



Galt Joint Union Elementary School District

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July 17, 2025

Dear Lake Canyon Families,

Hello! My name is John Lyman and it is with great enthusiasm that I introduce myself as the newly appointed principal of Lake Canyon Elementary. I am honored to have been chosen for this opportunity and I look forward to working together to support our students.

Our family moved to Galt in 2014, however, my passion for education began over 22 years ago. School community and promoting togetherness is important to me. I take great pride in watching students make connections. This drive led me to attain a Master of Arts degree in Education, specifically in Curriculum and Instruction. I was a teacher in North Highlands for 16 years before moving into administration. For the past five years, I have had the pleasure of being an administrator in Elk Grove, most recently as the principal of Marion Mix. I am also the proud father of four, two of which are familiar faces, Julia and Ava Lyman! Julia has just been promoted to McCaffrey Middle School, and Ava is in 6th grade at Lake Canyon!

I have been partnering closely with Principal Judi Hayes to ensure a smooth transition. I believe that building relationships is essential. Students reach their greatest potential when they are supported by caring adults and the community around them. My goal is to continue to support and build on the amazing programs that Lake Canyon offers students. I am also excited to bring families to school with assemblies, event nights, festivals, and all the other fun activities that make Lake Canyon so special. Together, we will continue to focus on creating a collaborative and inclusive school community to ensure the academic, emotional, and social needs of all students are met.

I am grateful to the Galt Joint Union Elementary School District and the Lake Canyon community for their confidence in my leadership. I am passionate about taking on this position as your principal and I am thrilled to continue the tradition of excellence at Lake Canyon Elementary. I am looking forward to connecting at our Meet and Greet on August 5th at 4:00 PM. School officially starts on August 7th, however, please do not hesitate to reach out to me at jlyman@galt.k12.ca.us at any time. I look forward to meeting each of you as we begin this new and exciting year together!

Thank you,

John Lyman
Principal
Lake Canyon Elementary

MISSION STATEMENT

The school district's mission is to promote growth and achievement through innovative educational programs that integrate personal strengths, social-emotional and academic learning for all children.

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Estimadas familias de Lake Canyon,

¡Hola! Me llamo John Lyman y con gran entusiasmo me presento como el nuevo director de la Escuela Primaria Lake Canyon. Me siento honrado de haber sido elegido para esta oportunidad y espero trabajar juntos para apoyar a nuestros estudiantes.

Nuestra familia se mudó a Galt en 2014; sin embargo, mi pasión por la educación comenzó hace más de 22 años. Promover la unidad en la comunidad escolar es fundamental para mí. Me enorgullece ver cómo los estudiantes establecen conexiones. Esta motivación me llevó a obtener una Maestría en Educación, específicamente en Currículo e Instrucción. Fui maestro en North Highlands durante 16 años antes de dedicarme a la administración. Durante los últimos cinco años, he tenido el placer de ser administrador en Elk Grove, más recientemente como director de Marion Mix. También soy el orgulloso padre de cuatro hijos, dos de los cuales son caras conocidas: ¡Julia y Ava Lyman! Julia acaba de ser promovida a la Escuela Intermedia McCaffrey, ¡y Ava está en sexto grado en Lake Canyon!

He estado colaborando estrechamente con la directora Judi Hayes para garantizar una transición fluida. Creo que construir relaciones es esencial. Los estudiantes alcanzan su máximo potencial cuando cuentan con el apoyo de adultos comprensivos y de la comunidad que los rodea. Mi objetivo es seguir apoyando y desarrollando los increíbles programas que Lake Canyon ofrece a los estudiantes. También me entusiasma invitar a las familias a la escuela con asambleas, noches de eventos, festivales y todas las demás actividades divertidas que hacen de Lake Canyon un lugar tan especial. Juntos, seguiremos enfocándonos en crear una comunidad escolar colaborativa e inclusiva para garantizar que se satisfagan las necesidades académicas, emocionales y sociales de todos los estudiantes.

Agradezco al Distrito Escolar de Galt y a la comunidad de Lake Canyon por su confianza en mi liderazgo. Me apasiona asumir este puesto como su director y estoy encantado de continuar la tradición de excelencia en la Escuela Primaria Lake Canyon. Espero con entusiasmo nuestra reunión de bienvenida el 5 de agosto a las 4:00 p.m. Las clases comienzan oficialmente el 7 de agosto. Sin embargo, no duden en contactarme a jlyman@galt.k12.ca.us en cualquier momento. ¡Espero conocerlos a todos al comenzar este nuevo y emocionante año juntos!

Gracias,

John Lyman

Director de la Escuela Primaria Lake Canyon

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