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Solano County Schools Recognized for Positive Behavior Practices

Fairfield - Solano County Office of Education (SCOE) is launching the fourth year of its countywide implementation of Positive Behavior Intervention and Support (PBIS). Between the 2014-15 and 2016-2017 school years, SCOE organized and hosted trainings for 49 schools from Benicia, Dixon, Fairfield-Suisun, and Vacaville Unified School Districts (USD). Thirteen new schools, including Travis USD, are scheduled to participate in trainings during the 2017-18 school year.

The California PBIS Coalition initiated a statewide effort to recognize schools for implementing PBIS with commitment and effectiveness. Sites were able to apply for Bronze, Silver, Gold, or Platinum PBIS Schools recognition. SCOE is proud to announce that 12 schools from Solano County received an award for their efforts during the 2016-17 school year. County Superintendent of Schools Lisette Estrella-Henderson extended her congratulations stating "these schools exemplify the type of collaborative work that can improve behavior and increase student engagement with learning. The Solano County Office of Education will continue support district school teams. We applied their strong leadership and passion for establishing a safe and productive environment for all our students."

Gold Recognition Schools: Eugene Padan Elementary School, Vacaville USD and Suisun Elementary School, Fairfield-Suisun USD

Silver Recognition Schools: B. Gale Wilson K-8 School, Fairfield-Suisun USD; Matt Garcia Career and College Academy, Fairfield-Suisun USD; Crystal Middle School, Fairfield-Suisun USD; David A. Weir K-8 Preparatory Academy, Fairfield-Suisun USD; Robert Semple Elementary School, Benicia USD; Fairmont Charter Elementary School, Vacaville USD; Green Valley Middle School, Fairfield-Suisun USD; Hemlock Elementary School, Vacaville USD; K. I. Jones Elementary School, Fairfield-Suisun USD; Laurel Creek Elementary School, Fairfield-Suisun USD

PBIS is an evidence-based approach to establishing a positive school culture and proactively reinforcing expected behaviors of all students. Students are taught schoolwide expectations to improve school safety and promote positive behavior. The goal is to enhance the capacity of students to recognize and adopt positive behaviors, for educators to develop strategies that support positive choices, and to minimize the need for traditional discipline.

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