

### **Poway Unified Schools Maintain High Rankings in 2006**

On March 27, the California Department of Education released the results of the 2005-2006 State and Similar School Rankings for all public schools. Poway Unified maintained high levels of performance, led by gains at the elementary level that included four schools achieving 10/10 state and similar school rankings. Overall, the District's Academic Performance Index (API) of 858 is the highest of San Diego County's unified school districts.

On the state rankings, elementary schools inched upward from an average of 9.45 on a ten point scale to 9.5 in 2006. Among the District's secondary schools, one high school improved one rank. Overall, the middle schools achieved an average state rank of 9.67 and the high schools averaged 9.75 on the state's ten point scale. The twenty PUSD schools receiving a state rank of "10" thereby earning a place among the state's top 10% include: **Adobe Bluffs, Canyon View, Chaparral, Creekside, Deer Canyon, Highland Ranch, Los Peñasquitos, Painted Rock, Park Village, Rolling Hills, Shoal Creek, Sundance, Tierra Bonita, and Turtleback** elementary schools, **Bernardo Heights, Mesa Verde, Oak Valley, and Twin Peaks** middle schools, and **Poway, Rancho Bernardo, and Westview** high schools.

Four schools earning Similar School Ranks of "10" include: **Deer Canyon, Los Peñasquitos, Rolling Hills, and Sundance**. Twenty out of 32 schools received Similar School Rankings of 7 or higher.

In 2006, the number of 10/10 schools improved from one to four. Earning the coveted 10/10 rankings in 2006 were: **Deer Canyon, Los Peñasquitos, Rolling Hills, and Sundance**. Since 1999, **Los Peñasquitos Elementary** has achieved 10/10 status three times, doing so in 2002, 2004, and 2006.

"We continue to excel with our API scores, and we continue to see gains in our similar school ranks. These outstanding results are a tribute to the students, parents, and staff of PUSD," said Don Phillips, PUSD Superintendent.

**POWAY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT SIMILAR SCHOOL RANKINGS AND  
ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE INDEX 2005 and 2006**

School Name	2005 API	2006 API	2005 State Rank	2006 State Rank	2005 Similar School Rank	2006 Similar School Rank
<b>Poway Unified School District</b>	<b>849</b>	<b>858</b>				
<b><i>Elementary Schools</i></b>						
Adobe Bluffs	896	911	10	10	7	6
Canyon View	896	907	10	10	8	9
Chaparral	894	923	10	10	4	8
Creekside	955	959	10	10	9	9
Deer Canyon	924	945	10	10	9	10
Garden Road	844	855	9	9	5	8
Highland Ranch	893	895	10	10	7	6
Los Peñasquitos	875	905	9	10	10	10
Midland	848	878	9	9	6	8
Morning Creek	894	879	10	9	5	5
Painted Rock	912	920	10	10	7	8
Park Village	917	938	10	10	4	6
Pomerado	849	843	9	8	9	7
Rolling Hills	878	913	9	10	8	10
Shoal Creek	897	903	10	10	5	6
Stone Ranch	881	886	10	9	2	2
Sundance	874	899	9	10	8	10
Sunset Hills	877	867	9	9	6	3
Tierra Bonita	896	895	10	10	5	6
Turtleback	880	904	9	10	6	7
Valley	773	793	6	7	6	8
Westwood	882	876	10	9	7	4
<b><i>Middle School</i></b>						
Bernardo Heights	878	879	10	10	7	7
Black Mountain	845	846	9	9	7	7
Meadowbrook	845	841	9	9	8	6
Mesa Verde	895	901	10	10	7	8
Oak Valley		890		10		9
Twin Peaks	868	873	10	10	7	8
<b><i>High School</i></b>						
Mt. Carmel	824	806	10	9	10	7
Poway	829	820	10	10	10	7
Rancho Bernardo	832	823	10	10	6	4
Westview	809	828	10	10	3	4