# The Classical Academy 9<sup>-10</sup> High School

"PARTNERING WITH PARENTS FOR QUALITY EDUCATION"

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SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY 2006-07<sup>Report Card</sup>

## DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

As the Executive Director for The Classical Academy, (TCA) I am pleased to share with you that our programs continue to grow and our influence with parents who wish to personalize their children's education is changing the educational landscape of North County San Diego. The Classical Academy High School offers a unique Personalized Learning program that blends a mix of traditional classroom time and a home-based education. As an accredited school with the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC), we have been successfully equipping students and parents since our inception in November 22, 2005 with the Escondido Union High School District.

Parents, students, and community members enjoy the programs that we have created and know that our "school of choice" offers students academic excellence. Enjoy this year's report.

-- Robert Goode, Director

## **MISSION STATEMENT**

The mission of Classical Academy High School is to partner with parents in preparing 9th-12th grade students in a Personalized Learning environment that encourages competent, life-long learners ready for college, career, and citizenship.

## **COMMUNTITY & SCHOOL PROFILE**

The Classical Academy High School is Escondido's premier charter High school. Operating since 2006, The Classical Academy High School "partners with parents" in their mission to educate their children. The school's program spans ninth through twelfth grade and offers optional weekly workshops and Friday enrichment labs for students.

The school is accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC). Students continually outperform other area schools due to the fact that they work so closely with their parents and are supervised by a credentialed teacher.

In the 2006-07 school year, The Classical Academy High School served 111 students in grades nine and ten on a traditional school year calendar. Student body demographics are illustrated below.

| Student Enrollment by Ethnic Group |            |  |  |  |
|------------------------------------|------------|--|--|--|
| 2006-07                            |            |  |  |  |
|                                    | Percentage |  |  |  |
| American Indian                    | 0.9%       |  |  |  |
| Asian                              | 0.9%       |  |  |  |
| Caucasian                          | 76.6%      |  |  |  |
| Filipino                           | 0.9%       |  |  |  |
| Hispanic                           | 10.8%      |  |  |  |
| Multiple or No Response            | 9.9%       |  |  |  |

## **DISCIPLINE & CLIMATE FOR LEARNING**

Students at The Classical Academy High School are guided by specific rules and classroom expectations that promote respect, cooperation, courtesy, and acceptance of others. A schoolwide discipline plan has been developed and adopted by teachers, administrators, and parents. Since parents play such a primary role in the school's discipline program, it's considered a parent-based program. Rules, procedures, and expectations are clearly stated in the parent-student handbook. Rules and expectations are reinforced fairly, firmly, and consistently throughout the year through individualized mailings, phone calls, and other ongoing interaction with the student and parents.

Positive behavior is the focus of staff efforts at The Classical Academy High School.

There are numerous opportunities for students to be recognized for their exemplary behavior and achievement through awards such as the Student Recognition Program which recognizes thickers

Program which recognizes thinkers, communicators, and achievers.

The Suspensions and Expulsions table displays the total number and percentage of incidents at the school. Suspension numbers may be inflated because some students may have been suspended multiple times. Expulsions occur only when required by law or when all other alternatives have been exhausted.

| Suspensions & Expulsions |                      |  |  |  |
|--------------------------|----------------------|--|--|--|
|                          | Classical Academy HS |  |  |  |
| 06-07                    |                      |  |  |  |
| Suspensions              | 0                    |  |  |  |
| Suspension Rate          | 0%                   |  |  |  |
| Expulsions               | 0                    |  |  |  |
| Expulsion Rate           | 0%                   |  |  |  |

## **ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES & AWARDS**

Students are encouraged to participate in the school's additional academic and extracurricular activities that promote positive attitudes, encourage achievement, and aid in the prevention of behavioral problems. Enrichment activities include: Associated Student Body, Honors Society, and Yearbook.

### **DROPOUT & GRADUATION RATES**

Classical Academy High School believes that effective instruction consists of the continuous building of new concepts upon existing ones and requires regular attendance and participation. In hopes of preventing and reducing dropouts. We work with students and families individually to personalize the academic program to their specific academic needs. We have found that this hands-on individual attention allows students to connect and flourish at Classical Academy High School.

