



SIERRA SCHOOL OF SONOMA COUNTY

Building Confidence and Competence Through Personalized Academic Interventions

SCHOOL OVERVIEW

- ◆ County: Sonoma
- ◆ Capacity: 60 students
- ◆ 1:3 Staff-to-Student Ratio
- ◆ Multidisciplinary staff includes: Fully Credentialed Special Education Teachers, Full-Time School Counselor (with full-time social therapy dog) & Transition Coordinator
- ◆ Designated Outreach Director: Kimberly L. Small, M.Ed., M.S.

STUDENT BODY

- ◆ Grades: 1–12
- ◆ Ages: 6–22
- ◆ Classroom Population: Maximum of 12 students
- ◆ Primarily serving ED (emotionally disturbed) students, but also serving students with SLD (specific learning disabilities), developmental delays, mental retardation, health and/or cognitive impairments, autism, and multiple disabilities

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ School-to-Work Program (WorkAbility 1 Grant)
- ◆ WASC-Accredited
- ◆ Attendance Incentive Program
- ◆ School Clubs & Electives
- ◆ School Newsletter
- ◆ Extended School Year
- ◆ Individual Counseling
- ◆ Speech Therapy
- ◆ SARC (School Accountability Report Card) Published Annually

The Sierra School of Sonoma County is dedicated to serving students who have not experienced success in the traditional classroom as a result of learning, language, and social challenges that require special attention. The Sierra School expertly provides that attention in the form of custom-designed academic programs tailored to their aptitudes and goals, a structured behavioral management system that motivates students to behave responsibly and respectfully toward themselves and others, and a caring, nurturing environment in which these students can strengthen academic abilities, develop social skills, and cultivate proper behaviors.

Our primary goal is to expedite the transition of students back to the public school system and into mainstream society, so we focus our efforts on building competence and confidence in each of them, as well as preparing them for fruitful and fulfilling futures through vocational training and life skills instruction.

Many components contribute to the remarkable results we've been able to achieve since opening our doors years ago, but we're most proud of our effective comprehensive programs, our team approach to special education, the value we place on encouraging family involvement, and, most of all, our tireless commitment to making sure that each child entrusted to our care is given every opportunity possible to reap the rewards of personal success — in the classroom, at home, and in the community.

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