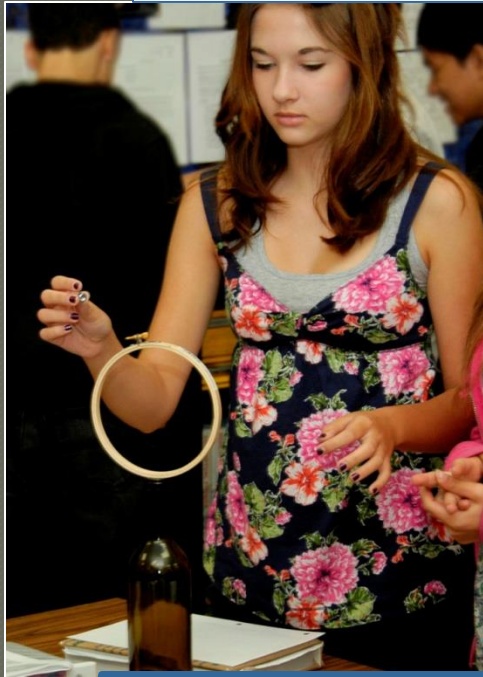


# WESTERN SIERRA COLLEGIATE ACADEMY



**Family Information Night**

**February 15<sup>th</sup> 2017**

# Tonight's Agenda

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- Welcome!
- Introductions
- School Programs

# Administration

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- Chelsea Bowler-Shelton      Principal
- Chip Kling      Vice-Principal / School Counselor
- Scott Crosson      Vice-Principal / Student Activities
- Mike Wells      Vice-Principal / Athletic Director
- Michelle Allen      Registrar
- Taunie Womeldorf      Counseling Tech
- Donna Walsh      District Registrar

# History of Excellence

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- Western Sierra: finishing sixth year of operation as the Rocklin Academy secondary school.
  - Academic Program & Recognition
  - Awards
  - Growth

# Outstanding College Preparatory Academic Program

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## ● Academic Design

- Middle school courses designed to prepare for Advanced Placement courses
- AP Courses begin in 10<sup>th</sup> grade
- Four AP courses required for graduation
- Graduates earn an UC a-g diploma making them eligible for apply for all four year universities in the country
- WASC Full Accreditation

# Accolades

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- Awarded “Best of the Best” Middle and High School by Placer Herald readers 2013-14
- Blue Ribbon School 2015
- 2 National Merit Scholarship Semifinalists – 2017 NMSQT Program
- US News & World Report – one of the top schools in the nation
- Niche.com – Ranked #9 of 353 charter schools in the state

# Accolades

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- Awarded Best Charter School in Sacramento – [niche.com](http://niche.com)
- Top tier university acceptances
  - Yale, Stanford, Harvard, MIT, Duke, UCLA, UC Berkeley, Cal Tech among others
- State Science Fair finalists
- Incredible teachers to make it all happen!

# Western Sierra Growth

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- 2011-12                      325                      New campus
- 2012-13                      545
- 2013-14                      725
- 2017-18                      Projected 780

# Keys to Drawing the Best from EVERY Student

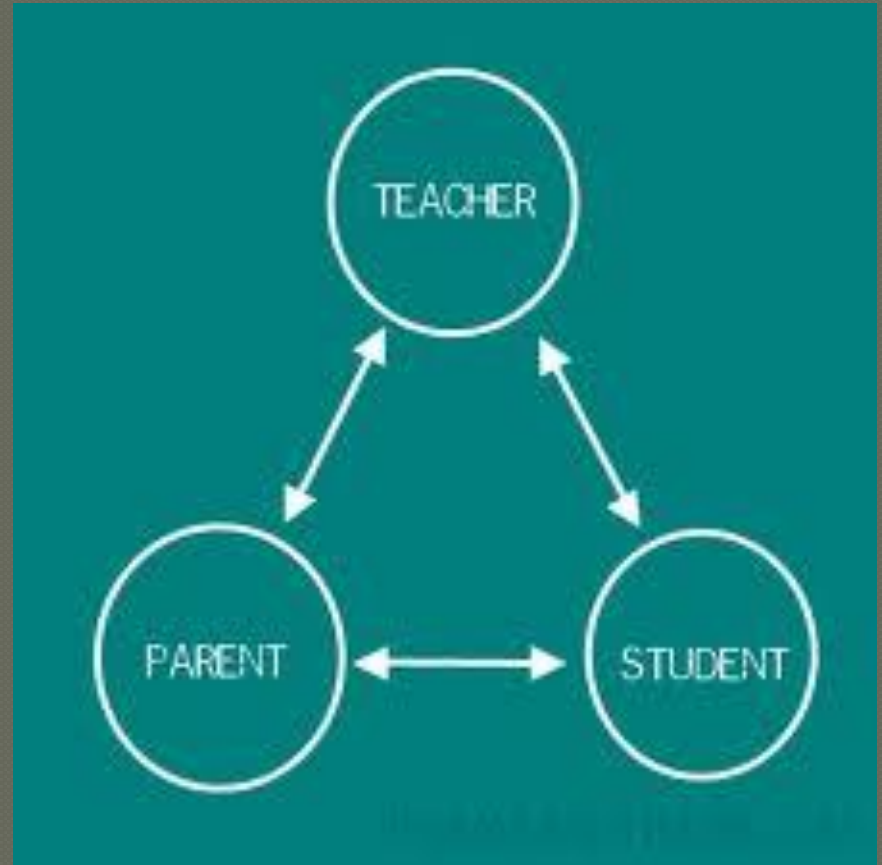
- High expectations
- A small school culture
- Active, involved parents
- Scaffolded Curriculum
- Highly qualified teachers