## **SCHOOL ENROLLMENT & ATTENDANCE**

The graph below displays the enrollment trends for the past three years. As a charter school offering independent study, we do not track absences – only outcomes in the students learning.

| Enrollment by Grade Level |  |  |  |
|---------------------------|--|--|--|
| 2006-07                   |  |  |  |
| 82                        |  |  |  |
| 29                        |  |  |  |
|                           |  |  |  |

### PARENT INVOLVEMENT

Parents participate on various committees that make decisions regarding the priorities and direction of the educational plan. This ensures instructional programs are consistent with students' needs and comply with district goals. These committees include the Parent Focus Groups and volunteer committees. Volunteerism at The Classical Academy High School has been one of the keys to the success of the educational program. Parents must volunteer 25 hours a year at the school.

Parent Information and Education (PIE) nights occur every five weeks. Educational speakers and topics are discussed to strengthen the role of parents as primary educators.

Every five weeks, parents and the community have the opportunity to participate in schoolwide field trips that tie history and science themes into events and crafts. The Classical Academy High School's annual Open House occurs in March.

## **COUNSELING & SUPPORT STAFF**

It is the goal of The Classical Academy High School to assist students in their social, personal, and academic development. The school provides special attention to students who experience achievement problems difficulty coping with personal and family problems, trouble with decisionmaking, or handling peer pressure. There are currently no academic counselors at The Classical Academy.

The Classical Academy High School staff and teachers offer a wellbalanced and rigorous core curriculum at all grade levels. Instructional programs are aligned with State and National standards. The school structures its educational program so that all students receive instruction appropriate to their learning level. To ensure the success of every student, teachers use a variety of instructional techniques and supplemental instructional materials and programs.

The Classical Academy High School staff recognizes the uniqueness of all its students. The school offers differentiated instruction to all students. The school encourages students to work at their own pace. This allows students capable of high levels of achievement to move at an accelerated pace, and students who are not achieving at grade-level proficiency to work at a slower pace and receive additional assistance. The Classical Academy's curriculum program is to offer assistance and specialized instruction to students with special needs. Students who are falling below grade level or performing below standards in their academic program meet with their assigned teacher to discuss the modification of their educational program. This modified program is monitored closely to ensure individual success. All Special Education students receive additional assistance and tutoring.

## **CLASS SIZE & PROGRAMS**

The Classical Academy High School offers a variety of programs to help best fit student needs.

The **5-Day Home Program** provides the most flexibility. Families may choose their own curriculum, follow CAHS UC approved coursework, attend selected Studios, attend community college courses, or blend any of these options to choose an academic program that best supports the students' goals. Students meet with an Educational Specialist (credentialed teacher) to design and monitor their progress.

The **4-Day Studio Program** is designed for those families who desire instruction from a credentialed teacher. Students in this program agree to exhibit respectful conduct and academic responsibility in the timely completion of quality work.

The **Blended Program** supports those families who would like to combine various academic experiences. Families may construct coursework to include CAHS curriculum at home, Studios and/or community college or online courses.

The Classical Academy High School maintained a school-wide average class size of 25.5 students with a pupil-to-teacher ratio of 17.2:1 for the 2006-07 school year.



The Classical Academy High School recruits and employs the most qualified credentialed teachers. For the 2006-07 school year, Classical Academy High School had eight fully credentialed teachers who met all credential requirements in accordance with State of California guidelines.

| Teacher Credential Status |                   |       |  |  |  |
|---------------------------|-------------------|-------|--|--|--|
|                           | Escondido<br>UHSD |       |  |  |  |
|                           | 06-07             | 06-07 |  |  |  |
| Fully Credentialed        | 8                 | 378   |  |  |  |
| Without Full Credentials  | 0                 | 4     |  |  |  |
| Working Outside Subject   | 0                 | 12    |  |  |  |

Teacher misassignments reflect the number of placements within a school for which the certificated employee in the teaching or services position (including positions that involve teaching English Learners) does not hold a legally recognized certificate or credential. Teacher vacancies reflect the number of positions to which a single designated certificated employee has not been assigned at the beginning of the year for an entire year.

| Misassignments/Vacancies                          |       |       |  |  |  |
|---|-------|-------|--|--|--|
|   | 06-07 | 07-08 |  |  |  |
| Misassignments of Teachers of<br>English Learners | 0     | 0     |  |  |  |
| Misassignments of Teachers (other)                | 0     | 0     |  |  |  |
| Total Misassignments of Teachers                  | 0     | 0     |  |  |  |
| Vacant Teacher Positions                          | 0     | 0     |  |  |  |

