

Flex-Based, Personalized Learning Schools Recognized as Honor Roll Schools by Educational Results Partnership

June 4, 2024, Sacramento, CA -- The Association of Personalized Schools and Services

(APLUS+) is happy to announce that eight APLUS+ member schools have been named to the <u>Educational Results Partnership (ERP) Honor Roll</u>, which recognizes top schools in California that have outperformed their peers in closing achievement gaps, particularly among higher-poverty and historically disadvantaged student populations.

APLUS+ member schools are tuition-free, public charter schools that provide flex-based, personalized learning instruction to students throughout the state. The APLUS+ member schools that made the Honor Roll are:

- Sage Oak Charter School
- Excel Academy Charter School (San Bernardino)
- Excel Academy Charter School (San Diego)
- Sky Mountain Charter School
- Phoenix Charter Academy College View
- Shasta Charter Academy
- Cottonwood Creek Charter
- The Cottonwood School

"We are thrilled that APLUS+ member schools were recognized for improving educational outcomes and ensuring equity, especially for low-income and disadvantaged students," said Jeff Rice, Founder/Director of APLUS+. "These schools are shining examples of how flexible and personalized instruction delivered through innovative teaching models can make a profound and positive difference in students' lives."

Honor Roll schools and districts represent those that were comprehensively higher performing on the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP) English Language Arts and Math Assessments, for all cohorts of student populations served, and that are improving outcomes for historically underserved student populations.

All of APLUS+ member schools on the Honor Roll serve a diverse student population and have at least 33 percent of students designated as socioeconomically disadvantaged.

The Honor Roll, presented by Educational Results Partnership (ERP), is part of the national <u>Campaign for Business and Education Excellence</u> (CBEE). The Campaign engages business leaders in recognizing successful schools and educational systems that are preparing students with the fundamental skills needed to be successful in the workforce and in life. The Honor Roll is the only school recognition program presented in partnership with state and

local business leaders and using solely objective student achievement data as the criteria. The goal of the Honor Roll is to find and highlight successful schools and districts and encourage collaboration among educators on best practices for raising student achievement. Approximately 17% of eligible schools and 14% of eligible districts made the Honor Roll list.

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