



East Side Union High School District
Student Handbook

2008-2009

Alternative Education



Apollo



Phoenix

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Apollo High School

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“Providing Educated Citizens Who Make a Global Difference”



Apollo High School is an alternative high school located on site at William C. Overfelt High School. Apollo is a “school of choice” where the staff invites students to come to school to get a quality education and to accomplish their goal of high school graduation. It is a state accredited institution where students get a quality education and earn a regular high school diploma. It has a diverse ethnic student population of 160 Juniors and Seniors.

Apollo High School has two sessions each day Monday through Thursday. Half of the students attend morning classes from 7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and half attend the afternoon sessions from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

On most Fridays all students are in class from 7:45 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. attending elective courses.

Additionally, students are also offered CCOC, Adult Education, individual subject contracts and Evergreen Valley College classes in order to earn credits.

Students are offered a challenging, integrated curriculum with lots of caring attention and positive support. Students are soon committed to helping themselves progress toward graduation.

At Apollo High School the students have an opportunity to make up credits through a variable credit system allowing them to make up credits in a manner that the traditional high schools can not. All credits earned are transferable to any accredited institution.

Students must be referred to Apollo High School by the Associate Principal or counselor at their home school.

Attendance

Attendance is critical for Apollo students. They must be on time and in classes every day. Four hours must be completed daily in order for students to receive full credit. Loss of time due to lack of attendance equals loss of credit. A recovery time is assigned for those students needing to make up classes missed.

Apollo High School Offers Students

- * A change to earn high school credits towards graduation through a variable credit program
- * Self-discipline and responsibility
- * Classes that build self-esteem and self-awareness
- * Career and college planning
- * Family conferencing
- * The opportunity for public service

School Calendar

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Dress Code

The appearance of students while at school has a direct impact on behavior and learning. For this reason, the following standards for student dress have been established. The following common dress requirements apply to all students. Students must come to school each day in the common dress theme that has been established by the students, parents, and staff of Apollo High School. The following applies to all students when they are on the Apollo High School campus and during school sponsored activities. "Campus" includes the area in front and in back of the school.

Pants: Full length, black ONLY. No shorts or skirts are permitted.

Shirts: White Polo-type shirt ONLY.

Sweatshirts: Black ONLY. No team jackets or shirts, i.e. Raiders, 49ers, Sharks, etc. or logos other than Apollo High School.

Shoes: Must be worn at all times. Black or White ONLY.

Belt: Black no initials or logos on buckle.

Backpacks: Black ONLY.

Hats, Caps, Head Covering: To promote courtesy and good manners, hats, caps and other head covering may not be worn on campus by males or females.

Sizes: To encourage a wholesome academic environment, all pants are to be worn at the waist. Generally, clothing that is more than one size larger than the student's current size or is "baggy or saggy" is not acceptable.

To Promote a Safe Environment: Writing on personal items such as jackets, backpacks, and clothing will not be allowed. Clothing that promotes alcohol, tobacco, drugs or sex may not be worn. Only the student's name, written in plain block letters, is permitted on the backpack. No red or blue backpacks or accessories.

Enrollment Procedures

To enroll in Apollo, a referral must be made. A counselor, a villa principal, or an administrator usually completes this form. The student and his/her parent or guardian attend a one-hour orientation with the Apollo principal. If it has been determined the student's placement is appropriate, she/he will be called when there is an opening to start attending Apollo High School. The student should continue to attend whatever educational site she/he has been attending until such a call is made.



Genesis High School

at

Evergreen Valley College

Coordinator: Yovi Murillo

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Mission Statement

To provide a safe and caring learning environment where students achieve the academic, personal and social development required to continue learning, pursue post secondary education, compete in a dynamic job market and participate in a diverse, democratic society.

Bell Schedules

Regular Schedule

Homeroom 12:30 p.m. - 1:10 p.m.

Period 1,3,5 1:15 p.m. - 2:35 p.m.

