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My name is Daniella, and I’ve recently been hired as the new Student Support Specialist at COA Elementary. I wanted to officially introduce myself to you all now that I’m getting more into the flow of things in my new position. Some of you have seen me around and know me a little better than others, but I look forward to getting to know all of you more as the school year goes on.

A little about me and my background. I was born in the United States to Ukrainian parents, grew up attending a Russian church, and received my education in the American school system, so I have a pretty good understanding of how the cultures differ and how they intertwine. I’ve gotten the chance to travel quite a bit and love meeting new people of various backgrounds and cultures. My background, education, and travels have served to teach me how beautiful our world is and how amazing people are! People are awesome!! We’re all so unique and talented in our own ways! And kids are the greatest of us all! I’m so excited to get to work with our students in helping them see their potential! I believe every child is special in his or her own way and every child deserves the opportunity to succeed!

As the eldest to immigrant parents, I understand the struggles of our English Learners and the cultural dynamics of our immigrant families because I experienced many of the same things they go through. I want every student to be encouraged often and to feel supported. I want every student to KNOW they have the ability to do great and to be great, and I will strive to make each student at COA confident in their ability to succeed.

I have an open-door policy in my office (located at Dudley) for students who need someone to talk to. I want them to know there’s always a listening ear if they feel upset or discouraged. I meet with students regularly on an individual basis for emotional support and encouragement if they’re having a difficult time going through something. Our goal is to help them thrive at COA elementary and beyond.

Besides my primary role in dealing with students one-on-one, I am also involved in and help to organize fundraisers, assemblies, school events, and various programs that all help advance our students’ wellbeing and academic growth at COA Elementary. Whatever it takes—our kids are worth it!

Daniella Kalinyuk, Student Support Specialist
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ON OCTOBER 3, 2017, during the Board of Directors of the Gateway Community Charters (GCC) meeting, an OFFICIAL AWARDS CEREMONY was held in honor of some of Community Outreach Academy’s students; six COA students showed the maximum academic results when tested under the CAASPP (California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress). The awards ceremony was conducted by Lillie Campbell (President of the GCC Board of Directors), Dr. Cindy Petersen (GCC Superintendent) and Dr. Jerry Kosch (Director of Personnel and Academics). The COA school administration congratulates the students who received such high marks and awards and wishes them further academic and life success!
COA SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL (SSC)

 SSC Teacher/Staff Representatives

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2017-2018 School Site Council (SSC) Meetings

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COA English Language Advisory Committee (ELAC)

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5712 Dudley Blvd., McClellan, 95652

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COA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IS GOING MOBILE!

ENJOY THE CONVENIENCE OF:
- Viewing upcoming events and activities
- Catching up on the latest news and updates
- Staying in touch with teachers and staff
- Sharing pictures, submitting forms and much more!

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We are excited to have this app as a way for you to connect with COA Elementary School and be an active part of our growing community.

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COA News
The safety of our students

We take the safety of our students very seriously. Parents and students follow the school’s policies and procedures to ensure the safety of every student. Teaching children the importance of following safety procedures will greatly influence them in their adult lives. When you bring and pick up your children to school according to the school’s arrival and dismissal procedures, you are teaching them the value of everybody’s well-being and protection, including other students, parents, teachers, as well as their own.

Our school’s policy is that students are not to arrive at school before 8:00 am (Parent Handbook p.14). There is no adult supervision available before 8:00 am. We have great

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M E A S U R I N G A C A D E M I C P R O G R E S S

Practical Experience Training!

November 2, 5:30 p.m.
5637 Skvarla Ave., McClellan, CA 95652

Please come prepared with your child’s login Information!

Report Cards
Assessments & Awards
School App
Gradelink.com
Online Pro-

(916) 286-1950

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January 16th thru January 19th, 2018

- Siblings & Employees’ Children KG Enrollment
- Re-enrollment for current KG thru 8th grades

February 7th thru February 9th, 2018

- Public KG Enrollment
  (Based on classes’ availability)

March 15th, 2018, 6:30 p.m.

- Lottery for KG
  (If needed)

April 11th - April 13th, 2018

- Open Public Enrollment for 1st thru 8th grades
  (Based on classes’ availability)

May 3rd, 2017, 6:30 p.m., 2018

- Lottery for 1st thru 8th grades
  (If needed)
Please join us for

2017 After School Program

TALENT SHOW

November 16, Thursday
6:30 p.m., Theatre

Welcome to a special evening which will include instrumental music, voice, sign language, theater performances, gymnastic, martial arts, unique arts and crafts display. You will also have an opportunity to meet the after school teachers and staff.

Послешкольная Программа Представляет

ВЕЧЕР ТАЛАНТОВ

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- Fall Retake Picture Day  
  November 1  

- Radio Program “School & Family” / 1430 AM  
  November 2, 8:00 am  

- PARENT WORKSHOP  
  Measuring Academic Progress  
  November 2, 5:30 p.m.  

- “Student Talk” Radio Program / 1430 AM  
  November 6, 8:00 a.m.  

- PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES  
  November 6-9  

- VETERANS DAY  
  November 10 / NO SCHOOL  

- SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL Meeting  
  November 14, 5:00 p.m.  

- Radio Program “City Life Radio” / 1110 AM  
  November 15, 12:15 p.m.  

- STUDENT TALENT SHOW  
  November 16, 6:30 p.m. / THEATRE  

- THANKSGIVING BREAK  
  November 20-24 / NO SCHOOL  

- MINIMUM DAYS  
  November 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 17

TRI 1 STUDENT AWARDS ASSEMBLIES / NOV 14, Tuesday

Grade 6 / 8:45-9:15am  
Grade 5 / 9:30-10:00am  
Grade 2 / 10:15-10:45am  
Grade K / 12:30-1:00pm

TRI 1 STUDENT AWARDS ASSEMBLIES / NOV 15, Wednesday

Grade 3 / 8:45-9:15am  
Grade 4 / 9:30-10:00am  
Grade 1 / 11:00-11:30am

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