## JOANNE LIN-HENING

**Assistant Principal** 

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Ms. Lin began working at Aspire in 2013 as an 8<sup>th</sup> grade English teacher at Aspire Golden State Prep in Oakland, and served as an Assistant Principal there for the past two years. Her parents immigrated from Taiwan to San Diego, California where Ms. Lin was born and raised. In high school, Ms. Lin was very active with extracurricular activities, including working summers as a camp counselor. It was as a camp counselor that she discovered a love of working with young people. She graduated from UCLA with a degree in History/Art History and a minor in Political Science. After college, she decided to pursue her love of working with young people and began teaching 6<sup>th</sup> grade Humanities and 6<sup>th</sup> grade Math in East San Jose. Ms. Lin's passion in the classroom is supporting students who struggle with reading to find love and joy in reading. She believes that reading opens the doors to lifelong learning, and that reading is an act of power. She is deeply honored to join the Cal Prep community, and is looking forward to watching the middle school students grow into strong, confident high school students!