Cerritos Elementary School
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- Located in Glendale, California
- Total of 440 students
  Grades TK - 6th Grade
- Total of 120 Preschoolers
- Total of 24 SDC Preschool students
Cerritos Elementary School

- Awarded the California Distinguished School in (2014)
- Awarded the California Title 1 Academic Achievement Award (2014)
- The California Business for Education Excellence Honor Roll (2014)
API Growth
Demographics

- Socio-economic Disadvantaged
- Not SED

- 85%
- 15%
- ELL - 182
  - Program 1 - 84
  - Program 2 - 98
- Students Reclassified in 2014-2015 - 32

Language Fluency

- IFEP: 34%
- RFEP: 16%
- ELL: 41%
- EO: 9%
Teacher Collaboration

- Banking Day **every** Tuesday
- Instruction begins 1 hour later
- Teacher collaboration time
  - Align lessons to CCSS
  - Plan lessons
  - Double Score
- Professional Development is provided
  - Technology
  - ELD
Teacher Collaboration

- **Common Core Instructional Team** - once a month
  - Attends district trainings
  - Provide trainings at ILT meetings

- **Instructional Leadership Team (ILT)** – once a month
  - Helps make instructional decisions to help guide the school.
  - Analyze data and take information back to grade level

- **Grade Level Meetings** – once a month during banking time
Focus in the Classroom

• Balanced approach with embedding both literary and non-fiction informational text on a daily basis.

• Academic vocabulary across all core curriculum.

• Document Based Questions in Social Studies
  • Primary sources
  • Document analysis
  • Essential question
  • Position taken with textual evidence
  • Students must write an extensive argumentative piece
Focus in the Classroom

- 4Cs – Critical Thinking, Collaboration, Creativity and Communication
- SWUN Mathematics Program
  - Aligned to CCSS
  - Mathematical language with written responses
  - Protocol for sharing responses and reaching consensus with peers
  - Math tasks that resemble real-life scenarios
Professional Development

- District provided trainings for the Common Core Instructional Team –
  - 3 modules focusing on Common Core and 21st Century skills

- Common Core Instructional Team provided trainings to entire staff during release days

- SWUN Math Coach provided on site training to all teachers

- Dr. Frank Rodriguez from RISE provided F.A.S.T. training and coaching to all grade levels.
Focused Adaptable Structure Teaching Framework (FAST)

- FAST Framework is used across all core curriculum
- Lesson design helps teacher focus on purpose of lesson
  - Declarative lesson
  - Procedural lesson
Best Practices

- **Thinking Maps** – organization planners used to facilitate comprehension and organize ideas.
On Line Reading and Math Program

- Student K-6th grade are using iReady
  - Computer program that adapts to each student’s individualized needs.
  - Monitors student’s progress
  - Both in Mathematics and Reading
  - 1 hour a week per subject
  - Beginning of year assessment, mid-year, end of year
  - Data is analyzed by teachers
  - Data is used for intervention purposes
  - Ready Common Core Materials
Cerritos Elementary School

Urgent Message

Achieving Excellence Together!

Good News

• Cerritos received the California Distinguished School Award (2014).
• Cerritos received the California Title 1 Academic Achievement Award (2014).
• 2013-2014 School wide attendance rate was 96%.

Urgent Statement

Bold Steps

• Continue implementation of Focused Adaptable-Structure Teaching (FAST) Framework when delivering Core Instruction.
• For each lesson the learning objective is articulated and matches the independent practice.
• Continue to deepen the work of collaborative teams.

![iReady Reading Data](chart)

- 42% On Grade Level
- 23% 1 Level Below
- 35% More than 1 Level Below

![iReady Math Data](chart)

- 31% On Grade Level
- 13% 1 Level Below
- 26% More than 1 Level Below
iReady DATA
Looking at Data
Math Data

Initial Assessment
- 19%
- 32%
- 49%

Mid Year Assessment
- 14%
- 38%
- 48%
Reading Data

Initial Assessment
- 21%
- 37%
- 42%

Mid Year Assessment
- 17%
- 42%
- 41%
Technology

- Computer Lab with 30 Mac Desktops
- 2 Chromebook carts with 40 devices each.
- Library equipped with 40 computers
Technology

• All students Preschool – 6th Grade use Technology on a weekly basis

• Teachers teach iSafe Lessons – online program that equips students with critical thinking and decision-making skills needed to be safe online.
Technology

All students grades K- 6th are:

- Coding
- Keyboarding
- Working on 3 technology projects - 1 per trimester as part of our Technology Plan
Students Coding
Tech Buddies
Technology

- Upper Grade Students are:
  - Collaborating on Google Drive
  - Collaborating on Google Classroom
Fine Arts Day

- Fine Arts Day is an annual event
  - Teachers teach 2 art classes all day
  - A specific artist or art style are taught to students
  - **ALL** students participate
  - Art is displayed at Open House in our Art Gallery
After School Activities

- Robotics
- Caesura Music Classes – 4 days a week
- Art Classes
- Chorus
- Ignite Dance
- Girls on the Run
- After School Organized Sports
Caesura Music Group

Color Me Mine Art
After School Sports
Girls on the Run

Ignite Dance
Robotics
Community Partnerships

- Color Me Mine
- Glendale Memorial Hospital
- Nestle
- Forest Lawn
- Lexus of Glendale
- Kiwanis Club
- Horace Mann Insurance Co.
Color Me Mine
Nestle and Forest Lawn

Horace Mann Insurance Co.
Great Kindness Challenge
Parent Involvement

- Bi-monthly Coffee with Principal parent meetings
- Parent Volunteer Group in Parent Center
- Parent Volunteers in the classroom
- Parent Workshops are offered at school site by district
- Active parent members in School Site Council and English Language Advisory Committees
- Parents volunteer at school events (Open House, International Festival, fundraisers)
Parent-School Communication

- All parent communication is translated
- Flyers and notices are sent in Thursday Folder on a weekly basis
- Website information updated and posted
- Weekly call outs are made every Sunday
  - Messages are translated in Spanish and Armenian
Looking at 2015-2016

- More technology is needed in the classroom
- More technology Professional Development
- Continue with our School’s motto’s

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