Dear Parents and Guardians:

Newhall School District is, and has been, recognized as the top performing district in the Santa Clarita Valley, LA County, and the state of California. For the past four years, I have been honored to work closely with the Governing Board, teachers, administrators, and families to support the District's academic, artistic, and social-emotional programs as the Assistant Superintendent of Instructional Services. I am incredibly grateful to serve as your new Superintendent and look forward to working with you to ensure that every student achieves their highest potential and leaves NSD confident for the challenges ahead.

The District's Mission is for students to become global citizens who think critically, solve problems, persevere, embrace diversity in people and viewpoints, and have a passion for learning and the arts. I wholeheartedly embrace this and know that we must all work together as a community of learners to ensure that **ALL STUDENTS** attain mastery of their grade level standards. Our District Local Control and Accountability Plan goals and actions fully align and support this vision.

We look forward to an outstanding 2018-19 school year! We are excited to embark on a new year of learning and growing for students and families. Our entire team looks forward to the opportunity to collaborate with you and am excited about the potential of our joint efforts as we expand what our District does best - taking ownership of each child's learning in our schools and doing whatever it takes to help them achieve mastery.

Sincerely,

Jeff Pelzel, Superintendent of Schools

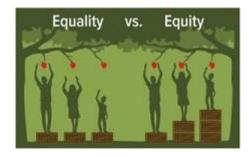


Figure 1 Equality VS. Equity