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## New Murals at Valley View Elementary School

**Pleasanton, California**— At Valley View Elementary School, it is a tradition for the fifth grade classes to give a parting gift to the school as a "thanks" for 6 wonderful years of instruction. In the past, the gifts have been benches, flower planters, or something to beautify school grounds.

This past school year, Valley View's fifth grade class of 2014 collected donations to paint two murals on the playground's ball walls. The donations were used to hire Foothill graduate Tania Kim to design, paint and help supervise the project. Tania was able to pay her fall tuition at Las Positas College with her stipend while Amador seniors Erica Meier, Katie Shigemoto, and Isabel Ivey volunteered to help paint the murals in exchange for service hours for their senior year requirements.

"This has been such a wonderful project for everyone involved," said Lennis Sadler, fifth grade teacher at Valley View. "We love to recognize and celebrate the students involved for all their efforts as well as the class of 2014 for their beautiful gift."

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Pic 1: PUSD High school students painting a mural for Valley View Elementary.



Pic 2: From L to R: Valley View 5th grade teacher Lennis Sadler, Foothill graduate Tania Kim, Amador Seniors Isabel Ivey, Katie Shigemoto, and Erica Meier