Ellen Ochoa Elementary
Building Dedication

Monday, October 23, 2017
Tulsa, Oklahoma
10 a.m.
Union Public Schools Presents

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Presentation of Colors — Girl Scout Troop 59
Hayley Ramirez Zeigler
Alexia Eastham
Denise Duke
Hannah Ramirez Zeigler

Pledge of Allegiance — Eric Dutcher, 5th Grade Student

National Anthem — Twytinna Gardner, Ellen Ochoa Elementary Counselor

Welcome — Rita Long, Principal

Greeting — Dr. Kirt Hartzler, Superintendent

Proclamation — Jonathan Townsend, Assistant to the Mayor for Community Development and Policy, on behalf of Mayor G.T. Bynum, City of Tulsa

This Land is Your Land — Ochoa Elementary Choir performance
Introduction: Xochitl Peralta, 5th Grade Student

Remarks/Presentation — Dr. Ellen Ochoa, Director, Johnson Space Center

Close — Kristianna Choice, 4th Grade Student

A heartfelt thank you to the Union High School drumline, cheer, pom and dance students . . . we appreciate you! Thanks, also, to the Ochoa Elementary student ambassadors for their assistance with the program, and to Dr. Ellen Ochoa and the wonderful staff of NASA’s Johnson Space Center for their help and support.
About Dr. Ellen Ochoa

Born on May 10, 1958, in Los Angeles, California, Dr. Ellen Ochoa received her Master of Science and doctorate degrees at Stanford University. She was selected by NASA in 1990, and in 1991 became the world’s first Hispanic female astronaut. A mission specialist and flight engineer, Ochoa is a veteran of four space flights, having logged more than 950 hours in space.

Her technical assignments have included flight software and computer hardware development and robotics development, testing, and training. She has served as Assistant for Space Station to the Chief of the Astronaut Office, lead spacecraft communicator in Mission Control, and Acting Deputy Chief of the Astronaut Office. She currently serves as Director of NASA’s Johnson Space Center in Houston, and she was inducted into the U.S. Astronaut Hall of Fame on May 19, 2017.

Ochoa graduated from Grossmont High School in La Mesa, California, in 1975 (valedictorian), and received a Bachelor of Science degree in physics from San Diego State University in 1980 (valedictorian). She then went on to attend Stanford University, where she received a Master of Science degree (1981) and a doctorate (1985), both in electrical engineering.