

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES
Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District

SCHOOL SAFETY & CLIMATE COMMITTEE
333 South Beaudry Avenue, Board Room, Los Angeles, CA 90017
3:00 p.m., Thursday March 27, 2025

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Ms. Karla Griego, Board Member

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AGENDA

I. Welcome and Opening Remarks Tanya Ortiz Franklin
Chairperson

II. Presentations

1. School Operations Safety & School Climate Update Alfonzo Webb
Senior Director, School Climate Culture and Safety
Office of Chief of School Operations

2. Climate Improvements: School Site Presentations Jessica Trejo
Principal
Pinewood Ave Elementary School

Maria Gomez
Coordinator
Pinewood Ave Elementary School

Dr. Steve Martinez
Principal
Burroughs Middle School

Debbie Lee
Assistant Principal
Burroughs Middle School

Angela Knapp
Instructional Coach
Burroughs Middle School

Amanda Hernandez
School Climate Advocate
Burroughs Middle School

III. Closing RemarksTanya Ortiz Franklin
Chairperson

IV. Public Comment

V. Adjournment

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TAB 1



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School Safety and Climate Committee Meeting

March 27, 2025

March 2025 Division of School Operations

Districtwide Overall Incident Report Counts	2022-2023 (through Feb 28 th)	2023-2024 (through Feb 28 th)	2024-2025 (through Feb 28 th)
Fighting/Physical Aggression	3,069	4,307	4,319
Threat	1,050	1,215	1,283
Illegal/Controlled Substance	2,241	3,173	2,960
Weapons	854	842	690

March 2025 Division of School Operations

Districtwide On-Campus Incident Report Counts*	2022-2023 (through Feb 28 th)	2023-2024 (through Feb 28 th)	2024-2025 (through Feb 28 th)
Fighting/Physical Aggression	2,653	3,777	3,847
Threat	990	1,145	1,211
Illegal/Controlled Substance	1,946	2,743	2,524
Weapons	766	727	606

*Incidents designated as occurring "On Campus".

March 2025 Division of School Operations

Districtwide Overall Incident Reports to Enrollment %*	2022-2023 (through Feb 28 th)	2023-2024 (through Feb 28 th)	2024-2025 (through Feb 28 th)
Fighting/Physical Aggression	0.71%	1.02%	1.05%
Threat	0.24%	0.29%	0.31%
Illegal/Controlled Substance	0.52%	0.75%	0.72%
Weapons	0.20%	0.20%	0.17%

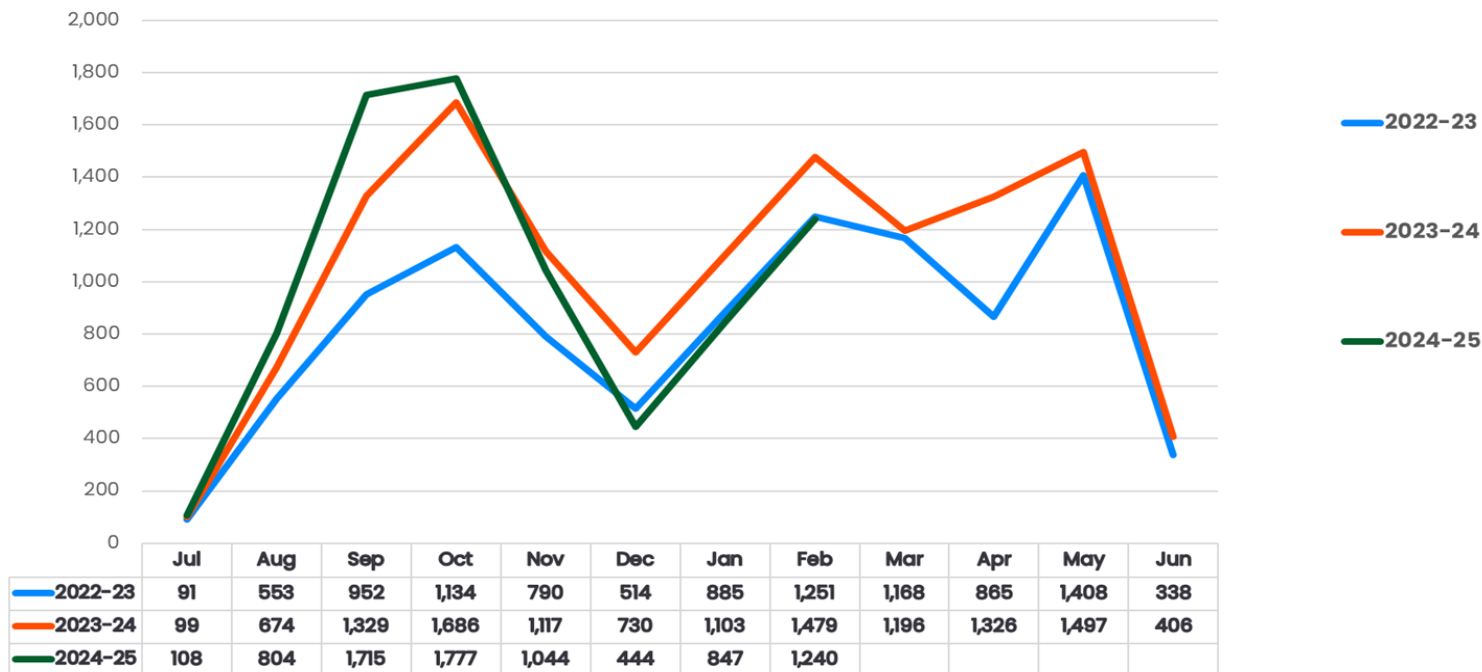
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Districtwide On-Campus Incident Reports to Enrollment %*	2022-2023 (through Feb 28 th)	2023-2024 (through Feb 28 th)	2024-2025 (through Feb 28 th)
Fighting/Physical Aggression	0.62%	0.89%	0.94%
Threat	0.23%	0.27%	0.29%
Illegal/Controlled Substance	0.45%	0.65%	0.61%
Weapons	0.18%	0.17%	0.15%

