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Lynwood Unified Schools Receive PBIS Awards, Recognized for Positive School Culture

Lynwood – Lynwood Unified School District schools have been recognized with Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) awards for their outstanding efforts in creating and maintaining a positive campus climate and creating an engaging school environment where students can succeed.

Lynwood Unified is the only district in Los Angeles County to receive PBIS awards for each school this year. The awards were presented to principals and students during the Oct. 13 Board meeting.

“Our PBIS program has grown by leaps and bounds,” Deputy Superintendent Dr. Shawna Dinkins said. “In 2018, we had six schools recognized...it took all of us to change our attitude about discipline and behavior in our schools so that we could make it positive, and not punitive.”

PBIS is a three-tiered system that focuses on integrating data and practices in a collective effort to support positive behavior and student success.

Tier one focuses on establishing a supportive foundation for students and preventing unwanted behaviors throughout an entire campus. Tier two focuses on engaging in preventative practices with high-risk students through small group practices focusing on social skills, self-management and academic support. Tier three provides intensive support for students at the individual level to improve behavioral and academic outcomes.

“We are proud to have been recognized at each of our campuses for our efforts to make school a positive and effective experience for students.” Superintendent Dr. Gudiel Crosthwaite said. “PBIS has proven to put our students on the path to success in their academic endeavors. We have our phenomenal teachers, administrators and classified employees to thank for their efforts in making this program work for our schools and our students.”

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The mission of **Lynwood Unified School District**, the model urban school district, is to ensure each student fearlessly achieves their highest academic and personal aspirations while contributing to a diverse, global society through an evolving system. For more information, visit www.lynwood.k12.ca.us.

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Lynwood Unified's PBIS awards are as follows:

Bronze

Helen Keller Elementary School, Firebaugh High School, Will Rogers Elementary School, Cesar Chavez Middle School

Silver

Lincoln Elementary School, Lindbergh Elementary School, Rosa Parks Elementary School, Lynwood High School

Gold

Abbott Elementary School, Lugo Elementary School, Mark Twain Elementary School, Thurgood Marshall Elementary School, Washington Elementary School, Hosler Middle School, Vista High School

Platinum

Roosevelt Elementary School, Wilson Elementary School

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LUSD_AWARDS1: Principal Kevin Cano accepts the PBIS gold award for Abbott Elementary School at the Oct. 13 Board of Education meeting.

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The mission of **Lynwood Unified School District**, the cultivator of innovative thinkers, is to ensure each student fearlessly achieves his or her highest academic and personal aspirations while contributing to the greater society through a unique system distinguished by:

- ★ People of great character who inspire and lead by example
- ★ The instilling of courage to be creative
- ★ The transformative uses of technology
- ★ Safe and clean environments
- ★ The honoring of all voices of our community