

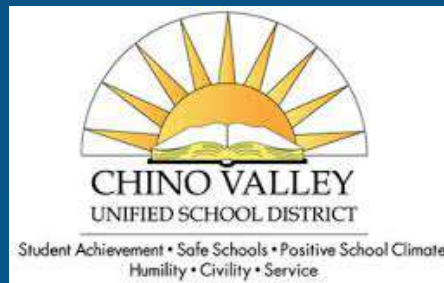
Success in Junior High



Parents ♦ Students ♦ Teachers

ABOUT TOWNSEND

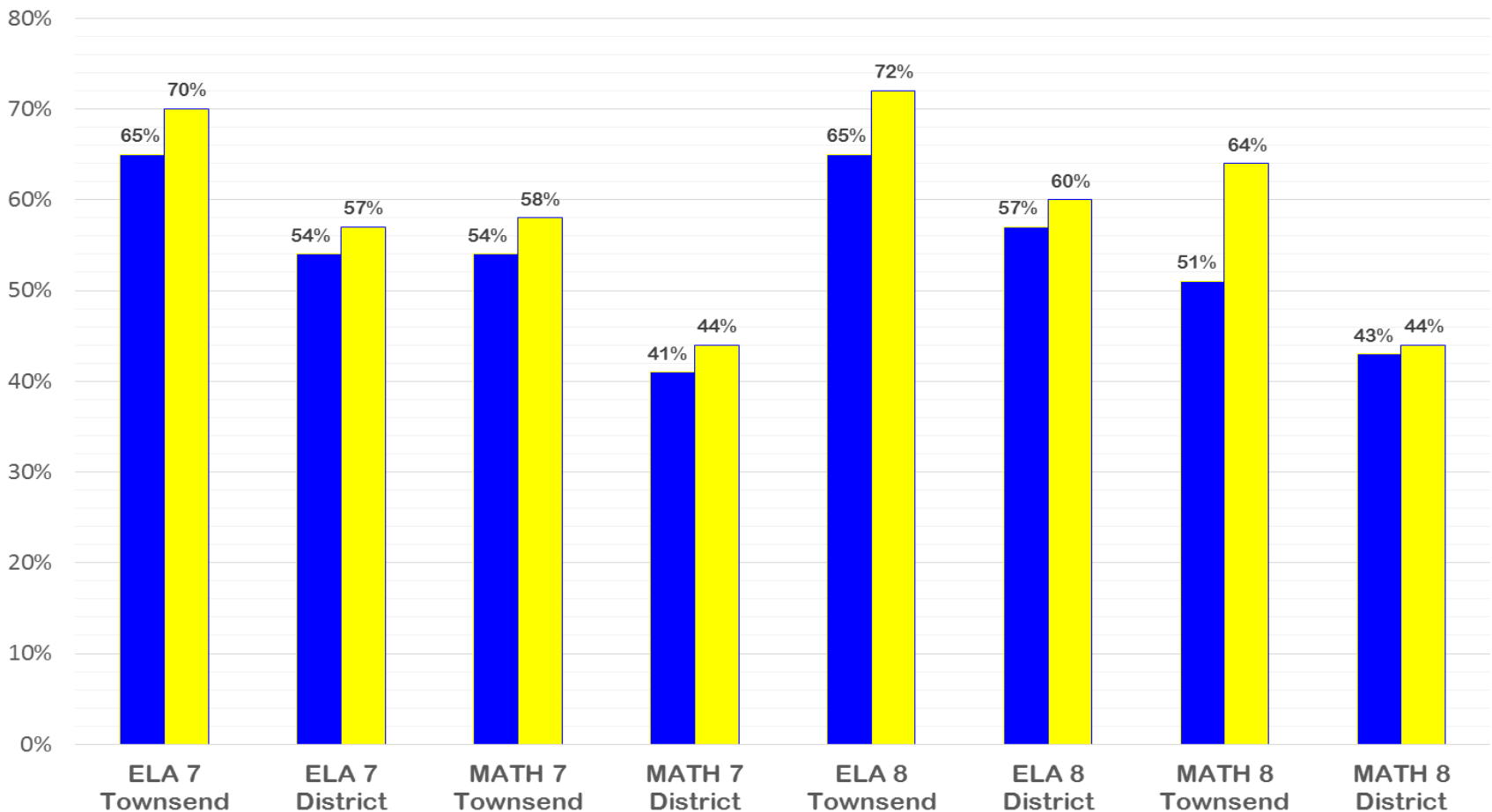
- ▶ **Principal** *Robert Nelson*
- ▶ **Assistant Principal** *Michelle Usher*
- ▶ **Assistant Principal** *Corinna Hathuc*
- ▶ **Counselor** *Joseph Hurtado*
- ▶ **2013 & 2001 California Distinguished School**
- ▶ **41 teachers / 83 staff members**
- ▶ **1100 students (7th and 8th grade)**