*Incidents designated as occurring "On Campus".

Monthly Reports

On-Campus Safety Related Incident Reports by Month



March 2025 Trends & Supports

- **Monthly review of incident report counts with AOOs**
- **Safety reminders sent out on monthly basis**
- **Enhanced safety measures during events (e.g., prom, football games)**
- **Trends in October, February, and May**
 - **Ongoing analysis of causes for increase in reports**
 - **Additional support from Ops Coordinators during this time for high-need schools**

TAB 2



School Safety and Climate: Building a Positive Learning Environment

Presented By Jessica Trejo

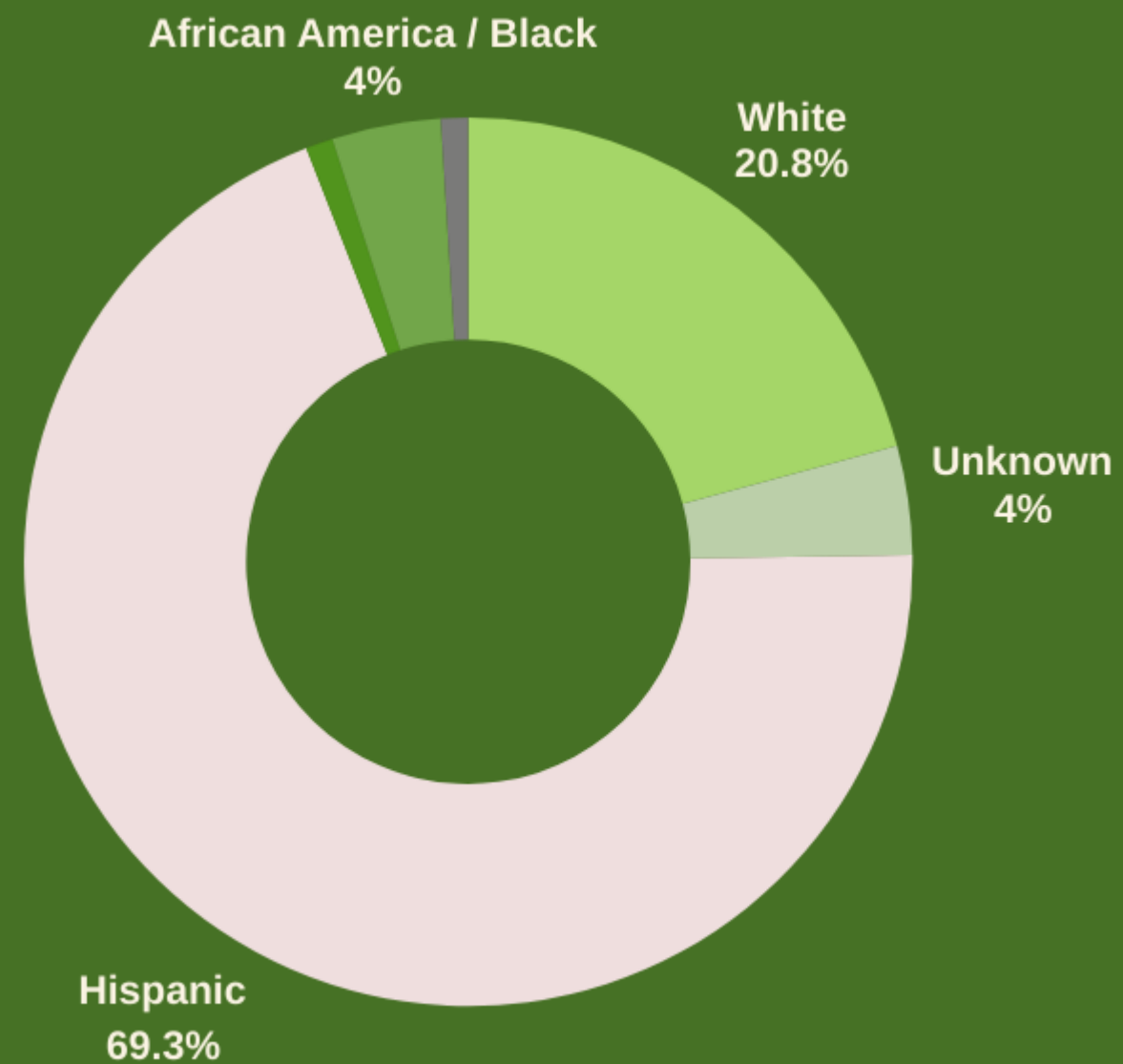
Welcome to Our School Community

- Enrollment: 228
- New Kinder Dual Language Spanish Program
- Title I : 95.63%
- Special Education: 23%
 - RSP
 - Speech
 - Autism Core
 - Autism Alternate