# Partnership for Success

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- Engaged students
- Highly qualified teachers
- Parent School Partnership (PSP)



# Commitment to Student Learning

- Mastery Learning Model
- Response to Intervention based on student need
- Teachers available for Enrichment Opportunities
- Students are not anonymous



# Parent Perspective

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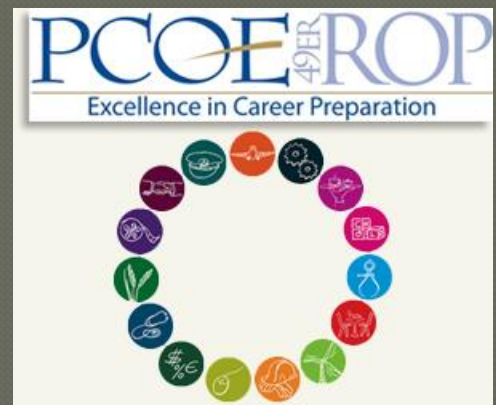
# Grades 7&8 Course Offerings

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- ◉ History
- ◉ English
- ◉ Math
- ◉ Science
- ◉ Intro to Spanish / Intro to Mandarin (7)
- ◉ Elective classes:
  - Creative Writing, PE, Visual Arts: Band, Choir, Theater Arts

# Dual & Concurrent Enrollment

Students will receive high school credit for college courses or other high school equivalent courses



# Grades 9-12 Four Year Plan

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# Advanced Placement

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- Starts in 10<sup>th</sup> grade
- Potential to earn college credit based on exam score
- Save time & money for college
- Increase college readiness skills

# Advanced Placement Courses

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- AP World History (10<sup>th</sup>)
- AP US History (11<sup>th</sup>)
- AP Government & Politics (12<sup>th</sup>)
- AP Psychology (11<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup>)
- AP English Language (11<sup>th</sup>)
- AP English Literature (12<sup>th</sup>)
- AP Calculus AB & BC (11<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>)
- AP Statistics (11<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>)
- AP Biology (11<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>)
- AP Physics (11<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>)
- AP Mandarin
- AP Spanish Language (11<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup>)

# Community Service

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- We believe students who give back to their community will be a more productive citizen.
- 60 Hours required for graduation

# Inspire Students to Strive for Intellectual and Creative Excellence

- Quarterly Awards
  - WS Mission
  - Student of the Quarter
  - Academic Excellence
  - C-PREP
- Semester Awards
  - Honor Roll
  - Principal's Honor Roll



# Deep Appreciation for the Arts



## ◉ Music Ensembles

- High School Band
- High School Choirs
- Quarterly Performances

## ◉ Visual Arts

- Student Art Show

## ◉ Performing/Theater Arts

- Annual Spring Musical

## ◉ ...and more to come!



# Athletics Teams

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- Cross Country
- Boys Soccer
- Girls Volleyball
- Cheerleading
- Boys Basketball
- Girls Basketball
- Track & Field

- Boys Volleyball
- Girls Soccer
- Football - HS
- Baseball - HS
- Softball - HS

...and growing!

# Clubs and Activities

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- Student initiated, parent led, faculty sponsored clubs
- Variety of clubs for students to choose from, or students may propose their own!
- Associated Student Body (ASB)



# Student Perspective

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# Next Steps for New Families

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# Next Steps for Western Sierra Families

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# Questions?

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How can we help you make the best decision for your student's educational future?



# Self Guided Tour

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Thank you for coming to  
Western Sierra  
Collegiate Academy