## HIGHLY QUALIFIED TEACHERS

The Federal No Child Left Behind Act requires that all teachers in core subject areas meet certain requirements in order to be considered as "Highly Qualified" no later than the end of the 2006-07 school year. Minimum qualifications include: possession of a Bachelor's Degree, possession of an appropriate California teaching credential, and demonstrated competence in core academic subjects.

| NCLB Compliant Teachers          |  |  |  |  |
|----------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
|                                  | % of Core<br>Academic<br>Courses<br>Taught<br>By NCLB<br>Compliant<br>Teachers | % of Core<br>Academic<br>Courses<br>Taught By<br>Non-NCLB<br>Compliant<br>Teachers |  |  |
| Classical Academy HS             | 100.0%   | 0.0%   |  |  |
| Escondido UHSD                   | 97.0%  | 3.0%   |  |  |
| High-Poverty Schools in District | 96.0%  | 4.0%   |  |  |
| Low-Poverty Schools in District  | 95.9%  | 4.1%   |  |  |

## CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

At The Classical Academy High School, curricula in all of the core content areas have been aligned with the California State Content Standards. The school analyzes student work, using data effectively, and working collaboratively to plan and improve instruction. School representatives conduct a review of the school's program by looking at how well students perform on benchmark assessments and State standardized tests, identifying areas of strength and areas where improvements are needed.

The curriculum team makes certain that curriculum is well-articulated among grade levels, identifying and correcting gaps to ensure continuity. The team recommends textbooks for adoption and develops curriculum guides used in each classroom.

School administrators and teachers use the curriculum guides and data analysis to set goals and modify instruction in order to address students' needs. The school's Leadership Team, parents, and members of the school community continually evaluate the school's success in meeting curricular objectives.

The Classical Academy HIgh School provides high-quality professional development to promote powerful teaching and learning. Professional development in the District focuses on standards-based instruction and strategies to promote literacy and critical thinking skills in all subject areas.

During the 2006-07 school year, seven staff development days were offered.



## **CONTACT INFORMATION**

Parents who wish to participate in The Classical Academy High School's leadership teams, school committees, school activities, or become volunteers may contact Chief Business Officer, Cameron Curry at (760) 546-0101.

## SCHOOL FACILITIES & SAFETY

The Classical Academy High School provides a safe, clean environment for students, staff, and volunteers. The school is situated next to Grade Day Park in downtown Escondido. With over 8,500 square feet of facility and classroom space that accommodates our students and staff at the high school. Unlike a traditional public school, The Classical Academy High School pays a monthly lease for facilities. In the 2006-07 school year the school paid a total of \$94,715 for these facilities. The facility strongly supports teaching and learning through its ample classroom and playground space, and a staff resource room.

#### Maintenance and Repair

The Classical Academy High School's maintenance staff ensures that the repairs necessary to keep the school in good repair and working order are completed in a timely manner. At the time this report was published, 100% of restrooms on campus were in good working order. A work order process is used to ensure efficient service and that emergency repairs are given the highest priority. The table below displays the most recent facility inspection conducted at The Classical Academy High School (as of March 2008).

#### **School Facility Conditions**

Date of Last Inspection: August 2006

Overall Summary of School Facility Conditions: Good

| Items Inspected   | Facility Component<br>System Status |      |      | Deficiency &<br>Remedial Actions |  |
|---|-------------------------------------|------|------|----------------------------------|--|
|   | Good                                | Fair | Poor | Taken or Planned                 |  |
| Gas Leaks   | Х                                   |      |      |                                  |  |
| Mechanical Systems  | Х                                   |      |      |                                  |  |
| Windows/Doors/Gates/<br>Fences (Interior and Exterior)                | х                                   |      |      |                                  |  |
| Interior Surfaces (Floors,<br>Ceilings, Walls, and Window<br>Casings) | х                                   |      |      |                                  |  |
| Hazardous Materials (Interior and Exterior)                           | N/A                                 |      |      |                                  |  |
| Structural Damage   | Х                                   |      |      |                                  |  |
| Fire Safety   | Х                                   |      |      |                                  |  |
| Electrical (Interior and Exterior)                                    | х                                   |      |      |                                  |  |
| Pest/Vermin Infestation   | Х                                   |      |      |                                  |  |
| Drinking Fountains (Inside and Outside)                               | х                                   |      |      |                                  |  |
| Restrooms   | Х                                   |      |      |                                  |  |
| Sewer   | Х                                   |      |      |                                  |  |
| Roofs (observed from the ground, inside/outside the building)         | х                                   |      |      |                                  |  |
| Playground/School Grounds   | Х                                   |      |      |                                  |  |
| Overall Cleanliness   | Х                                   |      |      |                                  |  |

#### **Cleaning Process**

A custodian cleans classrooms, restrooms, and campus grounds on a daily basis. A scheduled maintenance program is administered by the school to ensure that all classrooms and facilities are well-maintained and provide a suitable learning environment.

