



# BLACK OAK MINE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT: MAY 2024



ACHIEVER'S ANTHEM:  
TALES OF TRIUMPH FROM OUR SCHOOLS

May 31, 2024  
Version 2.0

*"They may forget what you have been saying, but they will never forget how you made them feel."*  
-Carl W. Buehner

## From the Superintendent

We are excited to present the second edition of "Achiever's Anthem" for May 2024. This monthly District newsletter features students who have triumphed and have achievements to celebrate.

As we wrap up another school year, I am excited about what is yet to come in our District. Together we will do great things for our students.

**Students who are recognized in this newsletter will be entered into a drawing for ice cream at Shandey's! Winners will be notified the first week of June 2024.**

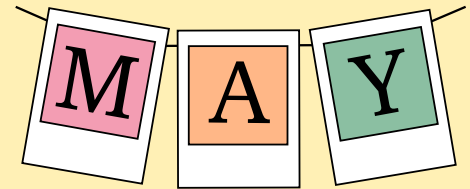
-Dr. Gabe Simon



Spring has sprung!

## Important Dates

- June 4 @ 6:00PM - Divide High Graduation
- June 5 @ 3:30PM - ARCS 8th Grade Promotion
  - 6:30PM - ARCS Graduation
- June 6 @ 7PM - Graduation at Golden Sierra
  - Last day of the school year for students!
- **More dates and events [HERE](#)**



## Goal Setting Moves the Needle for Students!

Research on student goal setting suggests that this practice is associated with increased learning and improvement for students of different ability levels, from those who are academically advanced to those who struggle academically.

Goal setting moves the needle for students and establishes a renewed sense of hope and shows them what is possible.





# CELEBRATING STUDENT LEARNING



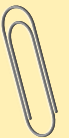
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## Making Progress and Hitting the Target



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### Golden Sierra:

Teacher Julie Makar

Has met the goal of increasing positive behaviors towards peers and teacher:

Sarai Castenada

Josie Jackson

Anastasia Kearney

Has met the goal of increasing 'on-task behavior and participation' in class within the last 30 days:

10th Gabriel Brown-Aranda

Teacher Jeni Harvey:

Each student can solve 4 equations involving at least three steps with 100% accuracy (Math):

Almendariz, Zoe; Anderson, Ashley; Bailey, Haven; Bradford, Robert; Brayton, Marshall; Brown, Wiley; Castaneda, Sarai; Clark, James; Cox, Cameron; Creiglow, Samantha; Davis, Thane; Dickerson, Aiden; Drescher, Wyatt; Farnham, Wyatt; Friend, Charles; Groesbeck, Kai; Harvey, Scarlet; Heibeck, Talon; Heinz, Brianna; Hernandez-Garcia, Lucia; Hill, Tessa; Hoobler, James; Jackson, Josie; Jower, Levi; Katz, Kylie; Kearney, Ana; Kessler, Alison; Larson, Makua; Latham, Logan; Liddicoat, Marisah; Lind, Beckett; Malmborg, Ryder; Marcum, Gabriella; Martin, Frankie; Martinez, Jacob; McDougall, Hope; Miller, Lucy; Monti, Ashton; Nagel, Stephanie; Nichols, Brayden; O'Brien, Cole; O'Harra, Halle; Ortega, Melina; Perez-Chavez, Xitlali; Pitts, Jack; Potter, Erin; Powell, Jack; Reichardt, Lukas; Reilly, Elias; Rodgers, Aaron; Rowe, Cash; Sally, Curtis; Sasse, Izzy; Sasser, Shaine; Schwartz, Bodie; Simon, Lilly; Stiles, Blake; Torres, Alex; Turner, Mary Nicole; Vongchantha, Logan; Whitley-Bulahan, Sammie; Wilson, Jeffrey

Life Fitness- Reaching for the GOALS:

Riley Ardito; Alexis Blish; Gabe Brown-Aranda; Katie Harbuck; Braydn Imm; Nolan Infalt; Kylie Ladner; Violet Lind; Gracey Nordby; Vetas Okunev; Brooke Pitts; Arienne Sasse; Elena VanDervoort; Conner Warren; Isaiah Yergler





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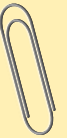


