

Palo Verde Union Elementary School District

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K-8 Enrollment 531



Profile

Palo Verde Union Elementary is a rural, single-site school district encompassing approximately 20 square miles, located just southwest of the city of Tulare. Approximately 580 pre-school through eighth grade students are served. Our teachers and staff believe that education is a shared responsibility — shared by the school, the parents, and the students. By working together we can make our vision a reality, whereby all students perform at their maximum potential, and where differences of language, culture, economics, and abilities are celebrated, and become sources of strength for our students.

Our school community has worked hard to provide our students with the very best education possible. All of this hard work and dedication has paid off in substantial academic success. We began the year with some fantastic news when the results of the California Standards Test were publicized. Palo Verde exceeded its Adequately Yearly Progress (AYP) and its Academic Performance Index (API) goals. Board members, staff, parents and students are committed to continued improvement and work together to make Palo Verde a distinguished school.

Palo Verde School has consistently met or exceeded its API and AYP goals. Our Academic Performance Index (API) scores have steadily risen: from 532 in 1999 to 767 in 2007, an increase of 235 points in the past eight years and an average of 30 points per year. During that same period, our Statewide Ranking has risen from 3 to 6 and when compared to similar schools our ranking has increased from a 2 to 9. In 2004 we were among two schools in the state and 34 schools nationwide to receive the Title I Nationally Distinguished School Award. That same year we also received the California Academic Achievement Award.