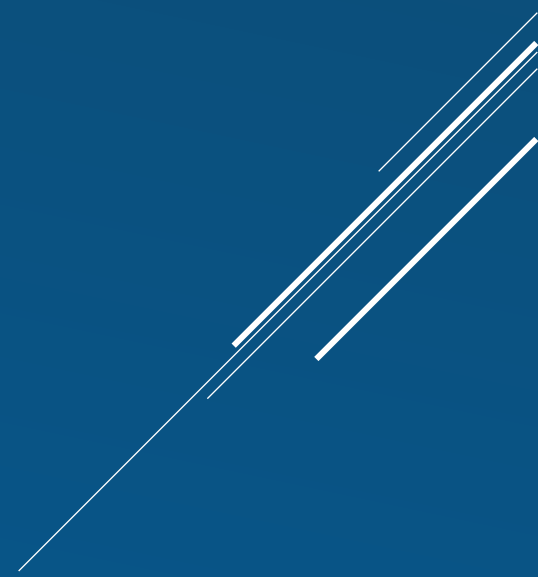
FOCUS ON GROWTH

Two-Year Comparison of Students Meeting/Exceeding Standards

■ 2014 - 2015 ■ 2015 - 2016



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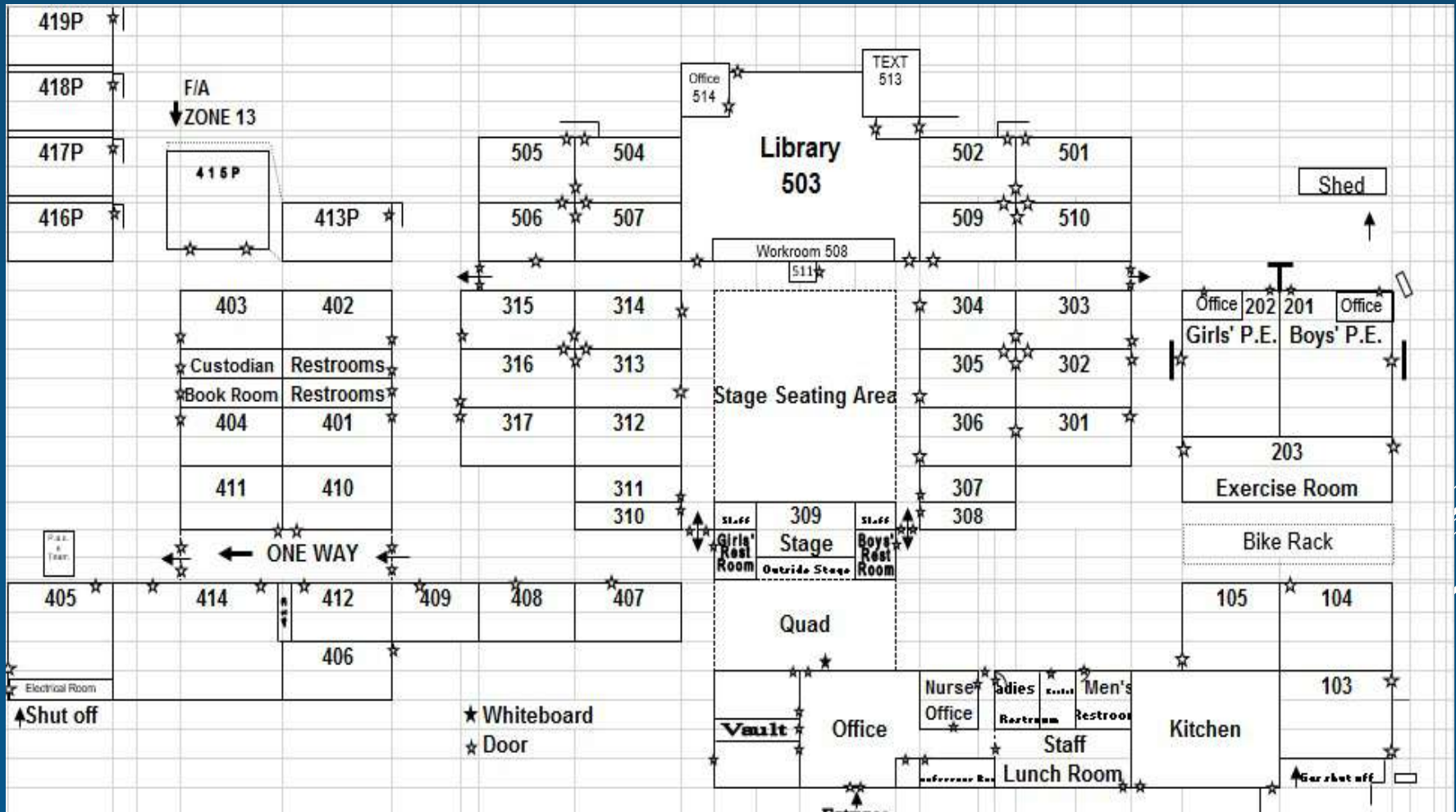
- **7th Grade Language Arts**
 - 65% → 70% from 2015 to 2016
 - 65% → 72% in 8th Grade
 - **8th Grade Language Arts**
 - 65% → 75% from 2015 to 2016
 - **7th Grade Math**
 - 54% → 58% from 2015 to 2016
 - 54% → 64% in 8th Grade
 - **8th Grade Math**
 - 51% → 64% from 2015 to 2016
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A TYPICAL DAY

- ▶ Starts at 7:45 a.m.
- ▶ Dismissal at 1:48 p.m.(12:51 p.m. every Monday)
- ▶ 6 classes
- ▶ World Cultures
- ▶ Science-NGSS
- ▶ Language Arts
- ▶ Math
- ▶ Physical Education
- ▶ Elective



A TYPICAL DAY



ELECTIVE WHEEL:

- ▶ Art
- ▶ Computers
- ▶ Robotics
- ▶ Drama
- ▶ Life Essentials
- ▶ Piano Lab
- ▶ Woodshop



YEAR LONG ELECTIVES:

- ▶ Leadership/Yearbook
 - ▶ Application process
- ▶ Advanced Band
- ▶ Beginning/Intermediate Band
- ▶ Percussion
- ▶ Medical Detectives
- ▶ STEAM



GRADING

- ▶ Not graded on effort
- ▶ No extra credit
- ▶ Grade based on mastery of grade-level standards
- ▶ 75% Assessments/Projects, 25% Assignments
- ▶ Progress reports at 6 weeks
- ▶ Trimester grade (permanent) every 12 weeks
- ▶ 2.0 GPA required to participate in extracurricular activities
 - ▶ School dances, competitions - band/dance/color guard, leadership, drama performances, intramural sports, & fieldtrips

ACADEMIC RALLIES

CELEBRATION OF ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

- ▶ Rallies are held every trimester
 - ▶ 4.0 Gold
 - ▶ 3.0 to 3.9 Silver
 - ▶ 2.0 to 2.9 Ranger Pride
- ▶ Honor Roll Certificates
- ▶ Through the rallies, academic successes are spotlighted as well as preparing students for state testing



