



Ms. Principal Chun

Ms. Chun grew up right here in the San Fernando Valley, a student of LAUSD. “It’s great to come full circle and now be able to give back,” she says of her role as Principal. Her strong faith in public education drives her dedication and support. She attended CSUN where she earned her undergraduate degree as a Liberal Arts major, minoring in Women's Studies in addition to her teaching credentials.

After 12 years of working in a classroom, becoming a mother and a wiser adult, she developed a whole new level of appreciation for learning. She decided to go back to school for her Master's Degree in Educational Leadership and Policy Studies, as well as her Administrative Credential. This is when her dedication to teach young minds to become lifelong learners came to fruition. Eventually, Ms. Chun plans to go back to school for her Doctorate Degree in Education, but for now, she is a busy administrator and a busy mother of 3! And speaking of being a mom of 3 – Ms. Chun has no time for real hobbies! Hanging with her kids and family during whatever free time is available has become her hobby. They love to take long walks, and eat at places they’ve never tried! But from what we’ve seen so far, Ms. Chun doesn’t have a lot of down time! Her dedication and time spent at our school and with our kids speaks volumes, and we are lucky to have her!

Her administrative philosophy is working towards a visionary goal to move ECES forward in collaboration with all stakeholders. Her educational philosophy is to stay open to new ideas, to stray from the comfort zone, and see possibilities every day. Partnering with parents for support, refining our educational program with staff, and being transparent with our students regarding expectations we have at school is how this philosophy will come to fruition. Students should always understand how what they are learning relates to the real world. Ensuring they make connections is what will allow them to be future scientists, doctors, inventors, entrepreneurs or

whatever they aspire to be. Learning should not be done in isolation, but constantly transferring their knowledge into real life problems and applying their knowledge to find possible solutions - - this is the kind of education she feels we should be offering our students in the 21st century.

When asked what her greatest accomplishments in administration are, Ms. Chun will tell you that any time she spends to make a difference, whether it be establishing rules to make the campus safer, bumping up academic rigor, or implementing more technology in the classroom - - if at the end of her day, her work has made the school a better place, provide more learning opportunities for my students, she is headed in the right direction. Those small changes are what she considers accomplishments.

It's fun to listen to Ms. Chun talk about inspiration. She is one of those people who finds inspiration everywhere and in many! She can be sitting in Pieology reading the quotes on the wall and walk away more inspired. Her own children, her students, her staff, they all inspire her every day. And we are inspired too!