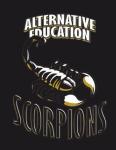


Alternative Education Center 2023 — 2024 School Year

## Board Meeting Presentation April 9, 2024



# Mission Statement



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### MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Silver Valley Alternative Education Center (AEC) is to provide an educational environment where all students can succeed academically and mature personally while acquiring the essential critical thinking skills needed for careers in the 21st century.

Respect

Efficacy

Achieve

Life-Long

Success



### VISION STATEMENT

The Alternative Education Center (AEC) will create a safe and constructive learning environment which promotes academic growth and maximizes personal success for all students. Through these techniques, we will develop interpersonal skills and ensure the creation of life-long learners.





## School-Wide Learner Outcomes (SLOs)

Plan for Keeping it **R.E.A.L.** at the AEC.



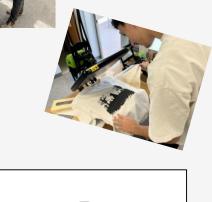
Students will be able to demonstrate respect for themselves, others, and the environment; specifically, exemplifying empathy, kindness, and valuing the diversity of backgrounds, perspectives, and experiences that make up a school community.



Students will be able to develop and maintain a passion for learning, and acquire the skills and dispositions required for continuous growth and development in life after high school.



Students will be able to demonstrate confidence in their ability to succeed academically, manage their time effectively, and self-advocate.



Achieve

Students will be able to set goals, demonstrate a commitment to excellence, and achieve success in a variety of academic, social emotional, and extracurricular pursuits.







## WASC Goals

- Granted 6-year WASC Accreditation during the 2018 – 2019 school year.
  - WASC Visit in September 2024



### WASC Goal #1

Improve student achievement as measured on the CAASPP, course grades, and graduation rate. Also, decrease the number of students who are chronically absent and suspended from school.

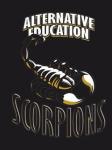
### WASC Goal #2

Provide staff with continued professional development opportunities to expand knowledge and implementation of Project-Based Learning, Restorative Practices, and Social Emotional Learning.

### WASC Goal #3

Utilize technology, online presence, and other forums to increase communication and engagement with all stakeholders.







# Future Goals & Areas of Focus

- L. Expanding CTE and Elective Course Offerings
- 2. Student and Community Engagement
  - Field Trips
  - School Activities
  - Family Events
  - Student-Led Clubs
  - Additional Forums for Communication
  - Guest Speakers
- 3. A-G Compliance
  - College and Career Ready
- 4. Social Emotional Supports
  - Additional Counseling Services
  - School-Wide Restorative Practices
  - g. Professional Development
    - Ongoing Training for Staff in Various Areas





# $Relationships \ are \ Foundational$

Relationships are a foundation and focus at the AEC to address WASC Goals #1 and #3.

 Provide supports, positive reinforcement, and incentive-based rewards to help students remain engaged, motivated, and exhibit a positive attitude that is conducive to a productive learning environment

- Social Emotional Learning (SEL)/Restorative Practices
  - Wayfinder SEL Program
  - RRIP Awards Assemblies Positive Reinforcement
    - Restorative Approaches to Behavior
      - Counseling/WellnessTogether
    - Holidays Contests/School-Wide Competitions
- Positive School Climate, Relationships, Communication







# Individual Supports

At the AEC, we seek opportunities to improve our educational plan for students to address WASC Goals #1 and #2.

- Regularly discuss data to drive decisionmaking as we develop plans and initiatives to improve our supports for student success
- Staff engages in professional development opportunities to ensure we provide high quality academic instruction and intervention strategies.

- Edmentum CA Standards-Based Coursework
  - Flexible Programs
  - Individualized Academic Plans
  - A-G Compliance for All Students
    - Project-Based Learning
  - Senior Portfolio/Career Explorations
    - SAT Administration
      - ASVAB
    - College Application Assistance
      - Post-Graduation Support





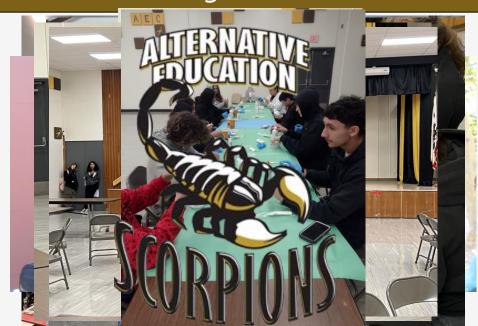


# Community Building

Community Building is a focal point to address WASC Goal #3.