#### Safety

The safety of students and staff is a primary concern of The Classical Academy High School. The school is a closed campus; all visitors must check in at the office before entering. During recess and lunch, and before and after school, teachers and classified staff monitor the campus to ensure student safety throughout the school day.

The Classical Academy High School incorporates a safety plan that includes steps for ensuring student and staff safety during a disaster. The school Principal conducts earthquake, fire, and other emergency drills on a regular basis in accordance with the site disaster plan.

Each classroom contains emergency supplies, food, water, and rescue equipment in a convenient location for any emergency.

The School Safety Plan is reviewed and revised when necessary. Components of the School Site Safety Plan include strategies and programs that will provide and maintain a high level of school safety. The Safe School Plan outlines rules and procedures governing safety issues at the school including information on crimes committed on the school grounds; child abuse reporting procedures; disaster procedures; sexual harassment policies; schoolwide dress code; procedures for safe ingress and egress of pupils, parents, and school employees; and strategies to provide a safe and orderly environment. The plan was last reviewed and updated with school staff in August 2006.

#### **Deferred Maintenance Budget & Projects**

The Classical Academy High School does not have a deferred maintenance budget or participate in any deferred maintenance projects.

#### **INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS**

The Classical Academy sets a high priority upon ensuring that sufficient and current textbooks and materials are available to support the school's instructional program and provides students with textbooks in the core subject areas. The school held a public hearing in August 29, 2006, and determined that sufficient and good quality textbooks and instructional materials are available, pursuant to the settlement of *Williams vs. the State of California*. All students are given their own individual standards-aligned textbooks or instructional materials, or both, in core subjects for use in the classroom and to take home. The resolution does not include English Learners. The chart at the right displays the most current (March 2008) textbooks in use at The Classical Academy High School.



#### LIBRARY INFORMATION

In addition to standard textbooks, The Classical Academy High School offers literature that is thematically linked to history, science, and the language arts program. Whenever possible, classics are chosen both as student-read literature and read-alouds with parents/teachers.

#### **COMPUTER RESOURCES**

Integration of technology into the standard curriculum is ongoing at The Classical Academy High School. Students receive computer instruction on a regular schedule. Software programs develop reading skills, technological skills, and mathematical proficiency. The power of the computer as a learning tool gives students an edge in the technological world of the twenty-first century. Each student at the high school is issued a laptop computer. This allows the students a one-to-one ratio for technology. With this model the school does not have a need for a separate computer lab.

| Computer Resources                   |       |       |  |  |
|--------------------------------------|-------|-------|--|--|
|                                      | 06-07 | 07-08 |  |  |
| Computers                            | 117   | 160   |  |  |
| Students per computer                | 0.9   | 1     |  |  |
| Classrooms connected to Internet 4 8 |       |       |  |  |

