

Lakeside Joint School District Annual Report - 2016

Dear Neighbor,

As interim Superintendent in the Lakeside Joint School District, I am pleased to share more information about our dynamic school district. From our rigorous academic programs, support for the “whole child,” parent involvement, and outstanding test scores that place our schools among the highest in the state and a top on the “Great Schools” reviews, I’m tremendously proud of what we accomplish here at Lakeside.

Lakeside Provides Strong Academic Programs

For over 130 years, Lakeside Joint School District has delivered an excellent and dynamic education for local children here in our mountain community. Students from transitional kindergarten to 5th grade learn in a unique school environment with small class sizes and outstanding and fully credentialed teachers and support staff.

Our district celebrates a legacy of excellence, from exceeding the former Academic Performance Index (API) goal of 800 with a score of 960 in 2013, and by a 10 of 10 school ranking by Great Schools. Our hard working staff is dedicated to meeting each child’s academic, social and emotional needs both in and out of the classroom. Our options for 6th-8th grades currently include a choice between two local comprehensive middle schools – CT English School (Loma Prieta) and Rolling Hills Middle School (Campbell).

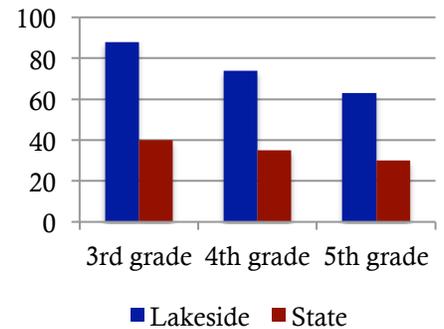
Community Involvement Sets Lakeside Apart

Parents are encouraged and regularly take an active role in school leadership and programs. Lakeside has a very active PTA and Lakeside School Community Foundation, keeping all members of the Lakeside community apprised of school activities while hosting events and fundraising opportunities that support all students in areas such as science, physical education, music, safety programs and more!

Great school, awesome students, exceptional programs, outstanding academic achievement, amazing staff, and incredible community support. All of this is what makes the Lakeside Joint School District a much sought after place for learning and a desirable community to live in. As always, we appreciate your support.

Dr. Lisa Gonzales, Interim Superintendent

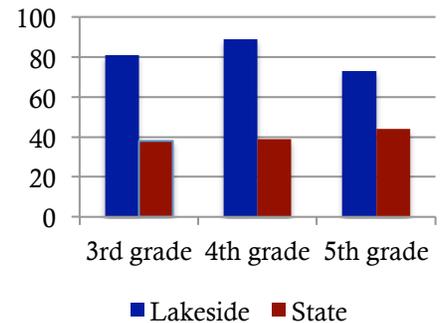
Mathematics 2015



Academic Excellence

In Spring 2015, Lakeside participated in the first CAASP testing (CA Assessment of Student Performance & Progress), which gathered baseline data. The initial scores for Lakeside indicated outstanding results in “meeting/exceeding standards.”

Language Arts 2015



Lakeside Supports the Whole Child

Learning and growing goes beyond the academics, so here at Lakeside we focus on the whole child. This includes access to arts programs, counseling programs, and adults on campus who are trained in supporting students with academic challenges. Instructional programs like Project Based Learning translate into stronger student collaboration, creative problem solving, and the development of exceptional communication skills including speaking and designing presentations that share a focused message.

A rural lifestyle is alive and well in Lakeside with ties to nature, hiking, and mountain culture. In contrast, the Lakeside community funds technologies that extend critical thinking and communication. The nice blend of social and rural, high tech and low tech provides for a well-rounded education for our mountain’s young people.

Measure C Funds - Annual Update

Lakeside voters demonstrated their continued support of quality education programs by approving Measure C in 2010. Measure C is a local property tax, which generates approximately \$256,000 annually for district programs. This Annual Report also serves as our “Annual Informational Report” on the state of the District and how Measure C Parcel Tax funds are being utilized. The revenue generated from this parcel tax is deposited in a special fund and kept separate from all other district funds.

An Independent Citizen Oversight Committee was established to monitor the expenditures and ensure the spending is aligned with the purposes approved by the voters. Those purposes included: high quality core instructional programs, comprehensive middle school programs, updated technology, small class sizes and teacher retention.

The parcel tax is up for renewal this June as Measure J, with the same oversights, senior exemptions for property owners over 65 years of age/contiguous parcels, or occupied by persons receiving state disability assistance. For more information, please contact Parcel Tax Exemption Officer Susan Ady at (408) 354-2372.



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