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April 30, 2015

Mr. David S. McKay

Principal

Oakdale Secondary Independent Study School

290 East Avenue

Chico, CA 95926

Dear Mr. McKay:

The Accrediting Commission for Schools, Western Association of Schools and Colleges (ACS WASC) announces the action taken at the Spring 2015 Commission Meeting. The Commissioners of the Accrediting Commission for Schools, Western Association of Schools and Colleges determined Oakdale Secondary Independent Study School meets the ACS WASC criteria for accreditation. This accreditation status is based on all of the information provided by the school, including the self-study report, and the satisfactory completion of the on-site accreditation visit.

It is the decision of the Commission to grant Six-Year Accreditation Status with a Mid-cycle Two-day Visit through June 30, 2021.

Oakdale Secondary Independent Study School is required to prepare a Mid-cycle Progress Report for the Mid-cycle Visit. The report and visit should demonstrate that the school has:

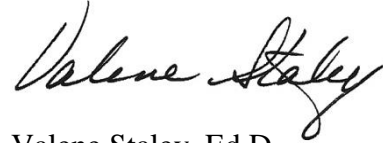
- Addressed the critical areas for follow-up throughout the schoolwide action plan
- Made appropriate progress on the implementation of the schoolwide action plan
- Improved student achievement relative to the schoolwide learner outcomes and the academic standards.

Accreditation status is conditioned upon Oakdale Secondary Independent Study School's continued compliance with the ACS WASC policies, procedures, and criteria for accreditation. This includes a requirement that an accredited school annually contribute members from the school staff or district to participate on visiting committees. Failure to maintain compliance with said policies, procedures, and standards is grounds for modification and/or withdrawal of the accreditation.

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The Commission looks forward to Oakdale Secondary Independent Study School's anticipated success and continuing improvement in keeping with ACS WASC's pursuit of excellence in elementary, secondary, and adult education.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Valene Staley". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Valene Staley, Ed.D.  
Commission Chairperson

cc: Visiting Committee Chairperson  
Superintendent



# Check Presentation Ceremony

Roplast Industries Would Like To Thank All Of Our Community Members That Helped To Promote Our Contest, Submitted Artwork, Or Bought A Bag At Their Local Grocery Store.

Come Join Us As We Present A \$3,000 Donation To The Local Art Programs. Enjoy A Refreshment And Pickup Your Free Reusable Art Bag. The Artists Will Be There To Autograph Your Bag.

**Monday, May 11<sup>TH</sup>  
At 4PM**

**Boys & Girls Club  
601 Wall St. Chico, CA 95926**

**Open To The Public**



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March 19, 2015

Dear Superintendent Staley,

## CALPADS Data Management Recognition

We are pleased to inform you your local educational agency has qualified for the 2013-14 California Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System (CALPADS) Data Management Recognition. Congratulations and thank you for your support for the submission and maintenance of high-quality data! Your certificate accompanies this letter. Please extend our congratulations to all those involved in CALPADS submissions, including site and district administrators and staff who work with your student data. In addition to the certificate, your LEA will be recognized on the CALPADS Data Management Recognition webpage at <http://fcmat.org/Pages/Data-Submission-Recognition-Program.aspx>.

As you are aware, data from CALPADS are used for many significant purposes, including the Local Control Funding Formula, the test registration system for the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress, and the Accountability Progress Reporting system.

The local educational agency (LEA) staff working with CALPADS are integral to keeping CALPADS up-to-date with current, accurate data. Submission deadlines are established each year and LEAs that meet all submission deadlines assist the state in maintaining timely, high-quality data. The California Department of Education and the Fiscal Crisis & Management Assistance Team/California School Information Services (FCMAT/CSIS) have established the CALPADS Data Management Recognition Program to formally commend LEAs that have met all CALPADS deadlines in a given year. The CALPADS Data Management Recognition for 2013-14 is being awarded to LEAs that completed the following CALPADS Data Submissions by the deadline listed below:

- *December 19, 2013 – Fall 1*
- *March 28, 2014 – Fall 2*
- *July 18, 2014 – EOY1\*, EOY 2, EOY 3 & EOY 4\**

*\* (only required if LEA has grades 10-12)*

We look forward to continuing to work with your staff as CALPADS data are used in an increasing number of critical data functions.

Sincerely,

  
Cindy Kazanis

Director  
Educational Data Management Division  
California Department of Education

  
Nancy Sullivan

Chief Operations Officer  
FCMAT/California School Information Services





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**CALPADS**  
California Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System



# Data Management Recognition

*Presented to*

## Chico Unified

Awarded to Local Education Agencies that met the initial CALPADS certification deadline for all six data collections (Fall 1, Fall 2, EOY1, EOY2, EOY3, & EOY4), resolved anomalies to achieve an anomaly rate of less than 2% of enrollment, and maintained quality data in the local SIS as well as in CALPADS.