|                 | District-Adopted Textbooks    |                          |                  |            |  |  |
|-----------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------|------------|--|--|
| Grade<br>Levels | Subject                       | Publisher                | Adoption<br>Year | Sufficient |  |  |
| 9th-12th        | English/Language<br>Arts      | Glencoe                  | August<br>2006   | Yes        |  |  |
| 9th-12th        | English/Language<br>Arts      | Great Source             | August<br>2006   | Yes        |  |  |
| 9th-12th        | English/Language<br>Arts      | Amsco                    | August<br>2006   | Yes        |  |  |
| 9th-12th        | Foreign Language              | Glencoe                  | August<br>2006   | Yes        |  |  |
| 9th-12th        | Foreign Language              | EMC<br>Publishing        | August<br>2006   | Yes        |  |  |
| 9th-12th        | Mathematics                   | Glencoe -<br>McGraw Hill | August<br>2006   | Yes        |  |  |
| 9th-12th        | Mathematics                   | Pearson                  | August<br>2006   | Yes        |  |  |
| 9th-12th        | Mathematics                   | VideoText                | August<br>2006   | Yes        |  |  |
| 9th-12th        | Mathematics                   | Math U See               | August<br>2006   | Yes        |  |  |
| 9th-12th        | Mathematics                   | Teaching<br>Textbooks    | August<br>2006   | Yes        |  |  |
| 9th-12th        | Science                       | Pearson                  | August<br>2006   | Yes        |  |  |
| 9th-12th        | Science                       | Prentice Hall            | August<br>2006   | Yes        |  |  |
| 9th-12th        | Social Science/<br>History    | Glencoe                  | August<br>2006   | Yes        |  |  |
| 9th-12th        | Social Science/<br>History    | Pearson                  | August<br>2006   | Yes        |  |  |
| 9th-12th        | Visual and<br>Performing Arts | Glencoe                  | August<br>2006   | Yes        |  |  |
| 9th-12th        | Visual and<br>Performing Arts | Goodheart/<br>Wilcox     | August<br>2006   | Yes        |  |  |
| 9th-12th        | Visual and<br>Performing Arts | J.W. Pepper              | August<br>2006   | Yes        |  |  |



## ADDITIONAL INTERNET ACCESS/PUBLIC LIBRARIES

For additional research materials and Internet availability, students are encouraged to visit the public libraries located in Escondido, which contain numerous computer workstations.

## STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

**Please note:** As an independent charter school, The Classical Academy High School's program, resources, and administration are run independently from the Escondido Union High School District. This report offers district and State testing data for comparison to satisfy reporting requirements.

To obtain accurate and valid measures of educational progress, The Classical Academy High School offers students multiple opportunities to demonstrate mastery of the California State Content Standards. In addition to district-established performance objectives, the state and federal governments have set standards for student achievement. A school's progress in meeting or exceeding those standards is measured through the results of testing and other criteria.

## CALIFORNIA STANDARDS TEST

The California Standards Test (CST), a component of the STAR Program, is administered to all students in the spring to assess student performance in relation to the State Content Standards. Student scores are reported as performance levels: Advanced (exceeds state standards), Proficient (meets standards), Basic (approaching standards), Below Basic (below standards), and Far Below Basic (well below standards). The combined percentage of students scoring at the Proficient and Advanced levels in English/Language Arts and Social Science, for the most recent three-year period, is shown. Summative scores are not shown for Math, Science, and grade nine Social Science. For results on course specific tests, please see http://star.cde.ca.gov.

## FEDERAL INTERVENTION PROGRAM

Schools and districts receiving Federal Title I funding enter Program Improvement (PI) if they do not make AYP for two consecutive years in the same content area (English/Language Arts or Mathematics) or on the same indicator (API or graduation rate). After entering PI, schools and districts advance to the next level of intervention with each additional year that they do not make AYP.

| Federal Intervention Programs         |           |           |  |  |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|--|--|
| Classical Escondic<br>Academy HS UHSD |           |           |  |  |
| Program Improvement (PI) Status       | Not in PI | Not in PI |  |  |
| First Year in PI                      | -         | -         |  |  |
| Year in PI (2007-08)                  | -         | -         |  |  |
| # of Schools Currently in PI          | -         | 0         |  |  |
| % of Schools Identified for PI        | -         | 0.00%     |  |  |

| Combined % of Students Scoring at Proficient and<br>Advanced Levels |   |  |  |  |  |
|---|---|--|--|--|--|
| Language Arts   |   | Social<br>Science  |  |  |  |
| 9   | 10  | 10   |  |  |  |
| 07  | 07  | 07   |  |  |  |
|   | All Stud  | lents  |  |  |  |
| 85  | 70  | 45   |  |  |  |
| 48  | 36  | 31   |  |  |  |
| 47  | 37  | 29   |  |  |  |
|   | Male  | es   |  |  |  |
| 76  | 67  | 45   |  |  |  |
| 43  | 32  | 33   |  |  |  |
| 43  | 33  | 34   |  |  |  |
|   | Fema  | les  |  |  |  |
| 94  | 73  | *  |  |  |  |
| 53  | 41  | 29   |  |  |  |
| 53  | 41  | 26   |  |  |  |
|   | sian  |  |  |  |  |
| 87  | 72  | 46   |  |  |  |
| 70  | 61  | 48   |  |  |  |
| 66  | 55  | 44   |  |  |  |
|   | anced Le<br>Langua<br>9<br>07<br>85<br>48<br>47<br>76<br>43<br>43<br>43<br>43<br>53<br>53<br>53<br>87<br>70 | anced Levels   Language Arts   9 10   07 07   07 07   All Stuc   85 70   48 36   47 37   Male   76 67   43 32   43 32   53 41   53 41   53 41   Caucas   87 72   70 61 |  |  |  |

California Standards Test (CST)

\*Scores are not disclosed when fewer than 10 students are tested in a grade level and/or subgroup.