Period 2,4,6 2:40 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Minimum Day Schedule

Staff Meeting/Holiday Schedule

Homeroom 12:30 p.m. - 1:10 p.m.

Period 1 1:15 p.m. - 2:20 p.m.

Period 2 2:25 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Final Exam Schedule

May 27, 2009

Elective 12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Homeroom 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

May 28 & 29, 2009

Homeroom 12:30 p.m. - 12:45 p.m.

Period 3/5 12:50 p.m. - 2:05 p.m.

Period 4/6 2:15 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Administration

Administrative Coordinator:	Yovi Murillo
Social Studies:	Gary Pooler
English:	Susan Tobias
Math:	Armando Townsend
Science:	Craig England
Administrative Assistant:	TBA

Expectations of All Genesis Students:

1. Excellent attendance in all classes.
2. 100% cooperation/communication with all staff.
3. Complete one college course per semester.
4. Complete 30 credits per semester.
5. Follow established policies/codes.
6. Represent Genesis with pride.

School-wide Activities

Fall Open House	September TBA
Winter Social	December TBA
Spring Open House	March TBA

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** Parent/Guardian is to contact school with daily student absences.

Pegasus High School

Coordinator: Chantal Chatman

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San Jose, CA 95133

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Mission Statement

Our mission is to provide students with educational skills, social skills, and social consciousness, through step-by-step accomplishments; while building student self-esteem, self motivation, and self-determination to succeed in an adult world.

Vision

With great care and pride, we will teach all students to use the power of their mind to achieve academic, personal and social success.

Welcome

Welcome to Pegasus High School. Located on Independence High Schools campus, Pegasus enrolls 120 students and has a staff of eight. Students come to Pegasus needing to “catch up” on credits, to improve attendance, and to set challenging yet achievable goals for themselves. Pegasus is dedicated to providing a quality education in a small, nurturing environment. Although students attend Pegasus for 3 1/2 hours a day, all students are expected to reach out into our community and take classes offered at other sites.

Pegasus students participate in a variety of outside educational opportunities in order to earn additional credits toward graduation. For example, in a typical school year, students acquire credits from many different educational sources:

- Pegasus students enrolled in courses at the Central County Occupational Center Program (CCOC)
- Pegasus students enrolled in courses at Adult Education
- Pegasus students enrolled in courses directly on a junior college campus

Pegasus offers a variety of services to meet the needs of our students. These include:

Health Office—Independence High School offers students medical attention. Pegasus students use this service for everything from cold symptoms to advice on family planning.

Clinical Counseling—Independence High School offers free one-on-one personal and crisis counseling, along with group counseling. Students may obtain counseling on a wide array of topics, including how to deal with a difficult relationship to learning how to grieve the death of a loved one.

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Bell Schedules

A.M. Schedule: Mondays

Period 0	7:40	-	8:45
Period 1	8:45	-	9:15
Period 2	9:15	-	9:45
Break	9:45	-	10:00
Period 3	10:00	-	10:30
Period 4	10:30	-	11:00

P.M. Schedule: Mondays

Period 5	11:09	-	12:14
Period 6	12:14	-	12:44
Period 7	12:44	-	1:14
Break	1:14	-	1:29
Period 8	1:29	-	1:59
Period 9	1:59	-	2:29

A.M. Schedule: Tuesdays- Fridays

Period 0	7:40	-	8:10
Period 1	8:10	-	8:55
Period 2	8:55	-	9:40
Break	9:40	-	9:55
Period 3	9:55	-	10:40
Period 4	10:40	-	11:25

P.M. Schedule: Tuesdays - Fridays

Period 5	11:35	-	12:05
Period 6	12:05	-	12:50
Period 7	12:50	-	1:35
Break	1:35	-	1:50
Period 8	1:50	-	2:35
Period 9	2:35	-	3:20

Staff Collaboration 2:29 - 3:30

Dress Code

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PANTS, SHORTS, SKIRTS: Solid black ONLY. These items must have hems. Shorts or skirts must be as long as the student's fingertips when their hands are down at their sides.