*Cindy Kazanis*

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Director  
Educational Data Management Division  
California Department of Education



*Nancy J. Sullivan*

Nancy Sullivan  
Chief Operations Officer  
FCMAT/California School Information Services

Join local moms for a day dedicated to celebrating the joys and challenges of motherhood.

*Saturday May 9th*  
From 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

At the  
*Enloe Conference Center*

Registration is required. Visit the



*Mothers Strong Facebook Page or call 2-1-1*

# Embracing Motherhood

Building Strong Families



*Come listen to:*

Prominent author  
*Dr. Shoshanna Bennett*  
talk about maternal  
mental wellness.

Lunch catered by Bacio.

Childcare not provided but  
babies in arms welcome.

*This is a free event and  
all mothers are welcome!*





CALIFORNIA  
DEPARTMENT OF  
EDUCATION

**TOM TORLAKSON**  
STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

May 4, 2015

Dear Gold Ribbon School Award Recipient:

2015 California Gold Ribbon Schools Recognition

I am pleased to inform you that your school has successfully completed the California Gold Ribbon Schools Program application process and is being recognized as one of our 373 California Gold Ribbon Schools for 2015. This award is a direct reflection of the dedication, hard work, and vision of your school's educational community.

You are cordially invited to attend a California School Recognition Program Awards Ceremony later this month, sponsored in part by California Casualty. The attached flyer identifies the date and location of each regional event so please mark the date on your calendar. This year we will honor the 2015 Gold Ribbon Middle and High Schools along with the Exemplary Program recipients, Title I – Academic Achieving Schools, 2015 Green Ribbon Schools, 2015 Civic Learning Award Schools, and the National Blue Ribbon Honorees from 2014.

We have been working closely with our county partners in planning these regional ceremonies to make them a memorable experience. Registration forms, program agenda and logistical information will be coming to you shortly.

Tomorrow I will be making a formal announcement to the media about these awards. The news release identifying all the 2015 Middle and High California Gold Ribbon Schools will be posted on the California Department of Education's home page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/> under "What's New."

Congratulations on receiving Gold Ribbon School recognition! I look forward to seeing you at the awards event and celebrating your great achievements. If you have any questions regarding this subject, please contact the Awards Team at 916-319-0842 or by e-mail at [awards@cde.ca.gov](mailto:awards@cde.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

Tom Torlakson

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Attachment

# Measure E Facilities Master Plan Projects

May 2015

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## *100% Successful State Performance & Progress Testing*

Throughout the month of April students in grades three through eight and grade eleven took part in the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP) summative assessments in English language arts/literacy and mathematics. This is the first statewide administration of new, online tests to replace the paper-based, multiple-choice Standardized Testing and Reporting (STAR) program. Thanks to strategic cable infrastructure upgrades provided by Measure E funds, schools were able to use wireless testing at all school sites. School sites are utilizing Chromebooks via the new Ruckus Wireless for Testing. So far, we have been 100% successful with the Chromebooks and the new wireless!

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## *Marsh Jr. High Multipurpose Building*

The Marsh Junior High School Multipurpose Building has finally broken ground! The Multipurpose Building will add a new cafeteria, dining area, stage, performing arts classroom, restrooms and student gathering area to the campus. Construction activities occurring this month include: site surveying, demolition and pouring of the building foundation.





## *Bidwell Jr. High Modernization*



Over Spring Break, the Bidwell Jr.'s Administrative Offices were temporarily relocated to two classrooms on campus. Construction crews have begun demolition of the old offices and foyer entry. The library, gymnasium and multipurpose building modernization will occur during the summer break.



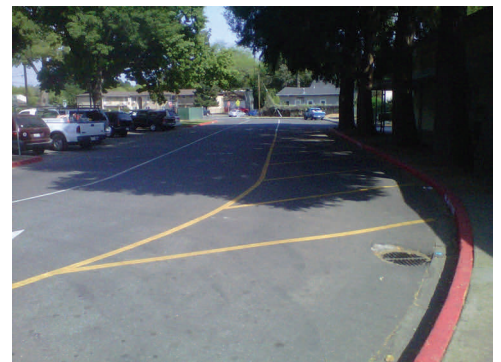
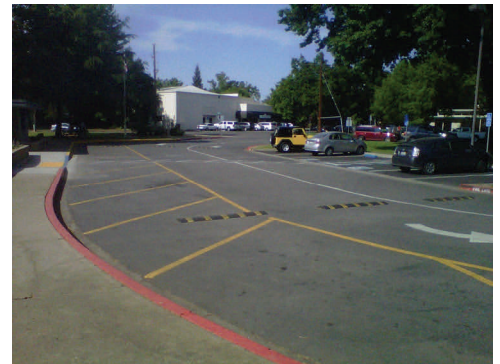
In mid-April, the gym received an upgraded lighting package. This new energy saving LED lighting system is the first step in the gym modernization. The gym will also receive a new heating and air conditioning system, paint, upgraded wall treatment, new acoustical ceiling and refinished flooring.

