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Desert Pines GEAR UP Abstract

Desert Pines High School serves approximately 2700 students: 52% male, 48% female. The diverse population includes 0.4% American Indian/Alaskan Native, 15.1% African American, 3.2% Asian/Pacific Islander, 73.5% Hispanic, and 7.8% Caucasian. Additionally, 26.2% of the population is identified as LEP, 6.6% IEP, and 56.4% as Free or Reduced Lunch program.

Desert Pines has restructured its programs by designating a Lower School and an Upper School. The Sophomore Success Program continues the individual student support initiated in the Freshman Academy during 2008-2009. The school improvement goals and objectives include improved achievement for AYP benchmarks in mathematics. Nevada State GEAR UP will support these efforts through on campus, after school tutoring and NSHPE test preparation. Counselors will monitor academic progress and assure students participate in core subject after school homework help when necessary. Each student's Academic Plan encourages registration in challenging courses. Results from the PSAT and PLAN assessments will be discussed with each GEAR UP student and used to focus attention on individual strengths and areas for improvement.

Parent nights scheduled for each semester will focus on parental support for students' aspirations, academic vocabulary, and financial planning for post-secondary opportunities.

The Academic Plan also assures each student participates in a field trip to a NSHE campus program related to personal aptitudes and interests. NSHE representatives will be invited to the parent events.

Mauricio Molina, Assistant Principal, will provide program oversight.