SHIRTS: Pegasus black t-shirt ONLY. Each student is given 2 shirts upon enrollment. No other shirt is permitted. Additional t-shirts may be purchased for \$5.00 each.

SWEATSHIRTS, SWEATERS, VESTS, JACKETS: Black or white ONLY. NO HOODS allowed on any coat/jacket/sweatshirt. Not permitted: writing, designs, or team logos anywhere.

SHOES: Must be worn at all times. Black, white, or black and white, with only black or white laces.

BELT: Black only. No color, initials, or logos on buckle.

JEWELRY: Earrings, necklaces, bracelets, rings – gold, silver, black or white only. Not permitted: Pocket chains.

SOCKS or TIGHTS: Black or white only.

HATS, CAPS, HEAD COVERING: Hats, caps, hoods, scarves are NOT allowed at any time on the Pegasus campus. Hair scrunchies, hair bands, ribbons, barrettes, or other hair ornaments must be black, white, silver, or gold.

HAIR COLOR: Hair can be dyed, but cannot be any form of BLUE or RED. No burgundy, pink, purple, blue or red dye.

BACKPACKS: Solid Black or White only. No writing, patches or anything allowed on backpack. No colored or cartoon character backpacks.

To promote a safe environment: Tagging on personal items such as jackets, backpacks, clothing, notebooks, binders etc. is not allowed.

Violation of the Common Dress Policy: parents may be notified and student may be sent home and will be required to make up the time missed in class.

STUDENT ID BADGES:

East Side Union High School District policy mandates student ID badges. The badges are part of the Pegasus *common dress policy and must be worn at all times. Students without an ID badge may be sent home and must make up time missed. Students can buy an ID badge BEFORE or AFTER each session ONLY for \$5.00.

Enrollment Procedures

To enroll in Pegasus, a referral must be made from the student's home school. A counselor, a villa principal, or an administrator usually completes this form. After the referral is accepted, a student must pass a basic reading and math test. Testing takes place at Pegasus prior to being accepted for an orientation appointment. Then the student and his/her parent or guardian attend a half an hour orientation. After the orientation, the student will meet individually with a member of the Pegasus staff. If it has been determined the student's placement is appropriate, she/he will be notified either then or later when there is an opening to start attending Pegasus High School. The student should continue to attend whatever educational site she/he has been attending until such a notification is made.



Phoenix High School

Coordinator: Mr. Bill Tomlinson
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Mission Statement

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Bell Schedules

Monday to Thursday Schedule

<u>A.M. Schedule</u>			<u>P.M. Schedule</u>		
Periods 1 & 2	7:45 -	9:20	Periods 5 & 6	11:30 -	1:05
Break	9:20 -	9:35	Break	1:05 -	1:20
Periods 3 & 4	9:40 -	11:15	Periods 7 & 8	1:25 -	3:00

Friday (Elective Day) Schedule

Period 1	7:45 -	8:45
Period 2	8:50 -	9:50
Break	9:50 -	10:10
Period 3	10:15 -	11:15

**Note: Monday-Thursday classes are 95 minute block periods. Friday ALL students attend A.M. session classes unless otherwise instructed.*

Staff

Coordinator:	Mr. Bill Tomlinson
Secretary:	TBA
English Teacher:	Ms. Deidre Elerath
Math Teacher:	Ms. Dolly Solis
Science Teacher:	Ms. Heather Feldman
Social Science Teacher	Mr. Jim Grassi



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Student Parking

Students may park in the Santa Teresa student parking lot under the following conditions:

1. Possession of a valid California Driver's License.
2. Proof of adequate insurance.
3. Agreement to park in student parking area only.
4. Car to be left alone during school day.
5. Student observes laws outlined in California Vehicle Code

Permission to park in the Santa Teresa student lot may be revoked by administration for violation of any of the above. Students who violate parking rules may be cited by the San Jose Police Department. Obtain an application in the school office.

