

# About

## Our Mission Statement

Placing truth, accuracy, and objectivity first.

## *The Mirador Editorial Policy*

*The Mirador staff believes that as preservers of democracy, our schools shall protect, encourage and enhance free speech and the exchange of ideas as a means of protecting our American way of life.*

The *Mirador* is the official student-produced medium of news and information published by Miramonte *Mirador* staff writers protected and bound to the principles of the First Amendment and other protections and limitations afforded by the Constitution and the various laws and court decisions implementing those principles. California is a New Voices state that ensures free speech rights to journalism students in public schools and colleges.

*The Mirador* has been established as a designated public forum for student editors to inform and educate their readers as well as for the discussion of issues of concern to their audience. It will not be reviewed or restrained by school officials prior to publication or distribution.

Because school officials do not engage in prior review, and the content of *The Mirador* is determined by and reflects only the views of the student staff and not school officials or the school itself, its student editorial board and responsible student staff members assume responsibility for the content of the publication.

*The Mirador* will not publish any material determined by student editors or the student editorial board to be unprotected, that is, material that is libelous, obscene,

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