BUENA PARK SCHOOL DISTRICT

"Ignite the Passion for Learning"

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2026-2027 Passion Programs

Elementary Schools

Corey Elementary School: Corey Elementary provides scholars with programs that support the whole child. Our programs include VAPA (Visual and Performing Arts), STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) enrichment program, and GATE (Gifted and Talented Education). We build our students through our PBIS (Positive Behavior Intervention Support) initiatives and are committed to fostering critical thinkers. At Corey, students will be inspired to take ownership of their learning and prepare for their brighter tomorrow.

Emery Elementary School: We offer a diverse range of programs designed to enrich the educational experience of our students. Our curriculum encompasses STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics) education, GATE (Gifted and Talented Education), Physical Education/Health and Wellness, and PBIS (Positive Behavioral Interventions and Support). Our commitment lies in delivering a comprehensive education that empowers students to explore and cultivate their passions. We are dedicated to fostering great thinkers, scholars and citizens.

Gilbert Elementary School: Gilbert School's Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) program cultivates college awareness and readiness by embedding rigorous, student-centered instruction across all grades (K-5) using research-based WICOR strategies to build critical thinking, organizational skills, goal-setting, and growth mindset. This focus is reinforced through annual college field trips (K-5). We are dedicated to the whole child, prioritizing Social-Emotional Learning (SEL) for all students. Additionally, we are excited to launch year two of our Spanish Dual Immersion program, which will be offered in Preschool, TK, Kindergarten, and 1st grade next year. Our Spanish Dual Immersion delivers full bilingualism and biliteracy, ensures high academic achievement in all subjects, and promotes cultural understanding and empathy.

Pendleton Elementary School: Pendleton Panthers engage in a rigorous, inquiry-based, concept-driven program that maximizes each scholar's potential through our International Baccalaureate Primary Years Programme (IB PYP). We prepare students for a digital and innovative future by integrating technology, coding, and creative problem-solving into authentic learning experiences. Our scholars also participate in Spanish lessons to broaden their communication skills and global awareness. The Pendleton School community values PBIS and is dedicated to developing lifelong learners and productive, compassionate citizens who are committed to creating global connectedness and intercultural respect that celebrates and honors differences.

Whitaker Elementary School: We offer many exciting opportunities at Whitaker School. We are a Community School defined by a strong, supportive community and a dedication to rigorous programs like GATE (Gifted and Talented Education) and PBIS (Positive Behavioral Interventions and Support) designed to cultivate well-rounded citizens. We focus intently on the individual needs of each student, challenging them to become competitive, compassionate problem-solvers equipped for the future. In our Passions Program,Communication and Media Arts, students learn to Think Critically, Speak Passionately, and Create Digitally, enabling them to positively influence the world around them. We believe that a nurturing and supportive environment is essential for our students to thrive. It is our goal to foster a sense of belonging for every student and family, ensuring that all voices are heard and respected. Enhancing communication skills is key to achieving our goal.

Middle Schools

Beatty Middle School: At Beatty Middle School, we prioritize STEAM education and Communication in Digital and Multimedia Art for our 6th through 8th graders. Our comprehensive elective program includes introductory and advanced courses in Robotics, Medical Science, Coding, 3D Printing & Design, Aviation, Sports Science, Video Production, Art, Digital Art, Yearbook, Choir, Strings, Guitar, Spanish, Korean, and Leadership (ASB). Additionally, our Honors Academy program offers a rigorous curriculum designed to challenge our gifted and high-achieving students, pushing them to explore greater depths and complexities in their studies.

Buena Park Middle School: Buena Park Middle School proudly promotes AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination) schoolwide which is a comprehensive approach to learning that focuses on preparing students for success in school and career. Stallion students are able to choose elective courses that allow them to explore new learning experiences through; Spanish, Culinary Arts, Applied Arts, S.T.E.M, STEM Sailing, Coding, Robotics, Leadership, FFA Ag Science/Horticulture, Femineer and our highly regarded Honors Program. Our recently built performing arts building will further enrich our Choir, Band and Theatre Arts classes. We are thrilled to announce that the BPMS was recently designated as a middle school FFA, the first in Orange County and one of only 15 in California. The Stallion family is ready to ensure that our students have memorable middle school years.

Through our dedicated educational staff and unique passion programs at each school site, it is our sincere desire to meet the needs of all families within the Buena Park School District