## *New Science Buildings at Chico Jr. and Marsh Jr. High*

Construction plans for the new science buildings at Chico Jr. and Marsh Jr. have been submitted to the Division of the State Architect for review. The anticipated date for approval is June 2015. Once plans are approved the general contractors for each site will bid the project out to subcontractors. Each project is projected to begin construction by the end of June or the first of July.

## *Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Upgrades at McManus, Rosedale and District Office*

The ADA Barrier Removal Projects were recently completed at Rosedale Elementary School, McManus Elementary School and the District Office. At Rosedale the improvements included new compliant ADA parking stalls, new portions of sidewalk and concrete in front of the main office, new striping and signage and new fencing and gates. At McManus the improvements included a new curb ramp, revised ADA parking stalls, new concrete in front of the main office and new striping and signage. At the District Office the improvements included a new path of travel from the City sidewalk to the accessible ADA ramp and stairs. Improvements also included modified ADA compliant parking spaces and path of travel, new stairs and handrails, striping and signage. All of these improvements make the path of travel from the main parking spaces to the rear entrance compliant and accessible.



## *Visit from the State Allocation Board*

On April 10th, Bill Savidge from the State Allocation Board (SAB) and Rick Huston from Butte County Office of Education toured the Center for the Arts at Pleasant Valley High School and the Lincoln Center at Chico High with Julie Kistle, CUSD Director of Facilities & Construction. The SAB is responsible for apportioning construction funds to school districts. It was satisfying to show of how CUSD has leveraged our local bond dollars with State dollars to build efficient and beautiful buildings for our students.



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We are on the Web:

<http://www.chicousd.org/Departments/Facilities--Construction/index.html>



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Pleasant Valley High School Music Department Presents

# 2015 Spring Concert



Monday, May 11th - 7:00pm

Center for the Arts, Pleasant Valley High School

Tickets: \$7





## FHA-HERO Students are leaders at State convention

Thirteen FHA-HERO members, 1 advisor and 2 parents attended the 68<sup>th</sup> Annual FHA-HERO State Leadership Convention in Riverside, CA. Over 1000 students competed for over \$700,000 in scholarships and prizes over 4 days of competition in 20 different career pathway competitions.



The following FHA-HERO members were awarded:

- Emily Gebicke, Gold Plaque in Teaching Careers & Regional President Award
- Lily Anderson, Gold Plaque, 2<sup>nd</sup> in State and Scholarship for Torte Display
- Sienna Sasseli and Brianna Romero, Nutrition Team, 2<sup>nd</sup> in State
- Pheda McClain, Gold Plaque in Wedding Cake
- Anne Gebicke, Gold Plaque and Statewide 2<sup>nd</sup> place in Child Development  
Rhiannon Mueller, Regional VP and Secretary Award
- Conor McClenathan, Regional Reporter and Nomination Committee award
- Hannah Siebert, Participant and 3<sup>rd</sup> place in Statewide Community Involvement for Teens in the Driver's Seat
- Phedra McClain, Gold Plaque in Wedding Cake
- Yesenia Velasquez, Gold Plaque in Advanced Presentation Cakes
- Jessie Cornell, Gold Plaque in Advanced Presentation Cakes
- Sam Stuckrath and David Bowdy, Gold Plaque for Commercial Food



Awards for excellent service were presented to Region 2 outgoing officers Emily Gebicke, Conor McClenathan and Rhiannon Mueller. Congratulations to the incoming regional officers Sienna Sasseli, Anne Gebicke and Brianna Romero.

Over 4 days students attended leadership workshops, tours, training from industry professionals listened to fantastic keynote speakers and engaged in networking, banquets, committees and competitions.

FHA-HERO is the California State Affiliate for FCCLA: Family, Community and Career Leaders of America. It is the recognized Career and Technical Student Organization for Home Economics Careers and Technology pathway courses.







Brianna Romero and Sienna receiving their Award.



