# Noralto Elementary School

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### **SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS**

Noralto Elementary School has become one of the highest performing schools in the entire State of California, based on similar school student achievement data.

## **EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION**

Scores on the California English Development Test (CELDT) have risen positively over the past 4 years. In 2012-2013 school year Noralto had 57.6% of students taking the CELDT meeting the Annual Measurable Achievement Objective (AMAO 1). For the 2015-2016 school year we have increased to 69.7% of students meeting AMAO 1. For the 2016-17 school year are students have increased to 72% meeting AMAO 1.

Noralto students do not take the CAASPP test. This test begins in 3rd grade.

# **NOTABLE ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

"I heard wonderful things about this elementary school and I wanted to come here and just see it for myself and hear about their great success story, how well you are doing with your grades," said California's former Governor, Arnold Schwarzenegger, during a visit to Noralto Elementary School.

- 2016 Gold Ribbon Award
- 2016 Title 1 Academic Achievement Award
- Noralto Elementary has exited Program Improvement status
- 2015 USDA HealthierUS School Award
- 2014 CA Business for Education Excellence Awards
- 2010-2011, 2011-2012, 2012-2013, 2013-2014, 2014-2015, 2015-2016 Imagine Learning Super School Award
- Featured in the following publications: West Ed: R&D

Alert 2011, West Ed: Elevate 2011, and West Ed: Advance 2012

- Article about Noralto from Assessment Technology Inc.
  "Strong Strategies, Successful Students" 2012
- Article about Noralto from Mind Research Institute 2011, "Creating a Culture of Success" – Noralto Math achievement is highlighted

#### **ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS**

A few of the key components and programs that have led to Noralto's success include:

- English/Spanish Dual Immersion Program, providing instruction to students equally in both languages, starting in Pre-K
- Staff work in grade level Professional Learning Communities (PLCs) focusing on learning for all students, a collaborative culture, and a results based orientation to improve practice and drive continuous improvement
- Monthly Parent Education (stakeholder) meetings that provide parents with relevant information and resources that positively impact students, the school, and community
- Building Effective Schools Together (BEST): schoolwide program which promotes building and maintaining a positive school climate
- Schoolwide emphasis on attendance with multiple forms of support and student incentives
- What I Need (WIN) intervention and enrichment programs that are standards based
- Academic Parent Teacher Teams (APTT) is a program that takes our strong parent involvement to the next level by partnering parents and teachers to increase student achievement and close the achievement gap



"To Inspire Each Student to Extraordinary Achievement Every Day"