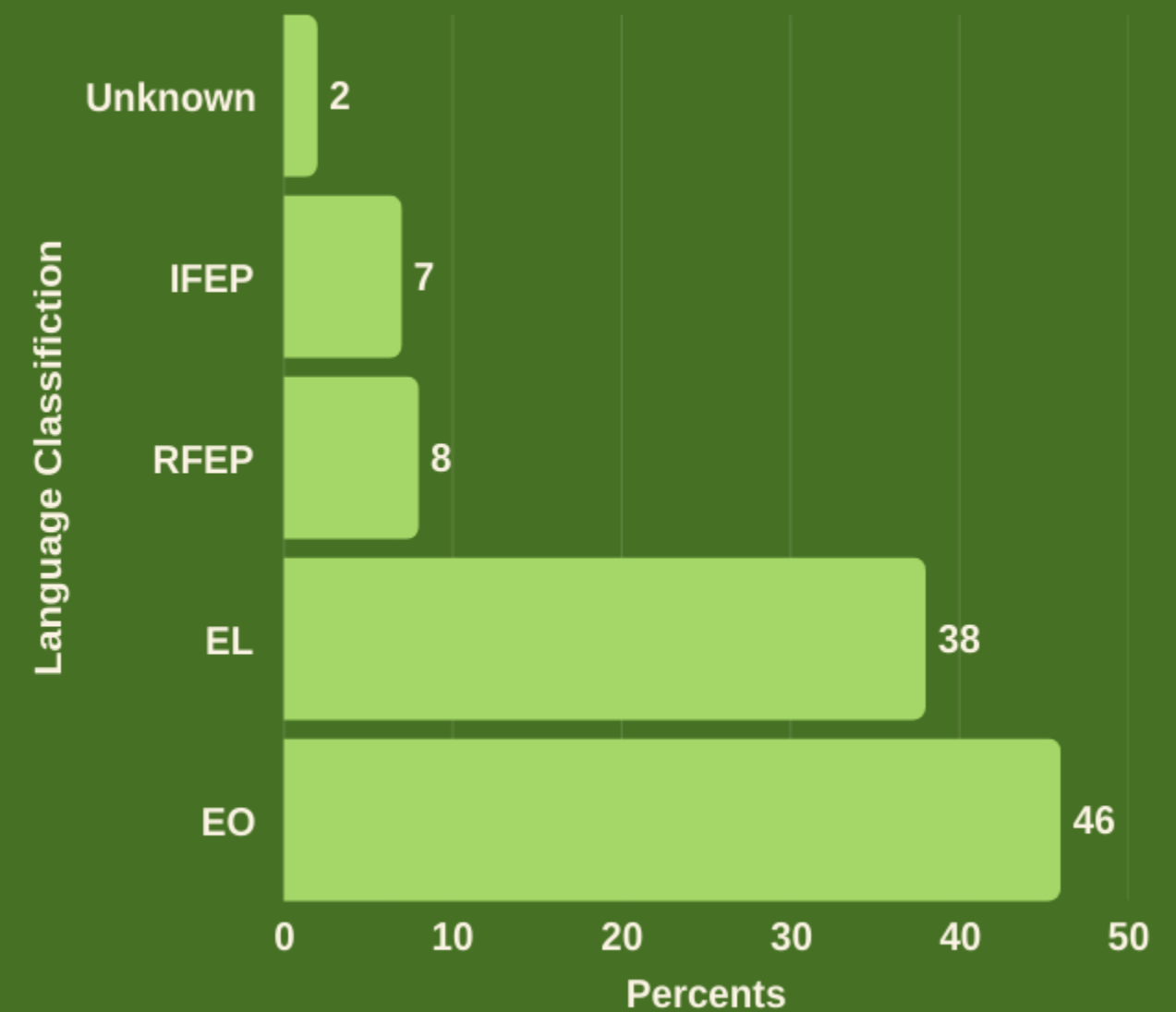


Student Demographics

Ethnicity



Language Classification



School Safety Data Overview

%22-23	%23-24	%24-25	Change 24v25
3.94%	9.47%	0.92%	-8.55%

Altercation (Verbal), Bullying, Fighting/Physical Aggression, Hate Crime, Illegal/Controlled Substances, Intergroup Conflict, Lockdown, Sex Crime/Sexual Behavior-Inappropriate, Sexual Harrassment, Threat, Trespass, and Weapons



Current Safety and Climate Initiatives

- Foster Positive Relationships
- Foster a Culture of Respect, Inclusion, and Belonging
- Enhance Mental Health Support



Foster Positive Relationships

- Staff
 - Good Things
 - Self-Care
- Students
 - Personal Connections with students
 - Data Chats
- Parents
 - Positive Home Visits
 - Positive Phone Calls Home



Foster a Culture of Respect, Inclusion, and Belonging

- Staff
 - PBIS Resources and Implementation
 - Home Visit Initiative



Foster a Culture of Respect, Inclusion, and Belonging

- Students
 - Panda Buck / We Bucks
 - Panda Post
 - Student Incentive Programs
 - Field Trips
 - Clubs



Panda Post

LACMA



*Happy
Hanukkah*

**MERRY
MERRY
MERRY
Christmas**



Foster a Culture of Respect, Inclusion, and Belonging

- Parents