Student Involvement & Activities

GET INVOLVED & BE RECOGNIZED

- ▶ National Junior Honor Society
- ▶ Green Team
- ▶ Intramurals & Fitness Club
 - ▶ Volleyball, Basketball, Off-campus runs
- ▶ Band, jazz band, & drumline
- ▶ Drama
- ▶ Color Guard
- ▶ Dance Team
- ▶ School Dances
- ▶ Spirit Days
- ▶ Student of the Month
- ▶ Perfect Attendance




Student Supports on Campus

- ▶ **At-Risk Conferences**
- ▶ **Take-Control Lunch**
 - ▶ **Peer Tutoring & Individual Counseling**
- ▶ **After-school intervention**
- ▶ **Assistant Principals & Counselor Contact**
- ▶ **Communication**
 - ▶ **AERIES.NET and School Loop**
 - ▶ **Website – www.chino.k12.ca.us/townsend**
 - ▶ **Twitter - @Townsend_JHS**
 - ▶ **PTSA Facebook Page**



6 WEEK PROGRESS REPORT AT-RISK CONFERENCE

- ▶ **October 10th – 12th**
 - ▶ **Good indication of how your child is adjusting to junior high**
 - ▶ **Meet with teacher, student, and parent**
 - ▶ **Implement interventions offered at school**
 - ▶ **Let's work as a team to create a *positive learning environment***
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TEACHER COMMUNICATION

- ▶ 165+ students
- ▶ 5 classes
- ▶ 3 don't turn in homework each period=
- ▶ 15 calls at average of 20 minutes each=
- ▶ 5 hours of calls + grading & preparation for next day and family time

Suggestion:


Check online – monitor your child's grades

AERIES.net and GradeAlert.com


Email teacher or message through Aeries Loop

Schedule a parent conference


PARENT ROLE

- ▶ Be an advocate for your child
 - ▶ Talk to teacher first
 - ▶ Do not go to the classroom
 - ▶ Make an appointment for classroom visit
 - ▶ Call or Email teacher for concerns or questions
 - ▶ Monitor student agenda
 - ▶ Keep school informed
 - ▶ Sign in through office when on campus and pick up visitor badge
 - ▶ Visit AERIES.net to monitor progress
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WHAT TO EXPECT FROM YOUR CHILD


- ▶ **Test your rules-----be strong**
 - ▶ **Don't accept everything they tell you as fact**
 - ▶ **Know where they are and who they are with**
 - ▶ **Talk to other parents or to the school**
 - ▶ **Expect them to take responsibility for actions and academics**
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BEHAVIOR

- ▶ **High Standards**
 - ▶ **We will work as a team to help guide your child through the junior high years**
 - ▶ **Know everything about your child**
 - ▶ **Pay attention to your child's friends and cell phone**
 - ▶ **Texts, pictures/video, and Instagram/Facebook/SnapChat/vault**
 - ▶ **Peer pressure - fighting, drugs, alcohol**
 - ▶ **Call us, and we will call you**
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TOWNSEND POLICIES


- ▶ **Student/Parent Handbook can be found online and printed in student agenda**
 - ▶ **Dress Code**
 - ▶ **Gum Citations**
 - ▶ **Cell Phone Policy**