Work Permit

Students under the age of 18 wishing to work may do so only with a valid school authorized permit. The right to work may be revoked if the school determines that the employment is impairing the health or education of the student. All State and Federal Employment of Minors regulations must be obeyed.

Electronic Signaling Devices (Pagers, Radios, Cellphones)

No school shall permit the possession or use of any electronic signaling device that operates through the transmission receipt of radio waves, including, but not limited to, paging and signaling equipment, by pupils of the school while the pupils are on campus, or while attending a school-sponsored activity. Items will be confiscated and will be returned to parents only.

Absent From School!

The state of California has instituted Senate Bill 727 (New Attendance Law). Under this law, only students that are in school will count for reimbursement from the state. Because of this new law it is very important for the financial stability of the district that all students be in school. Every student must be in school unless it is necessary for him/her to be absent due to illness, doctor appointment, court subpoena or funeral of a member of their immediate family. These are the only excusable reasons for a student's absence from school. Family emergencies, out-of-town, etc. are not excused absences unless the school has been notified prior to the absence. When possible, all absences should be cleared in advance through the School Office. If a student arrives late to school, he/she must report directly to the Office: if he/she does not, the student will receive "cuts" for classes missed. All students arriving late must have a note from a parent/guardian. If no parent verification is received, the student will receive a "cut" for each class missed. Students who must leave campus before the end of the school day must check out through the School Office. If they do not, they will receive "cuts" for classes missed. Students who do not follow attendance procedures may be referred for disciplinary action.

1. **Contact School** - It is requested that a parent or guardian telephone the school the first day of absence. Contact should be made as early as possible. The purpose of this call is to advise the school of the nature of the absence.
2. **Bring a Note** - Upon return from an absence a parent or guardian should send a note explaining the absence, dated and signed.
3. **Advance Absences** - When the student knows in advance he/she will be absent, he/she should bring a note from home. This note should be cleared by a staff member in the Office in advance of the absence. When it is not possible for the student to bring such a written excuse in advance, the parent or guardian must telephone the Office prior to the student leaving. No students will be allowed to leave without written or verbal notification from a parent or guardian.

Personal Messages

Personal messages from parents or guardians will be accepted and delivered to students at their break or after school. Office phones ARE NOT for student use and will not be available to clear absences or confirm doctor or dentist appointments. Students must have a note or the parent must call the school. Phoenix High School **DOES NOT** accept flowers or balloons for delivery to students.

Dress Code

The appearance of students while at school has a direct impact on behavior and sets a very positive learning environment. For this reason, the following standards for student dress have been established. The following common dress requirements apply to all students. Students must come to school each day in the common dress theme that has been established by the staff of Phoenix High School. The following applies to all students when they are on the Phoenix High School campus and during school sponsored activities. Shoes and Shirts must be worn at all times. Printed slogans on clothing will not be permitted.

Full Length Pants only: must be solid black. No shorts or skirts are permitted.

Shirts, Blouse: will be solid white polo-type shirts only. NO sleeveless shirts or blouses. There shall be no bare midriffs or transparent garments.

Sweatshirts, sweaters, vests, jackets: Solid black or white. No team jackets or shirts, i.e. Raiders, 49ers, Sharks, etc. or logos other than Phoenix High School.

Shoes: Must be worn at all times. Black, white or black/white with black or white laces.

Hats, caps, head covering: Hats and caps may not be worn inside buildings. Team hats, caps, and head covering (bandanas, doo rags, etc.) are not allowed at any time while at school or on a school sponsored activity.

Sizes: To encourage a wholesome academic environment, all pants must be worn at the waist. Generally, clothing that is more than one size larger than the student's current size is "baggy or saggy" is not acceptable.