 - Parent Education Classes
 - Transparent Communication Channels
 - Family Cultural Events



Enhancing Mental Health Support

- Staff
 - Wellness
- Students
 - PSW / PSA
 - ILT Weekly Meeting
 - MOU – Counseling 4 Kids
- Parents
 - Workshops



Board Support & Scale for Success

- Resource Allocation
- Community Partnership Expansion
- Infrastructure Improvements



Pinewood Avenue Elementary

Thank You



JOHN BURROUGHS MIDDLE SCHOOL



BEST
MIDDLE SCHOOLS
U.S. News
& WORLD REPORT
PUBLIC
2025



**EDUCATIONAL RESULTS PARTNERSHIP**

 **HONOR ROLL**

2023 Honor Roll List

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90250
91602 90250 90019 90044 90029 90010
90035 90015 90280 90032 90010
90056 90007 90056 91601 91746 90033
90260 90061 91402 90028 90068 90029 90010 90048 90001
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Incident Data

**Operational
Effectiveness**

			# of Incidents Reported in ISTAR			
BD	Cost Ctr	Name	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	SENI
1	1807501	BURROUGHS MS	21	33	12	5 - LOWEST



2022-2023 School Year

- Cell Phone Policy, no phones at lunch, classrooms, common areas
- Homeroom Visits
- Positive Behavioral Interventions and Support (PBIS) Assemblies



