



**Principals' Report  
California Connections Academy Schools  
2022-23**

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**SITE REPORTS**

**Northern Region:  
Kara Mannix, High School Principal  
Site Administrator for Monterey Bay, North Bay, and Northern  
California**

The spring semester is flying by as it always does! The end of the semester brings both the crunch time of finishing up courses as well as a frenzy of super fun in-person activities. We had an amazing prom at the Disneyland Hotel. Prom had an 80's theme which was definitely embraced by our enthusiastic staff. We had around 300 students in attendance, making this by far our biggest prom yet! Coming up we have Grad Nights in both Northern and Southern California where our graduating seniors get to spend late night hours in amusement parks with their fellow graduates. Finally, we are so excited to be looking ahead to graduation, and will be hosting Northern Graduation in a new location- on the UC Berkeley campus. Southern Graduation will be returning this year to UC Irvine and we are thrilled to be able to celebrate in person with our families and graduates.



**Central Region:**  
**Marcus White, Elementary Principal**  
**Site Administrator for Central and Central Coast**

Greetings From Elementary,

It is such an exciting time of the year. I am so proud of our staff and the way we have supported our families and each other throughout the state testing season. We have worked very hard to make sure the testing sites are very welcoming and supportive. Additionally, our students are working extremely hard to make sure they finish their classwork before the end of the school year.

**Southern Region:**  
**Heather Tamayo, Middle School Principal**  
**Site Administrator of Southern California**

As we work to wrap things up, we still have many exciting events planned. Middle School will be hosting a Knott's Berry Farm day for our 8th grade students. At this point we have 50+ students signed up for this inaugural offering. Additionally, we are offering opportunities for our 8th grade families to pick up their promotion certificates, take pictures, and in the case of our Southern California region, have the ability to come to a promotion streaming party. We will be streaming the virtual ceremony at the Norman P. Murray Center in Mission Viejo, on Thursday, June 22 @6pm, the same time that it will stream for all families. Southern California families will be able to come together and celebrate their students, enjoy a meal, and watch the exceptional promotion video that we create each year. Our Northern California families will have the opportunity to come to the Ripon office and pick up their promotion certificates, enjoy photos and mingle with teachers, on Wednesday, June 21, from 12-2pm. We continue to look for ways to increase in-person offerings for our Northern California families, providing them with the same opportunities that we are able to offer down South.



**Month for Report: April  
Enrollment Update**

		DATA as of May 12, 2023						
		SoCal	NorCal	Central Valley	North Bay	Central Coast	Monterey Bay	All CalCA
2022-2023	Enrolled	4919	1716	650	140	106	468	7999
2023-2024	Approved	282	122	80	8	11	27	530
	Pre-Approved	629	266	146	31	24	84	1108
	Applicant	1430	509	359	86	81	140	2605

## Field Trips

### Upcoming Field Trips

#### Northern Region - Monterey Bay, North Bay and Ripon

Sacramento Fire Station - Sacramento, CA - 6/12/23

- 16 Attendees (as of 5/12/23)
- Cost: Free
- Guided tour through a working fire station followed by games in the local park.

NorCal End of Year Festival - Pleasanton, CA - 5/31/23

- Attendees, Cost, and Events TBD

#### Central Region - Central and Central Coast

Central End of Year Festival - Pismo Beach, CA - 6/9/23

- Attendees, Costs, and Events TBD

#### Southern Region - Southern California

SoCal End of Year Festival - Costa Mesa, CA - 6/1/23

- Attendees, Costs, and Events TBD

### Upcoming Virtual Field Trips

None scheduled at this time due to CAASPP and EOY Festival.



## **Total Attendance\* for Recent Field Trips:**

\*Includes students, staff, adults, and non-CA students

### **Recent Field Trips**

Northern Region - Monterey Bay, North Bay and Ripon

N/A

Central Region - Central and Central Coast

04/20/23: CALM Museum - Kern County, CA

- 22 students attended (53 total attendees)
- Cost for entire field trip(not covered by donations): \$173
- Engagement Activity: Scavenger hunt and train ride

Southern Region - Southern California

04/03/23: Getty Center - Los Angeles, CA

- 18 students attended (36 total attendees)
- Cost for entire field trip (not covered by donations): \$63.06
- Engagement Activity: Favorite piece of art and why

### **Recent Virtual Field Trips**

4/4/2023: Ford's Theater Presents: Investigating Lincoln's Assassination with Detective McDevitt

- 8 students attended (12 total attendees)
- Cost for entire field trip(not covered by donations): \$0
- Engagement Activity: Intro into what to expect on the trip, plus short video on the assassination of President Lincoln

04/20/23: LA Museum of the Holocaust - Docent Tour and Survivor Talk

- 70 students attended (112 total attendees)
- Cost for entire field trip(not covered by donations): \$0
- Engagement Activity: Preview of the trip, video showing a drone view of Auschwitz Concentration Camp, discussed this



## **Outreach Update**

We are happy to share that we have 20 students who have been named recipients of the President's Volunteer Service Award! This award, which is overseen by AmeriCorp and the Points of Light Foundation, was given for extensive community service from April 1, 2022 through March 31, 2023. This was the second year we have facilitated this program and review of student service hours are now complete. Students took part in a variety of philanthropic activities ranging from volunteering to raise awareness about hunger issues, volunteering in animal shelters, reading books to the visually impaired, supporting local libraries, working to eradicate disease, providing emergency response support, environmental clean up efforts, and so much more!

We continue to celebrate this and other inspiring student and teacher efforts on our school Facebook page and other social media.