

Seven Chino Valley schools named to prestigious honor roll by business leaders

Seven Chino Valley Unified School District schools have been named 2014 Honor Roll schools by the Campaign for Business & Education Excellence (CBEE).

Schools receiving the distinction from the California business community have demonstrated consistent high levels of student academic achievement, improvement in achievement levels over time and reduction in achievement gaps among student populations.

Cal Aero Preserve Academy and Rhodes Elementary in Chino, Chaparral Elementary and Eagle Canyon elementary schools in Chino Hills, and Liberty Elementary in Ontario are among 1,328 schools statewide named 2014 Star Schools by CBEE.

Star Schools are those with significant populations of low-income students that have shown a significant increase in grade-level proficiency and reduction in achievement gaps.

Country Springs and Wickman elementary schools, both in Chino Hills, are among 523 schools statewide named 2014 Scholar Schools by CBEE.

Scholar Schools also have the same attributes as Star Schools, but do not have significant levels of low-income students.

In addition, Cal Aero Preserve Academy and Rhodes Elementary have also been named 2014 Stem Schools by CBEE for having high levels of math and science achievement, as well as a high percentage of low-income students.

“Many of our high performing schools are not getting the recognition they deserve,” said Lee Blitch, CBEE Chairman and past CEO of the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce. “These schools that succeed in reducing the achievement gap and preparing their students for college and careers should be celebrated. There are schools all over California that are leaders in ensuring their students are getting the best quality of education. Those schools need to be recognized.”

The CBEE Honor Roll schools will receive a banner regarding their designation that can be displayed at their school site.

The annual Honor Roll award program is made possible with support from numerous businesses and organizations, including State Farm, Macy’s, Wells Fargo, Southern California Auto Club, Enterprise Rent-A-Car, the California Business Roundtable, and several private foundations. Chevron Corporation provided specific support in the creation of the STEM Honor Roll.