



Principals' Report California Online Public Schools 2023-24

SITE REPORTS

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

No matter how much we try to proactively prepare for it, state testing always takes us a bit by storm! Balancing day-to-day responsibilities along with testing duties is a big ask, but if anyone is up to the challenge it is our incredible team. They ensure they are focused on making the day welcoming and successful for each family who attends. I am forever impressed with the high school team's ability to balance testing with continuing to provide excellent service to their homeroom students as well as maintain their ongoing tasks. They are truly incredible.

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

Greetings From Elementary,

Currently, we are right in the middle of state testing. This is always an incredibly exciting time for our staff and students, as we get to see one another in person. It is also a very busy time of the year. Teachers are working hard to balance their testing duties while continuing to provide great support to their homeroom students. I am proud of the way our team has pulled together and is supporting each other during this busy and important time.

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

As stated by my colleagues, testing is in full swing. We are constantly reevaluating how we bring testing to our families, in order to maximize participation and provide a positive experience. This year, with increased testing sites and Saturday options, our staff is incredibly busy balancing multiple critical tasks. Now, more than ever, our teachers are aware of the need to be professional and supportive during these in-person moments, as well as provide their students support while they are out of office. This is by far one of the busiest seasons, and yet our teachers consistently rise to the occasion. In addition to testing, our teachers are working hard to inform our families about the move to California Online Public Schools, and how to register. The future looks bright, and the energy among staff remains incredibly high.



Enrollment Update

Month for Report: May

DATA as of April 29, 2024				
	Elementary	Middle School	High School	Total
23-24 Enrolled	2548	1984	4178	8710
24-25 New Student Applications	233	164	294	691
24-25 ITR Applications Started	874	790	1637	3301
24-25 ITR Yes Responses	1379	1138	1798	4315

Outreach Update

After a multi-year pause since 2019 due to the pandemic, CalOPS made a triumphant return to the Los Angeles Times Festival of Books the weekend of April 20 and 21st. The event, promoted as the largest book festival in the country, attracted over 150,000 attendees. CalOPS teachers spoke with scores of prospective families about our school. Our school mascot, Gig, stole the show as adults and children alike clamored to be photographed with him. Gig met the Los Angeles Rams, Miss Los Angeles USA and attracted a lot of attention. We received online calendar listings in *KTLA Los Angeles*, *Discover Los Angeles* and other community publications.

Overall, we are expanding our school’s promotional digital reach and enjoy watching our roster of social media platforms grow their audiences. We are excited to be gearing up for our 20th anniversary celebration in the fall!



Engagement Activities

Total Attendance* for Recent Activities: 46

*Includes students, staff, adults, and non-CalOPS students

Recent Field Trips

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Southern Region - SoCal

- **Middle School Anime Club Meetup: Little Tokyo Japanese Village** - Tuesday, April 2nd (11:00am - 1:00pm)
335 E 2nd St., Los Angeles, CA 90012
Total attendance: 18 CalOPS students, 6 non-CalOPS students, 18 adults, 4 staff (46 attendees)

Upcoming Field Trips

Northern Region - Monterey Bay, North Bay and NorCal

- **NorCal End of Year Festival** - Wednesday, May 29th (10:00am - 1:00pm)
Alameda County Fairgrounds: 4501 Pleasanton Ave., Pleasanton, CA 94566

Central Region - Central Valley and Central Coast

- **Central End of Year Festival** - Friday, June 7th (10:00am - 1:00pm)
Dinosaur Caves Park: 2701 Price St., Pismo Beach, CA 93449

Southern Region - SoCal

- **8th Grade Celebration: Knott's Berry Farm** - Thursday, May 30th (10:00am - 4:00pm)
8039 Beach Blvd., Buena Park, CA 90620
- **SoCal End of Year Festival** - Wednesday, June 5th (10:00am - 1:30pm)
OC Fairgrounds: 88 Fair Dr., Costa Mesa, CA 92626

