



# DESERT MIRAGE HIGH SCHOOL

## COACHELLA VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Parents and Students:

It has been an honor to serve as Desert Mirage High School principal over the last five years. So it is bittersweet to share that I will be retiring on June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022. I have truly enjoyed my time working with all students, staff, and parents of our community. Our students have always done an outstanding job of completing their studies, participating in sports, clubs, band, drama and volunteering around campus. I can truly say that this is a school with a heart because all students were supported and encouraged by their peers.

Our Rams are amazing!!! They have earned a lot of awards and recognitions during my tenure at DM. In addition our school has also instituted some firsts from offering surfing as a club, to being the first girls team in the valley to make it to CIF, to having the highest sports team GPA, and so many more!!!

I have learned a lot from all of you but the one thing that I will always remember was when you would tell me, "Don't worry. We got this, Miss." Yes, you do got this. Continue making your dreams a reality grounded in the fact that you come from great first teachers, your parents. Remember to always choose what makes you happy and to continue to follow in the path of other great Rams as you continue to be respectful, responsible, and always be your best. I am truly proud of our Rams and know that you will all do amazing things in the future.

With love and respect,



Alma Gonzalez  
DMHS Principal