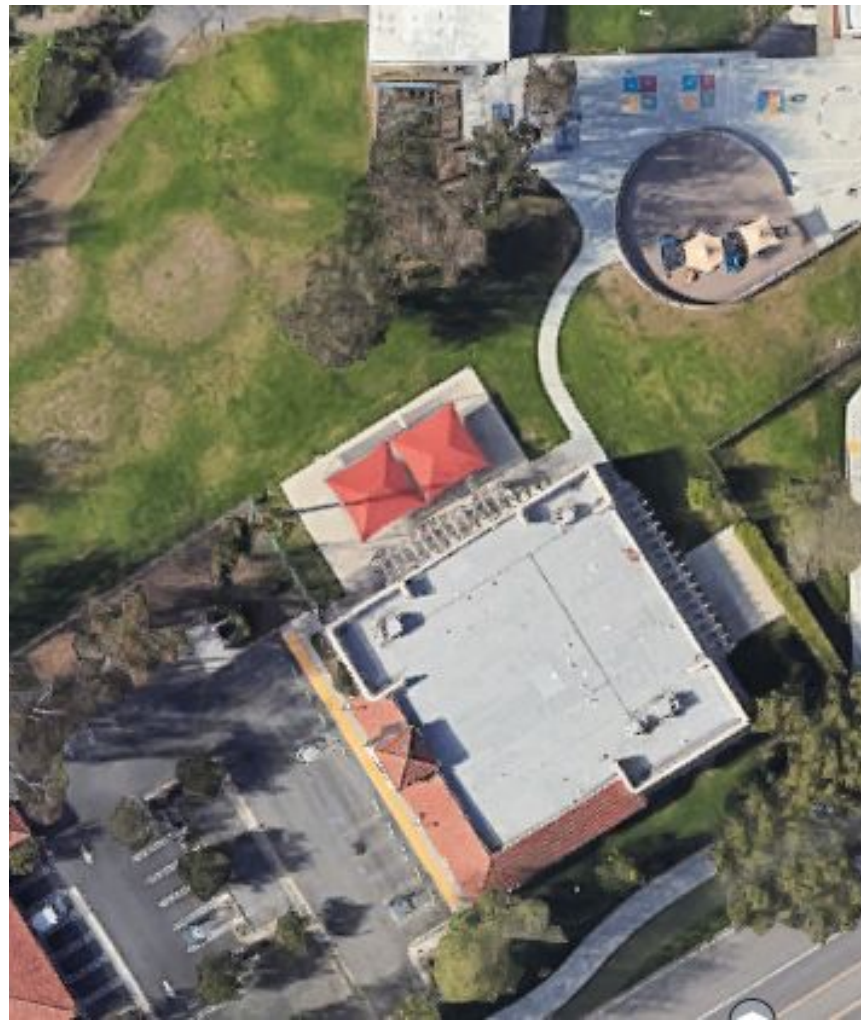
Parent Participation

- Active involvement in school community
- Parent engagement opportunities
 - Coffee with the Principal
 - CRLA Parent Association
 - Academy Advisory Council
 - Parent Engagement Meetings
- Volunteer on campus and in the classroom
 - Room Parents
- Communication Platforms: Parent Square & Class Dojo



Facility & Operations Update

- School Safety
 - Campus Monitors
 - Cameras
 - Background Checks/Raptor
 - Staff Training
- Facility Update
 - Large Classrooms
 - Outdoor Cafeteria
 - Playgrounds





Registration Update

- Open Enrollment: January 2 - February 2
- 2024-25 Availability
 - TK(Morning/Afternoon): 48
 - K-6: Varies by Grade
 - Second Kindergarten Class
 - Possible Second First Grade Class
- Waitlist, Priority, & Lottery Policy
 - 72 Hours to Accept Spot & 72 Hours to Complete Registration
- Parent Square communication for *registered* families



Questions?

