

Vineland Elementary School District

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1 Elementary School
1 Middle School
Enrollment 894



Mission Statement

In a cooperative effort between students, staff, parents and community, Vineland School District will provide a caring, safe, and healthy environment where students may strive to reach their maximum potential in academic, intellectual, social, emotional, and physical skills. By integrating cultures through a common core of knowledge, students will have the opportunity to become positive, contributing members of society.

District Profile

The Vineland School District located sixteen miles Southeast of Bakersfield is a rural two School District serving approximately 890 students in an area known as Weedpatch. The School District encompasses thirty-three square miles, which is primarily an agricultural area. The District student population is 95% Hispanic with up to 97% of its students qualifying for free and reduced meals. Approximately 65% of the combined schools students are identified as English Language Learners. Both schools met their API growth goals under the State STAR testing program conducted in the Spring of 2003. The district is currently participating in the High Priority schools Program which provides grants to our school sites for implementation of their single school plans. The District also formed the Lamont/Weedpatch Neighborhood Partnership to provide coordinated services to the two communities through a Healthy Start Grant, which expired in 1997. The District has continued to offer the Program Services through grants and partnerships with local services providers. In addition to Core Student Programs, after school, evening and summer programs are offered to K-8th grade students and district parents. The District also has a federal seasonal migrant farm workers camp located next to Sunset School. The Camp is in the process of a complete renovation but should bring a seasonal influx of 125 migrant students in April 2004. This influx of students provides an additional challenge for the district and the students as they often only attend from April through July and then leave the state. Approximately sixty percent of district students and their parents qualify for services through the district migrant programs. Much of the employment in the area is seasonal farm labor related.