Change over Time

Joy and Wellness

2023-2024 School Year

- JB Way Campaign launched
- JB Way Assemblies
- Homeroom Visits
- Weekly Raffles
- Attendance Incentives
- Game Room at Lunch
- Movies in Auditorium at Lunch
- Clubs at lunch & After School Clubs
- LAUSD Food Truck
- College Shirt Fridays
- Tiered Fidelity Inventory
- Electronics Policy updated to include by LSLC

2024-2025 School Year

- JB Way Campaign expanded
- LAUSD Food Truck
- Electronics Policy Cell Phone Pockets
- Teachers vs. Students Games
- After School Clubs (D&D, Robotics)
- Attendance Incentives
- Schedule change to three lunches
- Counselor Awards

Lunch Activities Expanded

- Game Room
- Clubs
 - ★ Art
 - ★ Christian
 - ★ GSA
 - ★ Minecraft
 - ★ Chess
 - ★ D&D
- Weight Room
- Quiet Space
- Friday Fun Activities
- Basketball

Friday Fun Activities



College Shirt Fridays

Student Vs. Teacher Games



FOOD TRUCK

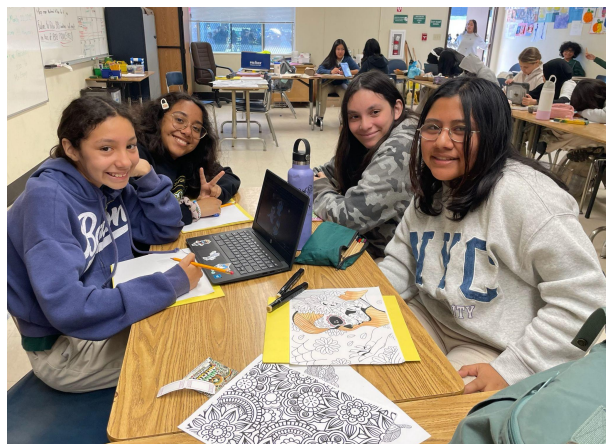


RECOGNITION



ART SHOW

Art Club

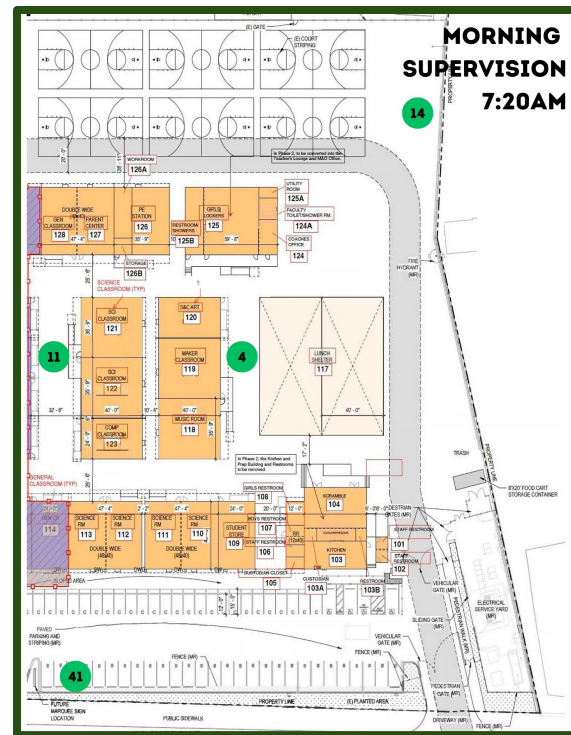
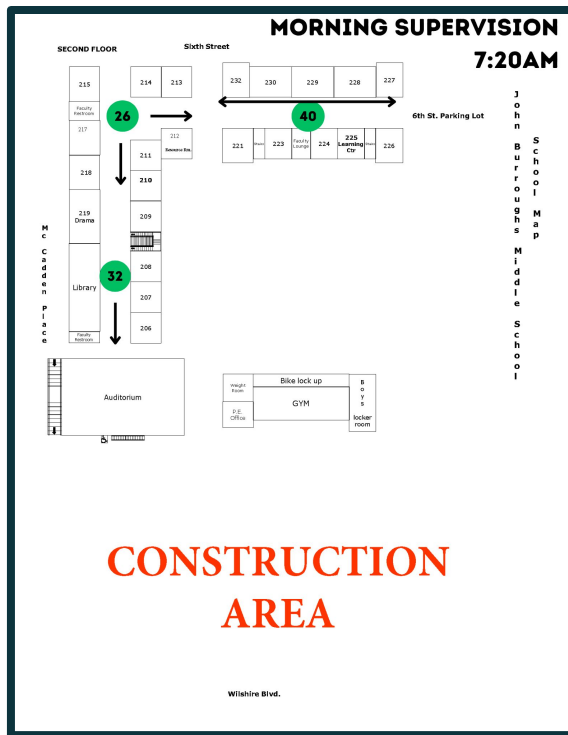