Torte, one of 3 in display event by Lily Anderson



## FHA-HERO Region 2

### Capitol Leadership

The FHA-HERO Region 2 Regional Officer team was invited to Sacramento from March 8-10 to participate in FHA-HERO Capitol Leadership. After workshops on legislative action, platforms, demographic data on assembly and house members, information on presentation delivery and “elevator” talks, students held mock hearings and visited the

house and assembly during sessions. Students then had appointments with their respective assembly and house members to discuss education, career and technical courses and student organizations such as FHA-HERO, affiliate of FCCLA. FHA-HERO is a career and technical student organization that is co-curricular with HECT, Home Economics Career and Technology, courses. Compliments were abundant and one legislative state staff member was so impressed with this student group saying *“They are more prepared and present better than 90% of the adults that walk into this office”*. Please congratulate the following officers:

Emily Gebicke, President

Rhiannon Mueller, VP and Secretary

Colton Stout, Treasurer

Zoie LeFever, Historian

Conor McClenathan, Reporter

All California Regional officers at  
Capitol Leadership



## ROP Culinary II

### Prostart Teams Impress at State Finals

Management and Gourmet Teams from Pleasant Valley High School traveled to Pasadena for the California Restaurant Association Prostart State finals March 20-23.



The management team consisting of Lily Anderson, Conor McCenathan and Eric Altman, ranked 4th in the state and presented a highly commended presentation on their business plan for the fast service pizza restaurant entitled "Pizza Bros.". Included was a 50 page business plan, PPT, display board, 15 minute presentation and 20 minute Q&A. Over 20 industry judges gave critique.



The gourmet team consisting of Hannah Siebert, Sam Stuckrath and Phadra McClain, presented 6 plates in two hours. Perfect scores were obtained in receiving, paperwork and team sanitation. The team received many compliments about teamwork and communication.





Their menu choices consisting of a Mixed Green Citrus salad and Vinaigrette, Chicken Roulades with Fresh Basil Pasta and Sautéed Vegetables and a Vanilla and Orange Torte for dessert. Students are eligible for scholarships after successfully competing in this industry-based competition.





Field Trip to Butte College Police and Fire Academies



Safety Faire Service-Learning Event at the Elks Lodge April 17<sup>th</sup>



ACE-LIFE HERO and Careers with Kids students support the Jr. Vikings at the Marigold Spirit Rally



ACE-LIFE students participate in the Autism Walk for community service







BCOE VAPA Summer Convening

*Immerse Yourself in...*  
**ARTFUL Teaching**

**July 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup>**

This summer, immerse yourself in two full days - 9am-5pm- of exciting visual art, music, dance and theatre integrated professional learning @ the BCOE Instructional Resource Center, 5 County Center Drive, Oroville, CA.

Take away arts integration lesson ideas, strategies, and resources to engage student learning across the curriculum throughout your 2015-16 school year.

**Early Bird Special \$150**

**for paid registrations received by June 1, 2015.**

Registration cost is \$175 June 2- July 15, 2015.

Registration includes all art materials, lunch, drinks, and snacks.  
One unit of Continuing Education Credit available from CSUChico

**Register Today! Space is limited!**

<http://goo.gl/forms/qQLAIKLsrW>

**Target Audience:** Designed for Prek-8 general ed teachers, arts specialists, instructional aides, afterschool staff, and parents.

**Presented by BCOE VAPA Coordinator, Nancy Silva and renowned California arts specialists!**

**Abbie Ehorn**

Abbie has developed a highly successful music program at Evergreen Union School District in Cottonwood, CA. This program integrates music with grade level curriculum themes and delivers sequential, standards-based music to 1000 students each year in grades K-8. Abbie has taught music at Northeast California Arts Project (NCAP) summer institutes for ten years.

**Karen Hafenstein**

Karen has taught music K-12, K-1 classroom, fine arts, and algebra in Redding area schools over the years. She is the former director of NCAP. Her extensive workshops and Institutes instructed classroom teachers in learning and teaching dance, music, theatre and visual arts.

**Colleen Pelfrey**

Colleen has taught in the Live Oak Unified School District since 1983. She currently teaches 5th-8th grade visual and performing arts, 5th-8th grade physical education, 8th grade math, and 5th-8th grade after school drama. For over ten years, Colleen taught dance at NCAP summer institutes and at workshops for several northern California school districts.

**David Tamori**

Retired from teaching art at Oroville High School after 38 years - served as the VAPA Chair and Head Wrestling Coach; contributed to the state VAPA standards and developed standards and content for all of the current Art Teacher preparation assessments; taught NCAP summer institutes for 22 years; currently, working for the College Board as an Advanced Placement Studio Art workshop consultant/presenter and BCOE VAPA volunteer extraordinaire.

**Brought to you by the Butte County Office of Education Visual and Performing Arts Program**

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