

HISTORY OF THE ACADEMY AT MEADOWBROOK



Miguel Carrillo, Ed.D.
Proud Principal

In Spring 2010, Dr. Miguel Carrillo formed a committee of teachers to explore strategies and approaches for developing an innovative approach to enhance access and opportunity for Meadowbrook students.

With the support of our district superintendent, Dr. John Collins, and the support for programs that promote success, relevance and future-readiness, Meadowbrook successfully formed *The Academy* and enthusiastically welcomed its first Academy families in Fall 2012.

Today, the vigor of *The Academy* continues. It provides students with a relevant, rigorous, and interest-oriented education that respects students' individual interests, while preparing them for the future. It emphasizes an extended day, grounded in collaborative and differentiated instruction, to address the individual needs of students.

Overall, *The Academy's* success is vested in the collective commitment of teachers, parents and students to move forward as one entity to uphold the values and fulfill the mission of *The Academy* at Meadowbrook.

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Photos provided by students in *The Academy's* Digital Photography II class.



Science



Language Arts



Math



Social Studies

CORE CLASSES

Language Arts

Mathematics

Physical Education

Science

Social Studies

TRADITIONAL ELECTIVES

The Academy offers a range of electives, including: Band, Orchestra, Choir, Spanish I, Spanish II, Art, Yearbook, Video Technology, Exploratory and AVID, a college-readiness program that aims to prepare students for college and success in a global society. Not every elective may be offered at all grade levels.

MISSION STATEMENT

*To meet the needs
of our diverse learners,
The Academy at Meadowbrook
will offer a unique experience that is competitive,
rigorous, differentiated, personally rewarding
and focused on the next generation of learners.*

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

High Expectations

The Academy has high expectations for academic achievement and conduct.

Choice and Commitment

Students, parents, and teachers have actively chosen to participate in *The Academy*.

Differentiated Time

The Academy provides students with additional time to pursue their personal interests and support their academic needs.

Focus on Results

Students are expected to take personal responsibility for their academic performance and their personal and social achievements.

Unity of Purpose

The success of *The Academy* is measured by the success of each individual student as well as the achievement of all students.



Physical Education



Academy students



Language Arts



“The best things about *The Academy* are the two electives you can choose and the friends you make.”

— Prerana, Class of 2017

LEADING-EDGE ELECTIVES

These electives, along with our Family/Village concept, are what help make *The Academy* distinguished and distinctive. Sixth-graders who choose the technology exploratory elective will have a trimester each of Computer Graphics, Digital Photography and Gateway to Technology. Seventh- and eighth-graders, however, will take the technology classes as year-long courses.

Computer Graphic Arts

Students evaluate, design and create graphic art through carefully designed, standards-based projects in Photoshop. The principles of graphic design are taught as students develop a unique, artistic style.

Digital Photography

An introduction to the scientific, artistic and graphic aspects of digital photography — including how digital cameras work, how to take quality photos and how to manipulate them using photography software.

Gateway to Technology

Features a project-based curriculum designed to challenge and engage students’ natural curiosity and imagination. Students envision, design and test their ideas as they study mechanical and computer control systems.

Intensive Spanish

Students have the opportunity to learn Spanish in this unique three-year program. After three years of study, Meadowbrook’s Academy students will be prepared to enter a high school Spanish level 5/6 class in the Poway Unified School District. This elective requires a three-year commitment.

Language Arts or Math Support

This elective will provide students with an opportunity to acquire the skills necessary for overall academic success using research-based practices.