



Pinole Middle School SPARC 2017

Support Personnel Accountability Report Card

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Principal: Denise Van Hook **District:** WCCUSD

Grade Levels: 7,8 **Enrollment:** 548

Principal's Message

The vision of Pinole Middle School is to be a safe, welcoming and engaging environment that promotes a sense of community among students, faculty and parents. All members are accountable for their role in maintaining a healthy, academically challenging and positive school environment. The Student Support Team (SST) at Pinole Middle School plays a crucial role in fostering the qualities of respect, safety and responsibility as well as helping to prepare students to become college and career ready. Pinole Middle School is dedicated to academic success and school safety for all students. This Support Personnel Accountability Report Card has been implemented into the school site plan. This year the two focus for improvement goals will be to 1) establish technical academies to mirror the feeder high schools and 2) to increase the number of students able to identify at least one college and one career interest. The 2016-2017 school year offered three Gateway to Technology classes and two Multi-Media elective classes and saw both 7th graders and 8th graders go to the computer lab to explore college and career websites including My Road, College Board and Make Money Choices.

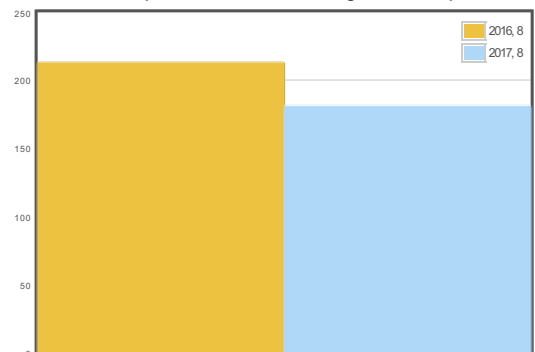
Career and College Readiness Student Outcomes

At Pinole Middle School, we want our students on a path of self-determination that leads to success of their choosing. To that end, we support our students by providing Computer-assisted Career Planning Programs to help them investigate their future opportunities, and teach them test taking skills to prepare them for high stakes tests including the SAT, ACT, and AP exams, on which their success will provide further College and Career Opportunities.

Career Readiness

181 out of 253 or 72% of our 8th grade English students at Pinole Middle School took a Career Exploration class via their English 8 classes in 2017. This class is taught by the Contra Costa College counselors. The goal of the class is to help students gain an understanding of how education and careers relate. Major activities include career inventories, career research, career presentations and essays. Out of these 181 students enrolled in the class, 100% of them were able to identify at least two career interests after the 8th graders explored careers in Career Cruising. In the year 2016, 213 out of 246 or 86% of our 8th grade English students took a Career Exploration class, with 100% of them also being able to identify at least two career interests.

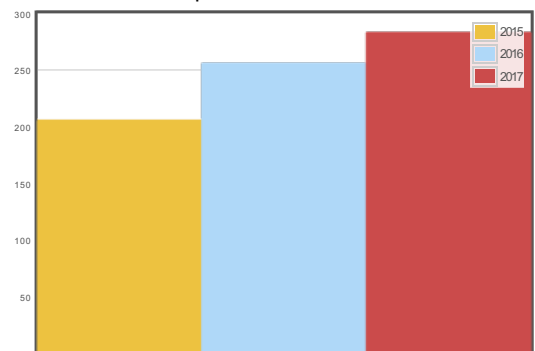
Career Exploration Module/Program Completed



College Readiness

283 Pinole Middle School 8th graders took the PSAT in October of 2017. This will be the first of three tests in the family of the SAT's that these current 8th graders will take. The students learned how to take a timed test, how to take a test in a larger group setting, how to take a test for which they have not specifically studied, and how to use reasoning when answering questions they did not necessarily know the answers to. 283 (98%) 8th graders took the PSAT in 2017 compared to 256 (91%) in 2016 and 206 (86%) who took the ReadStep test in 2015.

Study and/or Test Taking Skills Acquired/Demonstrated



21st Century Skills

Members of the SST supervise student leadership groups that include Leadership where students develop teamwork, self-management and project management skills while working on dances, rallies, and school wide fund raisers. Tobacco Use Prevention Education (TUPE) promotes the health and safety by planning rallies and designing posters that spread the no bullying message. Roughly 100 students out of 548 are enrolled in the after-school tutoring and sports program. Additionally, about 23% of all students participate in extra-curricular activities outside of what the school provides. SST members provide tutoring and coaching for the students in our after-school program.

Additional Achievements:

- 100% students are invited to attend Career Fair on May 18, 2017
- 72% students were exposed to Career Exploration Class
- 98% of our 8th graders took the PSAT

Career and College Readiness School Site Programs and Community Partnerships

At Pinole Middle School, our work towards College and Career Readiness is made possible in part by our strong partnerships with other educational institutions, community organizations and businesses, and government offices. We utilize both school site programs and community partnerships that offer students a wide array of services and opportunities. A partial list of our programs and partners is shown below, including collaboration with UC Berkeley, an engineering program supported by Chevron, and online learning opportunities through College Board.

School Site Programs

- After-school tutoring for math, ELD, homework help, and all-purpose tutoring
- Morning Math is a tutoring program offered three times a week before school
- Gateway to Technology is an engineering elective offered, and is funded by Chevron
- School clubs for Leadership, Art, TUPE, and Anime
- After school sports include basketball, soccer, and track and field for both boys and girls
- My Road, California CareerZone, Make Money Choices are programs used by the 7th grade students

Community Partnerships

- Career Exploration Class include Contra Costa Community College lessons on college and careers
- Get Real Class include Contra Costa Health Services lessons on sexual health education
- Project Success include drug and alcohol prevention programs via individual and peer group mentoring

Student Support Team

Our Student Support Team is aligned with state and national initiatives and members of professional organizations or associations. We believe in providing an equitable student support system that includes personal/social skill development along with career and college readiness.

Position	Years	Qualifications
Principal	9	Master's Degree and ASC
Vice Principal	4	Master's Degree and ASC
Restorative Justice Coordinator	16	Bachelor's Degree
School Psychologist	15	Doctor of Education and LMFT

Position	Years	Qualifications
Counselors (2)	18	Master's Degrees and PPSC
Registered Clinical Counselor	10	Master's Degree and LMFT
School Resource Officer	3	Bachelor's Criminal Justice, Police Academy

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