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## Improvement and Hitting the Target



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### Golden Sierra:

Teacher Erica Phillips

Has shown progression in excellent artwork:

Starr Bear; Gemma Robneck; Iris Schwartz; Ashtin Pullin; Sydney Hein; Tyger McCrary; Ashton Montj; Cole Shockley; Hailey Swensson; Curtis Sally

Has shown progression in excellent artwork, tried really hard to do their best, positive behaviors:

Trent Cimmarusti; Sonni Gentry; Mariah Parr; Nevaeh Peoples; Emma Thompson; Lily Larson; Hannah McKinney; Farrah Bueghly; Lily Lahaye

Has shown progression in excellent artwork, tried really hard to do their best, positive behaviors:

Jadelynn Nicponski; Amelia O'Harra; Addison Sacco; Katherine Harbuck; Gracey Nordby; Vetas Okunev; Uriah Pryde; Isaiah Yergler





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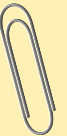
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### Boosted Learning and Hitting the Target

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#### Golden Sierra:

Teacher Erica Phillips

Greatly improved behaviors, grade and has improved artwork:  
Bruce Rayford

Has shown progression in excellent artwork, tried really hard to do their best, positive behaviors:

Addison Barbour; Lily Erwin; Isaac Grandon; Layla Pryde; Ryder Spies; Austin Cole; Allie Lewis; Sammi Lewis; Gunner Riolino; Aubrey Stapleton; Jasmine Trusty; Victoria Sandoval; Amber DeNoyelles; Marina McPherson; Kaelee Potter; Summer Hopkins; Kiera Kendall; Elise Lewin; Trista Marcum; Gavin Miller; Levi York



Has shown progression in excellent artwork, tried really hard to do their best, positive behaviors:

Skylar Allen; Faith McCoard; Darren Lake; Michael Light-Corbin; Jenna Grubbs; Sadie Drescher; Jacob Nixon

Teacher: Brown

Drama class 1 & 2 have created an improv show as part of their final, and will be performing on the stage to showcase some of what they have learned through the semester:

Riley Ardito; Wyatt Crowder; Shawn Johston; Lily Lahaye; Amarina Maloney; Lyla Mason; Megan Reilly; Emma Thompson; Olliver Wattson; Thomas Wellman; Addi Sacco

Teacher Bill Sammons

Have made tremendous growth in reading and writing:  
Brayden Nichols; Lillian Simon; Sydney Hein; Jack Pitts

Congratulations to Apollo Ardito! He is our Student of the Month!





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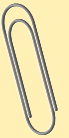


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## Advancing and Hitting the Target



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### Golden Sierra:

Teacher Erica Phillips

Excellent TA, cleans, organizes, takes inventory, Helps peers:

Cara Kestner

Cleans, organizes, takes inventory, helps peers, is fully dedicated to helping in many ways:

Harmony Carlson

Excellent TA, cleans, organizes, takes inventory, Helps peers:

Kaytie Watters

Jordan Harper

Tony Alvarez

Teacher: Hauck

They got all of their missing work turned in for my math class:

Michael Kearney; Joseph Fox

Working hard to get caught up after being out sick:

Daisy Morales

Teacher: Brust

Improvement in 3 or more state fitness testing scores:

Nolan Infalt, Aric Kessler, Carly Sherman, Madisin Strahan, JeAnna Summers, Gianna Trapani





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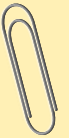


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### Go Grizzlies!



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#### Golden Sierra:

Teacher Heidi Aquino

A+ in Spanish 2:

Peyton Frantzich, JeAnna Summers

Made improvement from term progress report:

Cheyenne Ashmore, Ben Bartosh, Bobby Baxley, Chloe Blish, AJ Gerondakis, Peyton Leshner, Jayla Martin, Mariah Parr, Kolleen Paul, Chase Whitzel, Sarah Creiglow, Dakota Flaherty, Chris Goski, Lucas Guterrez, Grace Hunter, Daisy Morales, Gianna Trapani, Damian Vernon

A+ in Spanish language and culture:

Jack Powell





# STUDENTS SHINE IN BOMUSD!



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## Perfecting and Hitting the Target