 Develop and maintain productive engagement from all students and stakeholders to build school pride and improved connection between the school and community

- Associated Student Body (ASB)
- School Newsletter/Social Media
  - School Site Council
    - Yearbook Team
    - Anchored4Life
  - AEC-SVHS Sports Agreement
    - Site Strategic Planning
- Community and Family Events
- College and Career Field Trips
- Awards & Recognition Assemblies







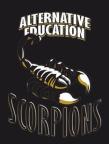
# Enriching Learning Experiences

At the AEC, our mission and vision address WASC Goals #1 and #2:

 Ensure that we provide a rich and comprehensive learning experience that extends beyond academics and prepares students for life after high school.

- Yearbook/PhotographyTeam
  - Real-World Application
    - Hands-On Learning
    - Career Exploration
    - Work-Based Learning
- Opportunities to Explore Creativity
  - Project-Based Learning
    - District Projects
    - Culinary Arts
    - AEC Print Shop





## AEC Achievement 2023 – 2024 School Year

We are truly proud of all R.E.A.L. AEC Scorpions!

# Class of 2024 Graduates (as of 4/9/2024) Calico HS/Silver Valley Academy — 12 ; Projected — 24

Silver Valley Adult School – 6 ; Projected – 10







#### DAILY PRESS

DUCATION

### Calico Continuation High School recognized for excellence



Victorville Daily Press

Silver Valley Unified School District's Calico Continuation High School was one of 31 schools in California recognized as Model Continuation High Schools for 2024

The San Bernardino County-based Calico Continuation High School is located at 33525 Ponnay Street in Daggett, near Yermo and east of Barstow.

Model Continuation High Schools provide comprehensive services to at-risk youth through the use of exemplary instructional strategies, flexible scheduling, and guidance and counseling services, according to the California Department of Education.

Calico Continuation High School Principal Brice Scott said he is proud and excited to be recognized as a Model Continuation High School.

"This recognition is not only a testament to the dedication of our outstanding staff, but also a celebration of the unwavering pursuit of excellence demonstrated by each of our students," he said.

In a letter, State Superintendent Tony Thurmond congratulated Calico staff and students.

"I commend you for demonstrating extraordinary commitment to your students and their families," Thurmond wrote. "By providing your students with a myriad of educational options, mental health resources, and other support services, you have addressed their needs, elevated their strengths and assets, and set them on a traiectory for success."

Thurmond said the school exemplifies the power of listening "through this whole student's ears" to understand, respect, and value their goals, challenges, and lived experiences.

"This comprehensive support has prepared them with the necessary skills to move forward successfully completing high school, transitioning to higher education, academic

and/or vocational, and entering the workforce," Thurmond said.

Karen Gray, Silver Valley Unified School District board president also shared her excitement about the school's recognition.

"We are so proud to be recognized as a model program," Gray stated. "Above all, we are so grateful for the staff who guide, teach and support our wonderful students to success."

Superintendent Jesse Najera said that the honor is a direct reflection of the unwavering dedication and exceptional efforts of the AEC community.

"Scott and his team are doing great things for our kids and setting them up for great succes in their future," Najera said.

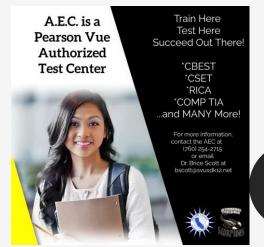
Scott extended the school's gratitude to the Silver Valley community, parents, and all stakeholders for their invaluable support throughout this journey.

"I am sincerely grateful to be part of such a great team that continuously goes above and beyond to ensure the exceptional success and well-being of our students," Scott said.

More than 430 continuation high schools serve close to 51,000 students throughout the state.

To see the full list of model continuation schools that were honored, visit ede.ca.gov.

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We, the AEC, thank you all for your time and continued support.