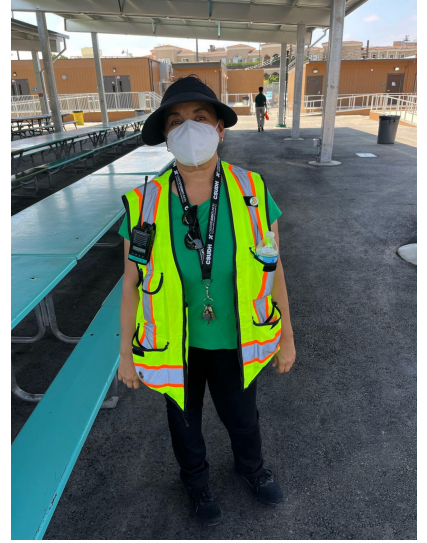
Attendance Incentives



Kindness Week

Operational Effectiveness





Best Practices

- Consistency
- Clear Expectations
- Emphasis on Positive Reinforcement
- Supervision throughout the day (passing periods, lunch, before and after school)
- Restroom Coverage
- Family Involvement
 - Systems of Support Counselor
 - Healthy Start Coordinator
 - PSA
 - PSW

Outside Agencies Onsite

- Social Emotional Supports
- Share and Care through Cedars Sinai
 - Parent Workshops
 - Group Art therapy for students
 - Individual Counseling
- Vista Del Mar Counseling
- Southern California Counseling Center
- Tobacco Use Prevention Education (TUPE)
 - Individual and Group
- Hazel Health (Telehealth)

Joy and Wellness

Engagement and
Collaboration

TIER 1, 2, & 3



Share & Care





Recognizing Diverse Cultures

Spanish Dual Language

Korean Dual Language

French Elective

Spanish Electives

- ❑ Spanish 1
- ❑ Spanish 2
 - ❑ Spanish for Spanish Speakers

Ethnic Studies

★ **Biliteracy Awards- 136 students to receive Seal of Biliteracy Award**

Drama Program





ALL GIRLS ROBOTICS CLUB



Music Program



- Jazz Ensemble

- Band
- Orchestra



National Junior Honor Society



Academic Pentathlon



2024



1st Place - 7th



1st Place - 8th



4th Place -

Nationwide



Coach of the Year

The JB Way

The combination of operational efficiency, quality instruction, and opportunities for student engagement have lowered incident rates. This has also enhanced safety on our campus, creating a culture of success for our students.

State and National Recognition

**Academic
Excellence**

- National Magnet “School of Distinction Award” - 2025
- US News “Best Middle School” Designation - 2025
- National “Schools To Watch Award” - 2023 & 2019
- CA PBIS Silver Award - 2023
- National Magnet “School of Excellence Award” - 2023 & 2018
- National ERP Honor Roll - 2023, 2020, 2018
- CA Gold Ribbon - 2017
- CA Title 1 Academic Achievement Award - 2017



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Glows-how the District supports our school

- **MOU Partnerships** (e-Works Mentoring Program, Share and Care, Social Emotional Support)
- PSW Support (Tier 2 and Tier 3)
- PSA Support (Tier 2 and Tier 3)
- Arts Funding
- Local District Operations Coordinator On Call Support

Grows

- Innovative SEL Supports such as school based dog therapy and other outside agencies (For Tier 2 and Tier 3)
- Increase Allocations for Campus Aides
- Fidelity of implementation to frameworks (PBIS, TFI)
- Possible MOU with Chicago School of Professional Psychology (For Tier 2 and Tier 3)

Grows

- Increase attendance incentive funding
- Flexibility with use of the P-Card
- Continue to providing funding for PSW and PSA

Parents and Students

Questions & Answers