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### Divide High:

Improved his grades by 50%:  
11th Destin Fisher

Completed their Driver's Ed Course work:  
11th Jazzmyn Hall and Gwendolyn Harlan

### Otter Creek:

Teacher: Liddicoat

Reading sight words: Rowan Mariast

Reading sight words/ extending number counting above gr. level: Anabella Gray

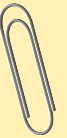
Reading at 2nd gr. level/extending math concepts above 2.5 gr. level: Weston McBride

Improved handwriting neatness: Aurora Kinley

Extending writing/complex sentences across independent assignments: Thomas O'Neill

Self-directed learner- stamina on all assignments: Kai Hayes

Performing above grade level in all academics: Katelynn Taylor





# BLACK OAK MINE UNIFIED: BEGIN WITH THE END IN MIND



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## So Much to Celebrate in BOMUSD!

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### Northside Elementary:

Teacher Monica Woodall TK

All learning beginning addition and subtraction:

Cora Van Tatenhove; Dakota Silvernail; Dean Katolin; Dexter Hollingsworth; Elias Pavao; Evelyn Van Tatenhove; Harlow Caddick; Hunter Murphy; Jayla McGill; Kavelia Wynn; Kylie Nelson; Launa Martin; Lucille Cook; Reed Oliver; Reese Jacobson; Remi Maag; Rikki Watson; Ruby Boone; Rooney Jacobson; Sage Newmarch; Samantha Rennert; Sophia Ohm

Teacher Jen Todd

He has gone above and beyond with his AR goal and has read the most books in our class this year:

Arlo Brown 5th

Teacher Suzanne Chaves

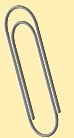
Met 100%/passed a percentage milestone for Semester AR goal:

Lucca Bisordi; Ronin Boggs; Shane Brennan; Cashten Dean; Ares Gooding; Colton Hunter; Wade Jacques; Rowan Nezik; Jace Pierce; Gunnar Van Bebber; Jordan Wright

Teacher Diane Bevis:

Met AR Reading Goals:

Benjamin Langenegger; Connor Lugo; Brayden Titlow; Cash Phillips; Odin Taylor; Jameson Wright; Macey Hein







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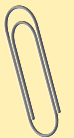
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## **Kinders: Foundations for Reading**



### **Northside Elementary:**

Teacher K. Loder, Kindergarten

Goals they set and accomplished:

Counting to 100

Sight Words- gained 6

Sight words - meet the kinder goal of 36 words!

Sight words - gained 26 words!

Sight words - gained 12 words

Sight words - gained 6 words

Jace Maley, Harley Haag, Brynn Hassler, Zunaira Fatima, Mia Oshiro,  
Robert Sexton





# BLACK OAK MINE UNIFIED: RELENTLESS FORWARD PROGRESS



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### Northside Elementary:

Teacher Justin Cox

Passed his mid-addition test:

Michael Montgomery

Improved Star Reading score by 63 points (79th percentile):

Romeo Andrade

Adding 2-digits w/o regrouping:

Silas Medina

Knows letter names/sounds:

Isabelle Qureshi; Alexander Sanchez

Learned sight word list #1:

Daniel de Puglia

Writing name and date on paper:

Rodger Brandt

Counting to 14:

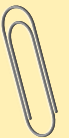
Raymond Brandt

Improved writing skills:

Hadlee Wilson

Improved STAR Early Lit score +21 points:

Jasper Locke-Alexander





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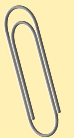
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## Making Progress and Hitting the Target

### **Northside Elementary:**

Mrs. McComb 2nd Grade  
Making progress

- Abigail Qureshi-Student of the month;
- Atlas Berrones-100% Accelerated Reader goal;
- Cali Reyes-Student of the month;
- David Pledge-Pass all addition and subtraction fact tests;
- Emelia Romanowski-100% Accelerated Reader goal;
- Ethan Hillegas Pass all multiplication math facts;
- Finn Hicks-Student of the month;
- Leo Vargas-No behavior marks;
- MaKenna Cummings-100% Accelerated Reader goal;
- Ruby Young-Student of the month;
- Selena Gerondakis-Complete and turn in all classwork;
- Shane Hartfield-No behavior marks;
- Wyatt Noriega-30 minutes/week of Lalilo and Met Goal;
- Charlee Silvernail-Complete and turn in all classwork;
- Dellah Burke-Student of the month for PE;
- Elaina Flanagan-100% Accelerated Reader goal;
- Fox Miller-100% Accelerated Reader goal;
- Paul Watson-Student of the month;
- Vanessa Gomez-Pass all addition and subtraction tests





