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Yerington High School GEAR UP Abstract

The Yerington High School (YHS) GEAR UP Program for the 2010-2011 school year will once again continue to focus on academic achievement, college preparation, career awareness, and parental involvement.

This year's junior GEAR UP student population will be 28 students, which is approximately 22% of the entire junior class. There are 15 girls and 13 boys. The student population demographics for this year are 39% Native American, which come from two Indian reservations, the Walker River Paiute Tribe in Schurz and the Yerington Paiute Tribe, 21% Hispanic, and 39% Caucasian. Seventy percent of the GEAR UP students qualify for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program.

Out of the 27 GEAR UP students who took the Nevada High School Proficiency Exams for the first time at YHS, 25 students passed the reading exam (93%), 17 passed the math exam (63%), and 13 students passed the science exam (48%). Students needing remediation will be required to take the related proficiency course(s) offered at YHS. Teacher/student mentoring will take place this year in our Advisory classes. Students will again have access to tutoring available after school through the Yerington Paiute Tribe, Walker River Paiute Tribe, and/or the Boys & Girls Club of Mason Valley. The ACT fees will be paid for by the grant for all GEAR UP students, with the results being communicated to both the students and parents at the spring student/parent/teacher conferences. The students will also be encouraged to take the PSAT, as well as, the SAT.

Individual Learning Plans (ILPs), which are now called 5 year Academic Plans, will continue to be revisited and modified with every GEAR UP student. The students will continue to utilize the Career Cruising™ program to track and update their career explorations, plan their futures, and create a resume. Career awareness and college preparation will be provided through the following activities and events: Overnight campus visits to UNLV, CSN and NSC, a College and Career Fair hosted by YHS, other individual visits from college representatives, along with continued participation in WNC's "Bridge to Success" campus visits and Tech Prep assemblies and field trips. YHS has articulated agreements with WNC in our welding, accounting, and cabinet-marking programs, as well as, the availability of dual credit courses.

Yerington High School plans to host GEAR UP back to school and End of Year meetings, financial aid and scholarship nights, financial literacy workshops, cultural events, motivational speakers, and parent nights throughout the school year. Parental involvement and participation will be encouraged at all student activities and special events. College visits for the parents/guardians will be planned to help prepare them for their child's postsecondary education options, as well. We look forward to successfully completing this year's goals for another great school year!