



GROSSMONT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

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GUHSD Classes Resume on Monday, August 21, 2006

Improvements Continue As Schools Re-open

(EL CAJON, CA) _ Monday, August 21, marks the start of the new school year in the Grossmont Union High School District (GUHSD), as doors will re-open at the following eleven high schools:

Chaparral High School

El Cajon Valley High School

El Capitan High School

Granite Hills High School

Grossmont High School

Monte Vista High School

Mount Miguel High School

Santana High School

Steele Canyon High School

Valhalla High School

West Hills High School

**Helix Charter High School Resumed Classes on August 9.*

We are very excited about the continuing improvements happening at our campuses as we renovate and upgrade our existing facilities. In March, 2004, East County voters approved Proposition H, a \$274 million bond measure to provide critically needed repairs and upgrades to our local East County high schools. Proposition H funds are currently being used to repair aging roofs, upgrade deteriorated plumbing, restrooms, electrical, technology, heating and cooling systems; improve fire safety and security systems; renovate outdated classrooms, science labs and school facilities; and improve buildings and grounds for safety.

During the summer months, infrastructure improvements continued while the installation of 57 temporary classrooms was underway at El Cajon Valley, Helix Charter, Granite Hills and Grossmont High Schools. Superintendent Terry Ryan said, "Even though we are involved in some major construction, we are working closely with principals and construction crews to ensure that our campuses are safe for students, teachers and staff." Ryan added, "We are very excited about the progress we have made to date and thank the East County community for its support."

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