

Harmon Johnson Elementary School



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SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

Harmon Johnson Elementary School has high expectations for all students. There is a high level of parent involvement and support. One of the higher performing schools in the Twin Rivers Unified School District, our school takes pride in developing the potential of all students. There is a school-wide focus on teaching the Common Core State Standards. Harmon Johnson is the sixth highest performing school in English Language arts and fifth in math.

EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION

There is an emphasis in the use of technology to advance critical thinking and explore personal interests. Every student has access to his/her own technology device and uses them to develop their 21st century skills.

NOTABLE ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Harmon Johnson operates as a community school. By definition, it is both a place for and a set of partnerships between the school and other community resources. Its integrated focus on academics, health and social services, youth and community development. We believe community engagement leads to improved student learning, stronger families, and healthier communities.

We received a Community Schools for Excellence award from the Institute for School Leadership in Washington D.C. in 2013, one of only three in the nation. One of the reasons was the fact that we made the greatest academic gains in the Twin Rivers Unified School District over the previous three years.

One partnership in particular is with the University of the Pacific. The Virtual Dental Health (VDH) program is a community-based oral health delivery system where students receive dental diagnostic, preventive and early intervention services at school. In 2016 Johnson was designated a Gold Ribbon School. One of only eight schools to receive this award in Twin Rivers, the Gold Ribbon Awards recognize California schools that have made gains in implementing the academic content and performance standards adopted by the State Board of Education.

ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS

Harmon Johnson offers many opportunities for student engagement. Programs such as Student Council, Student Climate Committee, Yearbook Committee, and after-school intramural soccer encourage students to be involved, take pride in their school and build positive school, community and peer relationships. In addition, our Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math (STEAM) Academy offers extended learning opportunities in enrichment classes chosen from a course catalog developed by staff, which include:

- Designing Alarm Circuits
- Engineering
- Aviation
- Exploration of Careers in Aerospace
- Performing Arts
- Robotics
- Botanical Society
- Video and Digital Editing
- Computer Science
- Art History and Technique
- Origami and Geometry
- Advanced Math