## ADEQUATE YEARLY PROGRESS

No Child Left Behind (NCLB) is a federal law enacted in January 2002 that reauthorized the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA). It mandates that all students (including students who are economically disadvantaged, are from racial or ethnic minority groups, have disabilities, or have limited English proficiency) in all grades meet the state academic achievement standards for Mathematics and English/Language Arts by 2014. Schools must demonstrate "Adequate Yearly Progress" (AYP) toward achieving that goal. The Federal NCLB Act requires that all schools and districts meet the following Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) requirements:

- Participation rate on the state's standards-based assessments in English/Language Arts (ELA) and Mathematics.
- Percent proficient on the state's standards-based assessments in ELA and Mathematics.
- API as an additional indicator.
- Graduation rate (for secondary schools).

There are several consequences for schools that do not meet the AYP standards, including additional tutoring and replacing of staff. Students would also be allowed to transfer to schools (within their district) that have met their AYP, and the former school would be required to provide the transportation to the new site. Results of school and district performance are displayed in the chart.

| Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) |   |           |                               |             |  |
|--------------------------------|---|-----------|-------------------------------|-------------|--|
| _                              | Classical A                               | cademy HS | Escondi                       | do UHSD     |  |
| Made AYP Overall               | Yes                                       |           | N                             | lo          |  |
| Met AYP Criteria               | English -<br>Language Mathematics<br>Arts |           | English -<br>Language<br>Arts | Mathematics |  |
| Participation Rate             | Yes                                       | Yes       | Yes                           | Yes         |  |
| Percent Proficient             | Yes                                       | Yes       | No                            | Yes         |  |
| API School Results             | Yes                                       |           | Ye                            | es          |  |
| Graduation Rate                | Ye  | es        | Ye                            | es          |  |

## **Physical Fitness**

In the spring of each year, Classical Academy High School is required by the state to administer a physical fitness test to all students in grade nine. The physical fitness test is a standardized evaluation that tracks the development of high-quality fitness programs and assists students in establishing physical activity as part of their daily lives. During the 2006-07 school year, 90% of ninth grade students at The Classical Academy High School met state fitness standards in all six fitness areas.

## ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE INDEX

The Academic Performance Index (API) is a score on a scale of 200 to 1,000 that annually measures the academic performance and progress of individual schools in California. The state has set 800 as the API score that schools should strive to meet.

**Statewide Rank:** Schools receiving an API Base score are ranked in ten categories of equal size (deciles) from 1 (lowest) to 10 (highest), according to type of school (elementary, middle, or high school).

*Similar Schools Rank:* Schools also receive a ranking that compares that school to 100 other schools with similar demographic characteristics. Each set of 100 schools is ranked by API score from 1 (lowest) to 10 (highest) to indicate how well the school performed compared to similar schools.

## CALIFORNIA HIGH SCHOOL EXIT EXAM (CAHSEE)

The California High School Exit Exam is primarily used as a graduation requirement in California, but the results of this exam are also used to determine Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) for high schools, as required by the Federal No Child Left Behind (NCLB) law. The CAHSEE has an English languagearts section and a math section and, for purposes of calculating AYP, three performance levels were

set: Advanced, Proficient, and Not Proficient. The score a student must achieve to be considered Proficient is different than the passing score for the graduation requirement. The first table displays the percent of students achieving at the Proficient or Advanced level for the past three years. The second table displays the percent of students, by group, achieving at each performance level in English language-arts and math separately for the most recent testing period.

