

Business Plan – Leadership Academy

Vision/Mission

Our vision is to provide the children of PRCS with a quality education by focusing on local and global issues and responsibilities that build the character of the whole child intellectually, physically, emotionally, and socially, with the goal of preparing them to become productive and responsible citizens in a democratic society. Our mission is to prepare students for high school and beyond. Students in this academy will become problem solvers, critical thinkers, effective communicators, respectful, trustworthy leaders, and engaged citizens.



Programs

6th Grade Academy (Chair is Ms. Shumate)

- Stepping into community service – 6th graders will focus on taking leadership roles within our school community (5 hours a semester); all 6th graders will have an elective called *A Bridge to College & Career*
- Field trips to include Getty Villas, Topanga State Park, Korean Cultural Center, Theatricum Botanicum

7th Grade Academy (Chair is Mrs. Martellaro)

- 7th graders will focus on taking leadership roles within our community of Porter Ranch (10 hours per semester)
- 7th and 8th graders will have the opportunity to sign up for *BizKids*
- Field trips to include LACMA, Shakespearian (65 students), Noise Within, City Hall

8th Grade Academy (Chair is Ms. Lavin)

- 8th graders will focus on taking leadership roles in our city of Los Angeles (10 hours per semester)
- Field trips to include Museum of Tolerance, Ronald Reagan Museum, CSUN or UCLA college field trip

Culminating Activity

- 6th Grade: Create a poster and write an essay about stepping into community service
- 7th Grade: Create PowerPoint of lessons learned in elective classes and community service
- 8th Grade: Malibu Team Building Field Trip (VT Ranch) - must meet all community service hour requirements to participate

Accountability

- Surveys at the end of the year for teachers, parents, and students



Long-term Goals

- Form a Parents' Community Service Committee
- Recognition for our top student volunteers
- More professional development for teachers
- Establish a Community Service Fair
- Fully implement the Leadership Academy

Budget

Budget Item	Cost
Supplies for leadership classes	\$1,500
Leadership field trip for 8 th graders	5,000
Other field trips	5,000
Art supplies	1,000
Core literature books	2,000
Science materials & SmartBoard apps	2,200
Professional develop.	4000
Laptops	10,000
Academy t-shirts	1,300
Chair stipends	3,000
Director stipend	<u>2,500</u>
Total	\$37,700

Professional Development

- Leadership conference for lead teachers (\$350 per teacher and Ms. Melvin)
- Professional development for 6th grade teachers for *A Bridge to College & Career* (free)
- CMC math conference in Palm Springs (\$250 fee per teacher plus lodging for 2 or 3 teachers and subs for one day for each teacher)
- Local conference for science teachers (\$250 fee for each teacher and subs for one day for each teacher)

Wish List

- Computer Lab exclusively for Middle School
- Waggle for Middle School (pricing TBD)
- More Middle School related books in the library for middle school students
- Virtual Reality Kit to be used for virtual field trips to museums for history and science (\$10,000 for a set of 30)
- Laptops for every student
- NSTA (National Science Teacher Association) Conference (\$1,000)