 - ▶ **Progressive Discipline:**
 - ▶ **Counseling, Warning, Reflection, Parent Contact, 8th period detention, Saturday Work Study,**
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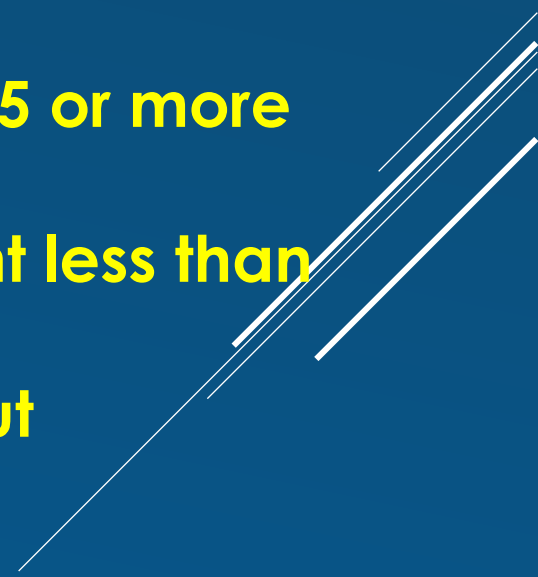
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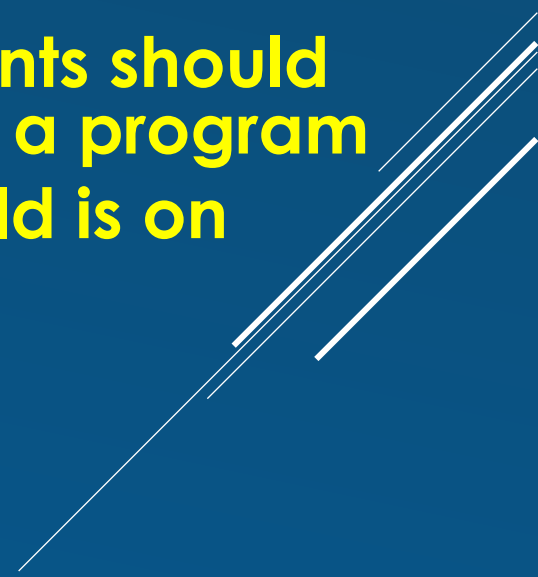
SUPPORT PROGRAMS

- ▶ **PBIS and MTSS-B**
 - ▶ **Second Step Curriculum**
 - ▶ **Townsend Expectations**
 - ▶ **Safe School Ambassadors**
 - ▶ **Assemblies focusing on self-esteem & character**
 - ▶ **“Don’t Start Tobacco” - Fall**
 - ▶ **“Project Alert” - Winter**
 - ▶ **Chino Human Services Counseling**
 - ▶ **Clean Sweep School—Chino Hills Sheriff**
 - ▶ **Drug Sniffing Dog program**
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ATTENDANCE

- ▶ **Every Monday is early release – 12:51 p.m.**
 - ▶ **9 Minimum Days throughout the year – 12:21 p.m.**
 - ▶ **Stress the importance of being in school every day unless sick; we cannot teach them if they are not here**
 - ▶ **Make doctor and dentist appointments after school hours**
 - ▶ **Contact office if student will be absent 5 or more days for independent study**
 - ▶ **Email teachers for assignments if absent less than 3 days**
 - ▶ **Please plan vacations after school is out**
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IMPORTANT REMINDERS:


- ▶ **Student drop off ---- Hawthorn, Duke, Ilex**
 - ▶ **U-turns on Ilex are dangerous and not permitted during posted hours**
 - ▶ **Students are safe waiting in front of school not on the corner of Glen Ridge**
 - ▶ **School is out at 1:48 p.m. and students should go directly home unless involved in a program**
 - ▶ **Contact our health office if your child is on medication or has an inhaler**
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PTSA COMMITTEES:

- ▶ Red Ribbon (October)
- ▶ Turkey Trot (November)
- ▶ Student Store (weekly)
- ▶ Family Fun Run –PE (spring)
- ▶ Fundraising
- ▶ Library Support
- ▶ Miscellaneous
- ▶ PTSA membership \$10



IMPORTANT DATES:

- ▶ **August 14 - first day of school - 7:45 a.m.**
 - ▶ (Immunizations must be current)
 - ▶ **August Registration:**
 - ▶ **Pick Up: July 26-28**
 - ▶ 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
 - ▶ **Drop Off: August 2-4**
 - ▶ 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
 - ▶ **ASB Fundraiser Kickoff: August 23**
 - ▶ **Back to School Night: September 6**
 - ▶ **Parent-Teen Connection Workshop: September 14**
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Looking Forward to Next Year! Questions?