# BLACK OAK MINE UNIFIED: SET THE GOAL AND WORK ON STRATEGIES



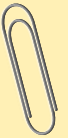
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## Go Cubs! Go Eagles!

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### **Georgetown Elementary:**

Teacher Emilee Hanson

Met 100% of their Accelerated Reader goal:

Alex Brown; Leo Hanson; Emma Makoyed; Lily Sudtell; Cheyenne Esquivel; Aleksei Gagolkin; Michael McDowell; Lucas Jenkins; Carson Babbes; Kameron Stevens; Abigail Stinson

Teacher Annie Brown

Met 100% of their Accelerated Reader goal:

Jonathan Aparicio; Allison Cimmarusti; Kenneth Curtnutt; Jim Edwards; Xander Klingler; JZ Kuykendall; Josiah Nixon

Teacher Brittney Barbour

Fantastic Math and Reading Growth this year:

Kade Hudson; Emma Sally; Ivan Marcucci; Finn Clark; Jacob Dubey

Teacher Brendon Hood

Met AR Reading Goals:

Kaison Kiley; Madelyn Reilly; Aspen Lathem; Weston Bailey; Lillian Marcucci

Teacher Jessica Marshall

Met AR Reading Goals:

Dean Giminski; Neely Butala; Leila Burbridge

Very impressive and almost perfect reading comprehension!:

Larry Harvey and Leelan Neidigh

Teacher: Ellsworth, Met Accelerated Reader Goal:

Lucy Wattson, Luigi Piparo, Sophia Giminski, Zeke Emore-Agone, Ira Butala

### **American River Charter School:**

Teacher Sawyer

TK Violet Lisonbee Started reading chapter books

9th Adelle Lisonbee Completed biology dissection labs, came in 1st in track - running with Georgetown

Congratulations to Easton Cokinos, who has achieved great success in wrestling on the Divide and statewide this year! He is also an outstanding citizen.





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## Eagles Fly High!

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### **American River Charter School:**

Teacher: Weagle

All Students increased Math scores, met weekly or monthly progress goals and maintained a B+ or better in their respective Math program:

Owen Bray, Brandon Charkins, Madison Determan, Victoria Hiles, Brianna Hughes, Joseph Shrum, Stephen Shrum

All Students increased English scores, met weekly or monthly progress goals and maintained a B or better in their respective English program:

Owen Bray , Madison Determan, Aislyn Flynn, Cole Garrigues, Mattiux Gray, Victoria Hiles, Brianna Hughes, Joshua Johnson, Nathaniel Parkhurst, Sydney Proctor, Kaija Thomas-Pouard

Teacher: Shadle

We are happy to announce that Madilynn has won First Place for 7th Grade in the Fleet Reserve Association National Americanism Essay Contest! Her incredible 350-word essay on "What Memorial Day Means to Me" stood out among all the entries. Congratulations, Madilynn! This is a remarkable achievement!



# Families and Schools Together: End of Year Event at Golden Sierra

May 16, 2024

Last night was a BIG success with 175 visitors. Ms. McKay, Kiley, Jeff and Kurtis rocked the dinner crowd. Resources were here for summer support on Dental, Medical, Financial, Housing, HUBS social services, and mentors with Big Brother Big Sisters!





# League Champions!

Golden Sierra rocked it at track and field finals. Both the girls and boys won the league title! There were so many personal records and they came to compete. The girls swept the hurdles, high jump and long jump. I didn't think it could get better but... Aiden Pullin broke a school record from 2009 in the 300 hurdles and is less than one tenth behind the 110 hurdles record set in 1994. Please congratulate these kiddos. I couldn't be prouder. A super special thanks to Mr. Harrelson whose woodworking class made the winners podiums. Off to Divisionals with 32 of our 40 athletes. Amazing!





