FROM TEACHER TO PRINCIPAL

Growing up, Principal Ernest (Ernie) Remillard of Mission Bay High School was just like any other typical American young man, focusing his interest in sports. As the time passed, his passion in learning and sports expanded to coaching and education. After he graduated from college in the east coast, he came to USD for his master degree in education, earning his first teaching position at Roosevelt Middle School as a math teacher, his vision of seeing the master plan of things involved led him to the administrative field, from the Vice Principal and Principal at Pacific Beach Middle School, then becoming the Principal of Mission Bay High School since 2013 till present.
When he first came to MBH, Ernie recognized that as a newcomer, he must respect and value the tradition on site. He noticed that there seemed to be a gap between MBH and its local neighborhood community. Soon, he launched a few programs to draw the neighborhood into MBH campus, such as the Future Buc Night, regular meetings with parents to showcase the streamline pathway K–12 for many programs, especially the Mandarin Immersion Program, and establishing communication with administrative team showing the fabrics necessary of connection.

Having the unique experience as the Principal at both PBMS and MBH, Ernie recognized the urgency of sprucing up his own knowledge in Chinese language and culture. He, along with Principal Kimberly Meng of PBMS and Principal Aida Hernandez of Barnard Asian Pacific Language Academy, went on a delegation tour to China in November, 2015. The first-hand knowledge and experience only strengthens his commitment to expand the teaching resources in preparation for the 9th grade students from Mandarin immersion program since kindergarten to arrive at MBH in 2018/19.