



UTTERBACK

Arts & Academics in Action

TUCSON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

UTTERBACK MAGNET MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Dear Parents, Students and Community Members,

As part of the TUSD Magnet program, we have begun some initiatives to improve our magnet school and best promote our magnet program. Last month at Utterback, we began an upgrading process in the front of the school which included our students planting several new trees donated by *Trees for Tucson*. By spring, our students will be planting additional landscape materials purchased with funds donated to our tax credit budget, by a private donor.

Over the winter break, through the TUSD Secondary Schools Office, Utterback Middle School will be receiving further upgrades to the interior of the school. Utterback's halls will be repainted, which means the mural art that has decorated these halls will no longer be present. In preparation for this painting upgrade, action is being taken to *memorialize* these pieces of Utterback's culture. This week, members from the TUSD Magnet Office will be photographing the murals so they will be permanently remembered. These photographs will be collected into a portfolio and a slide show of the murals will be created. Eventually, some of these photos of the murals will be framed and mounted and hanging in Utterback's hallways. The slide show will be available for playing in our front lobby on performance nights.

Please join us in celebrating the preservation of our past culture while we continue to create the cultural fibers of our future!

Respectfully,

Cindy Mady
Principal