| ting AYP, three |                   |            | 0                        | ematics 6         | 60.0% | 50.3%  | 49.9%    |
|-----------------|-------------------|------------|--------------------------|-------------------|-------|--------|----------|
|                 |                   | CAHSE      | E By Studer<br>2006-2007 | nt Group          |       |        |          |
|                 |                   | English    |                          |                   | Mathe | natics |          |
|                 | Not<br>Proficient | Proficient | Advanced                 | Not<br>Proficient | Prof  | icient | Advanced |
| All Students    | 15.0%             | 25.0%      | 60.0%                    | 40.0%             | 35.   | 0%     | 25.0%    |
| Caucasian       | 18.8%             | 12.5%      | 68.8%                    | 37.5%             | 37.   | 5%     | 25.0%    |

English

## ADVANCED PLACEMENT CLASSES

Classical Academy High School encourages students to continue their education past high school. Students who meet prerequisites will be able to choose from the first-year program offerings of AP Biology, AP U.S. History, and AP English Language and Composition, beginning in 2007-08 school year.

The challenging nature of AP courses allows students to gain an edge in college preparation while exploring subjects in a deeper and more complex manner. Additionally, the college-level curriculum of AP allows students to stand out in the college admissions process. Through AP Exams, students can earn credit or advanced standing in most of the nation's colleges and universities.

## **CAREER TECHNICAL EDUCATION PARTICIPATION**

This table displays information about participation in the school's Career Technical Education (CTE) programs. Each student at the Classical Academy High School has the opportunity for career exploration and development through our partnership with the Escondido Education Compact.

## **COLLEGE ENTRANCE INFORMATION**

The focus of Classical Academy High School Student Services is to provide programs, activities, instruction and support services within an atmosphere which encourages all students to accomplish and exceed their academic goals and aspirations. Programs include:

Grad Planning, Road Through College (RTC) workshops, and Student Study Teams. Grad Planing provides students with an awareness of their personal abilities and goals, while mapping an action plan towards college and career.

#### Enrollment & Program Completion in Career/ Technical Education (CTE) Programs (Carl Perkins Vocational and Technical Education Act)

|  | acadion / tot) |
|--|----------------|
| Question   | Response       |
| How many of the schools pupils<br>participate in CTE?  | 0              |
| What percent of the schools pupils<br>complete a CTE program and earn a<br>high school diploma?  | 0%             |
| What percent of the schools CTE<br>courses are sequenced or articulated<br>between the school and institutions of<br>post secondary education? | 0%             |

The RTC workshops are a great opportunity for students and parents to demystify the steps necessary for college admissions. Classical Academy High School Student Study Team, a site level team of teachers, counselors, administrators, support personnel, parents and/or student which meets on a regular basis to engage in structured, routine, proactive problem solving activities related to student's academic program.

California high school students have two options for attending public universities in the state: Universities of California (UC), or California State Universities (CSU). There are eight UC campuses statewide, and 28 CSU schools.



"B" means the school did not have a valid 2006 Base API and will not have any growth or target information.

CAHSEE By Subject

School

85.0%

2006-07

District

47 0%

State

48.6%

| Classical Academy High School |
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#### A college preparatory high school program includes a minimum of the following courses, referred to as the "A-G requirements."

- A: Two years of history/social science
- B: Four years of English
- C: Three years of college preparatory mathematics (Four recommended for UC)
- D: Two years of laboratory science (Three recommended for UC)
- E: Two years of a single language other than English (Three recommended for UC)
- F: One year of visual/performing arts
- G: One year of a college preparatory elective in one of the above subjects

All courses must be completed with a grade of "C" or better. The minimum GPA required for admission to a UC is 3.15, and 2.0 for the CSU system. For more information about admissions to UC schools, please visit www.ucop.edu/pathways. To prepare for entrance to a CSU school, visit www.csumentor. edu.

## DATA SOURCES

Data within the SARC was provided by Classical Academy High School, retrieved from the 2006-07 SARC template, and/or located on Dataquest (http:// data1.cde.ca.gov/dataquest). Dataquest is a search engine, maintained by the California Department of Education (CDE), which allows the public to search for facts and figures pertaining to schools and districts throughout the state. Among the data available, parents and community members may find information about school performance, test scores, student demographics, staffing, and student misconduct/intervention.

### **DISTRICT SALARIES AND EXPENDITURES**

The state requires that schools compare their Average Teacher Salary, Administrators Salaries, and Expenditures per Pupil with the district and the state. The most current financial data to compare with is from the 2005-06 school year. Classical Academy High School opened its doors in the 2006-07 school year and therefore has no data to report.



