



# ALTADENA ARTS MAGNET

*Many voices. One song. Rising to greatness!*

## School Leadership

**Principal:** Benita Scheckel  
**Instructional Coach:** Hanh Le  
**Rtl Coach:** Dana Hill

## Facts About Our School

**Built in 1903**  
**Grades Served:** Pre-K -5  
**Number of Students:** 275

## School Hours:

**K - 5th Grade:**  
**Mondays:** 7:50am-12:35pm  
**T-F:** 7:50am-2:15

## Pre- Kindergarten Inclusion

**Morning Session:**  
**7:45am-10:45am**  
**Afternoon Session:**  
**11:45pm-2:45pm**

## PreK French DLIP

**Mondays:** 7:50am-12:35pm  
**T-F:** 7:50am-2:15

## After School Options

**Boys and Girls Club**  
**Can Do Kids**  
**Pasadena LEARNs**

## Parent Options

**PTA, SSC, ELAC, AAPC**

## Club Options

**Altadena Cheer, Student Council**

## Community Leadership

**School Board Rep:**  
**Kimberly Kenne**

## What Makes Our School Unique?

**Arts Magnet:** At Altadena Arts Magnet, visual and performing arts are an integral part of a well-rounded education, boosting engagement and achievement. Altadena Arts is one of three schools in PUSD to receive a \$15 million dollar federal arts magnet grant. This grant puts us in the **top 3% in the nation of elementary schools at which students receive instruction in all four art forms: Dance, Music, Theatre and Visual/Graphic.** We integrate arts with academics for a rich, meaningful learning experience for all students.

**French Dual Immersion:** The goal is for students to become bilingual, bi-literate, bi-cognitive, culturally sensitive citizens of the world. With the 90/10 model, our students leave with skills that prepare them for success in a dynamic, competitive global society.

**Supportive Culture:** At Altadena Arts Magnet, **children are taught how to think, not what to think.** Our dedicated teachers use evidence-based approaches including, Balanced Literacy and Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports to: empower students by celebrating each child's unique abilities, perspectives, and interests, provide opportunities for voice and choice, so students feel control over their own learning, promote positive interactions with other students in a diverse, connected learning community, build on students' strengths to increase academic achievement and social-emotional competencies, and to prepare students for college and careers as illustrated in the PUSD Graduate Profile.

## Arts Partnerships:

Every student builds a strong musical foundation through weekly classes taught by EducationThrough Music -Los Angeles (ETM-LA). Students experience fundamentals of dance with AMAN Dance, and students learn classical, modern, and contemporary technique from Lineage Dance. Students learn music composition with Southland Sings, and students in grades 3-5 may participate in band, orchestra and strings with district Music Specialist, Karen Klages.

## School, Community, and Business Partners include:

Parent/Teacher Association, School Site Council, English Learner Advisory Committee, African American Parent Advisory Council, D'Veal Family Services, Healthy Start, NAACP Altadena, Altadena Library, Altadena Historical Society, MonteCedro, Caltech, and the Consulate General of France in Los Angeles, French American Cultural Exchange (FACE) Foundation, and Pasadena Church.

## Attendance Area and Open Enrollment

Altadena Arts is a neighborhood school with an attendance area of families who have the privilege of enrolling based on their home address. Visit [www.pusd.us](http://www.pusd.us) to see if you reside in the attendance area. **Families not in the school's area may apply through the District's annual Open Enrollment process.** Please check [openenrollment.info](http://openenrollment.info) for more information, including how to apply online.