

Greetings,

Welcome to the 2020-21 school year. This letter is to introduce you to the Resource Specialist staff at NMC Middle School. We want you to know that we are available for you and your child. We will advocate for your child's needs and address any issues at the school. This year we will be starting off with distance learning because of the Covid pandemic. We understand that this is new for students, teachers and parents. We are here to help and guide both you and your child!

Get to know our RSP team

Matt Merriam

Hi I'm Mr. Merriam. This is my first year at NMC Middle School. I have a lot of teaching experience starting as a Teaching Assistant when I attended UCSC. I have taught in classrooms from Pre-k through graduate school and been a corporate technology trainer. I helped start a Charter School in the Bronx in New York city where I worked for six years. I wanted to come back to California specifically to teach in Central Coast agricultural communities and moved back two years ago. I have had a few careers including Tech executive, Chef and Research Scientist. I am excited to be here, and look forward to working with your children!

Elise Brabeck

I have been with the Middle School RSP Program for two years. My prior experience includes 17 years with MPUSD as a special education teacher as well as a number of years in general education as a 5th/6th grade classroom teacher in the state of Maine. I pursued my education at Lesley University in Boston, finishing with a Masters in Education. After leaving the East Coast I enrolled at CSUMB to obtain a Special Education Credential. The joy in teaching rests with working with your children.

Maria Camacho

I am Mrs. Camacho, this will be my fourth year teaching at NMCMS as an RSP Teacher. Prior to this, I worked as an RSP Instructional Aide. After graduating from North Monterey County High School, I attended and graduated Hartnell Community College, receiving my Associates Degree. I then continued to CSUMB and received my Bachelors Degree in Liberal Studies, and also earned my Special Education Teaching Credential. Because I have a passion for working with children with special needs, this upcoming Fall I will be pursuing my Masters Degree, with an emphasis in Special Education. It is a privilege to be working in the community where I grew up in. I am excited to give back to my community by working and supporting your children.

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You will also be receiving text messages via Talking Points. Please feel free to contact us with any concerns you might have as this school year progresses.