My name is Celina Morales, and I would like to express my excitement in having your child in my class this year. We have an outstanding year ahead filled with many first-time experiences to explore and learn. I have been in education for 24 years. I am a native of Tucson and graduate of the University of Arizona (GO CATS!) I am married to my husband of 27 years and together we share 4 beautiful babies (well not babies anymore). I love dancing, listening to music, traveling, hiking, and watching sunsets.

My name is Michelle Castro, and I am excited to be working with your child this year. We are going to have a fabulous year full of learning and fun! I have 13 years of early childhood experience, and this will be my 6th year teaching kindergarten at Carrillo. I am a native of Tucson and graduated from Northern Arizona University. On my free time, I enjoy walking my dog, traveling, and spending time with my family.

We are extremely excited to be your child's teacher this year. We work hard at establishing an atmosphere of respect, cooperation, and compassion and are dedicated to provide the best educational experience possible for your child. We look forward to getting to know you at open house or sooner! Please review the following information.

**Newsletters**: Newsletters go out every week. Please read them! We provide information on weekly and monthly events. All our contact information is always available on this weekly notice.

**Homework**: Homework packets will be given out every Monday and turned in on Fridays. Your child will be provided with a homework folder.

**Classroom** :**Environment** It is cold in our rooms. If your child gets cold quickly, please make sure to provide a sweater to keep in his or her backpack for daily use.

**Snacks**: We will need snacks for our children. Since lunch is early in the morning, it would be nice to be able to provide a snack during our afternoon break. If you can provide snacks for our classroom, that would be appreciated. Snacks we would like to have are: fruit, fish crackers, Cheez-itz, pretzels, graham crackers, granola bars, popcorn, Chex mix, etc. Thank you!

Supplies: See attached flyer

**School Hours**: School begins at 8:35a.m. and dismisses at 2:45p.m. (Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday) Wednesday dismissal is 1:45p.m. It is very important that your child be at school and on time every day. Please try to plan appointments afterschool, every minute counts.

**Extended Day**: Extended day is our afterschool extension where your child is enrolled for an additional hour and half in an extracurricular activity. If you have any questions, please contact the office for help, 225-1200.

Lunch: Students will have two options to select from for lunch. We will support them in learning this procedure throughout the first few weeks of school. Please feel free to send them with lunch as well. The first two weeks of school the lines run a little slower so if it's possible home lunch may be a good idea.

**Volunteering**: Please keep in mind that the first two to three weeks are meant for building relationships between student and teacher. After that time frame, please feel free to contact me so we can have a plan of action for parent help in class (something we all love!). We feel it is essential to build parent-teacher relationships.

We are looking forward to getting to know you and your child, Mrs. Celina Morales and Ms. Michelle Castro