



Pahrump Valley High School

GEAR UP Abstract 2017-2018

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Pahrump Valley High School has 299 students in the upcoming 11th grade class and 260 students in the 12th grade cohort. The current free and reduced rate at the school is 59%. There is a student population of 67.62% white and 21.43% Hispanic currently at the high school. PVHS is the largest high school in Nye County with a population of 1,119 students.

The first goal of the School Performance Plan is to increase positive perception of the school culture. Student tutors and adult tutors will be enlisted to assist struggling students to earn the knowledge necessary to complete high school and become college and/or career ready. Posters will line the hallways signed by the seniors identifying the college they wish to attend in anticipation of graduation. Students will attend leadership activities, campus tours and awards presentations. The GEAR UP staff will continue to contact parents and students to offer information on academic performance and assistance to those that may need additional support. Staff and students will work together creating a school culture for success!

Pahrump Valley High School has spent a year developing professional learning communities that focus on student outcomes. Teachers have begun to align the curriculum and develop common formative assessments. The goal of the school is to align and implement the math, science and literacy curricula with Nevada Academic Content Standards. GEAR UP tutoring will support this goal with everyone working together in support of learning for all students. The program will offer GEAR UP student tutoring during the day and teacher tutoring after hours. All students will have the opportunity for assistance. Eleventh graders will take the ACT exam and some seniors will take the exam for the second time to raise their scores for college admissions. A college and career fair will be held offering opportunity for students to talk to professionals in many fields, asking questions to support their own aspirations. College ambassadors will provide information to parents and students on colleges, FAFSA and college life. The first class of this cohort will graduate from PVHS in the spring of 2018 being better prepared for their futures.