My name is Ellen Luu and I am a Resource Specialist Teacher at La Rosa.  I am entering my 6th year teaching in Special Education and 2nd year at Temple City.  I’ve always wanted to work with students in some capacity. I received my Masters and Multiple Subject Credential at USC.  After struggling to find a job in general education, I worked as an aide in the special education classroom and an intervention teacher.  It was these experiences that led me back to get my Education Specialist Credential in Mild/Moderate Disabilities through UCLA. I began teaching in the resource setting at a middle school, transitioned to elementary resource, elementary special day class, elementary autism class, and back to resource.  I feel like I’ve had my share of experiences in the “Special Education world” and by far, my most enjoyable experience has been here, in Temple City. I feel at home here and valued as an educator. I love what I do and part of that is being able to support students and help them feel successful, important, and valued.  Working closely with general education teachers to accomplish this is very important to me. I have always believed that as a resource teacher, I am there to support both students AND teachers. I consider myself a life-long learner and am always looking to better myself. Last month, I was honored to represent La Rosa at the Los Angeles Clippers game for their Teacher Appreciation Program.  Outside of work, I enjoy traveling and being outdoors (when it’s not cold). My husband and I are new(ish) homeowners so a lot of our time is spent working on home improvements. We love dogs, food, binging shows, and all things sports!