

# STUDENT ATTENDANCE

## NOTABLE FACTS:

Student attendance rates are a powerful predictor of achievement. Research shows that students with high attendance rates learn more. Attendance rates are also a useful indicator of the effect of school programs on student attitude. Students benefiting from instruction and actively engaged in school programs and extra curricular activities come to school more regularly.

## WHAT IS BEING MEASURED:

There were 180 instructional days in 2006. The chart showing the average percentage of instructional days that students attended is shown by elementary, middle, and high schools for 2002-2006. The second chart shows the average attendance rate for each school in Poway Unified.

### 5-Year Attendance Rates Summary

School Level	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Elementary	96.40%	96.19%	96.48%	96.47%	<b>96.40%</b>
Middle	96.38%	96.35%	96.30%	96.70%	<b>96.68%</b>
High	96.36%	96.28%	96.49%	96.56%	<b>96.48%</b>
District Average	96.38%	96.26%	96.44%	96.55%	<b>96.49%</b>

### 2005-2006 Attendance Rates

SCHOOL	ATTENDANCE
<b>ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS</b>	
Adobe Bluffs	96.3%
Canyon View	96.6%
Chaparral	96.2%
Creekside	96.9%
Deer Canyon	96.9%
Garden Road	95.9%
Highland Ranch	96.1%
Los Peñasquitos	96.5%
Midland	96.3%
Monterey Ridge <sup>1</sup>	-
Morning Creek	96.1%
Painted Rock	96.4%
Park Village	97.1%
Pomerado	96.3%
Rolling Hills	96.4%
Shoal Creek	96.7%
Stone Ranch	96.0%
Sundance	96.4%
Sunset Hills	96.2%
Tierra Bonita	96.7%
Turtleback	96.5%
Valley	95.5%
Westwood	96.0%

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<b>MIDDLE SCHOOLS</b>	
Bernardo Heights	96.8%
Black Mountain	96.1%
Meadowbrook	96.7%
Mesa Verde	96.9%
Oak Valley	96.4%
Twin Peaks	96.8%
<b>HIGH SCHOOLS</b>	
Mt. Carmel	96.1%
Poway	96.0%
Rancho Bernardo	96.4%
Westview	97.3%

<sup>1</sup> Monterey Ridge Elementary School not opened in 2005-2006

## WHAT THE RESULTS SHOW:

Attendance rates did not change significantly from elementary to middle to high school. Districtwide, students missed fewer than 7 days of school in 2006. No significant differences between schools is evident.

## NEXT STEPS:

Daily monitoring of attendance will continue as well as encouraging families to send children to school unless they are ill.