This month at Georgetown School we celebrated 55 Cubs who participated in the Rise and Shine Running Club. Students ran twice a week for 20 minutes before the official school bell. The character traits focused on were dedication and perseverance. Our top grade level runners include: Amina Bell, Carson Barbour, Mattis Layton, Ivan Marcucci, Aliyah Stone, Torsten Polte, Aubrey Ures, Lillyrae Brazil, Alex Brown, Leo Hanson, Abigail Stinson, Ira Butala, Sophia Giminiski, Joaquin Varela, Levi Lovelace, Mimi Varela, Lowagain Breland, Wesley Stinson, Lillian Marcuci, Aspen Latham, Kelsey Nixon, Jonathan Apariciol, Stylz Angus-Smith and our top lap contributor was Rodney Piparo, pictured here, with 92 laps! Collectively the group ran 407 miles! A commemorative mural of their virtual journey is currently underway by the very talented and humble Hailee Harrelson. The mural illustrates students running from Georgetown to San Francisco, down the coast to Monterey and finishing in Santa Barbara. Great job Cubs!





In the realm of remarkable achievements and inspiring stories, one name stands out amongst the Golden Sierra graduating class of 2024 – James Evans. Despite facing significant obstacles along the way, James has not only maintained a stellar 3.0 GPA but has also showcased his talents as an artist and athlete, leaving an indelible mark on his school and community.



Cameron Kiley will be participating in the upcoming Northern California Law Enforcement Torch Run – in El Dorado County, which is scheduled for Friday, June 21st



Golden Sierra's Grizzlies Work Crew attended a Georgetown Divide Recreation Department Partner Celebration and Award event on May 7th, at the Bayley Barn. The students that attended were: Richard Bray, Cameron Kiley, Chris Fitzpatrick, Hunter Tompkins, Gio Poni, and Kaylee McBride. Other attendees were the Grizzlies Works "Boss" Bob Garecht and Teacher Greg Reichardt



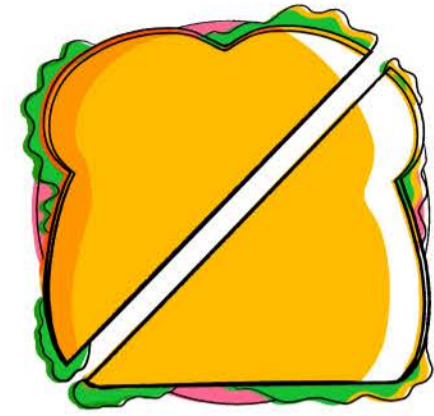
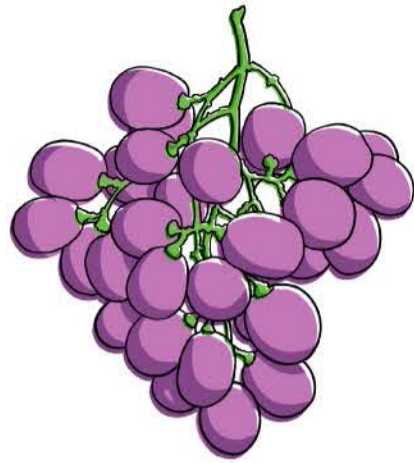
American River Charter School hosted a science fair competition earlier this month. Winners are featured above and they hope to grow this event in the future.



AMERICAN RIVER CHARTER SCHOOL'S HALLE HOLTER (3RD GRADE)

SHE'S A PRETTY OUTSTANDING GYMNAST AND A VERY HARDWORKING STUDENT. SHE IS ALSO A ROLE MODEL OF KINDNESS AND GOOD CITIZENSHIP. SHE MADE IT TO GYMNASTICS STATE COMPETITION IN VISALIA AND PLACED 3RD PLACE ON FLOOR WITH A 9.5 AND QUALIFIED FOR REGIONALS AT THE GOLD LEVEL IN XCEL GYMNASTICS. THEN, SHE ATTENDED REGIONALS IN PHOENIX, AZ WHERE SHE COMPETED AGAINST GIRLS FROM ALL OVER THE WEST AND PLACED 8TH ON FLOOR WITH A 9.475.





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