



Family Tree Learning Center

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Mission Statement

The mission of the Family Tree Learning Center is the following:

- We provide a safe and secure environment that promotes respect for self and others.
- Parent and child input is paramount to create successful relationships between students, teachers, parents and staff.
- We nourish and celebrate individuality and uniqueness.
- Decisions are based upon the best interests of students.
- We provide support to differentiate instruction and curriculum to ensure student mastery of the standards while meeting individual student needs.

School Profile

Family Tree Learning Center is a K-8 Home School/ Independent Study School that serves as one of the alternative educational options for the Hemet Unified School District. It was opened to support families who have made the decision to educate their children in nontraditional settings. Students have access to the approved district core curriculum and follow the same school calendar. Some families incorporate additional materials to meet the educational goal that they may have determined to be important.

Family Tree Learning Center is located at 258 N. Thompson Street, Hemet, CA 92543. Itinerant teachers also work with families in alternate locations.

Using an Independent Study format, parents and students work with an assigned credentialed teacher weekly or bi-weekly, who prepares the curriculum, organizes the materials, and offers the support needed for the students to be successful. Family Tree Learning Center works with a wide variety of students ranging from gifted and talented to struggling learners.

Communication is the key to success for our students. Our parents and teachers continually collaborate and fine tune each student's educational journey. We have students enrolled here for a variety of reasons. Some families attend for short time periods while students recover from injuries or illnesses. Some of our families enroll so they can travel and stay current with a traditional curricular program so that their transition back into a Hemet Unified School is smooth. Other families are in it for the long haul and really enjoy being an intimate part of their child's education. Independent Study affords families the gift of time and flexibility that doesn't exist in a traditional setting.

Opportunities for Parent Involvement

Parents of the students at Family Tree Learning Center are all involved in their children's instructional programs. Teachers and parents meet regularly to discuss student progress and development. Parents are also invited to get involved with district level decision making groups such as Curriculum Council, School Site Council and the Parents' Advisory Group. We also have parents who volunteer to serve as resources to each other. For more information on how you can get involved please contact Ellen Burgess, Principal, at (951) 925-2324. ext. 200.

District Profile

Hemet Unified School District covers one of the largest geographic areas of any district in California. It covers over 700 square miles of very diverse topography; from valley flatlands, to foothills, to mountains. It serves a growing community with a current enrollment of over 22,000 students. Preschool centers at seven school locations, eleven elementary schools (K-5), three elementary/middle schools (K-8), four middle schools (6-8), four comprehensive high schools (9-12), one continuation high school (11-12), a vocational education focused charter school, a science-based charter Middle School, an Adult Education Center, Independent Study Programs, a Home School Program, and a self-paced on-line instruction program offer a wide variety of learning opportunities for students of all ages.

Educational programs are designed to be flexible enough to provide a positive educational environment for all students, yet structured enough to ensure attainment of the California Content Standards and passing the California High School Exit Exam. With the support of the community, school staffs have developed highly successful programs in music, agriculture, and athletics.

Hemet Unified School District's Core Values

1. It is the District's responsibility to provide a structure and framework in which students and staff can succeed.
2. All students can develop their intellect and improve their academic achievement level in each subject each year.
3. It is the District's responsibility to recruit, train and retain the very best staff to work in the Hemet Unified School District.
4. Good first teaching is the most powerful tool for improving student achievement.
5. It is the District's responsibility to provide alternative education opportunities that create pathways to success for students who do not do well in a traditional setting.
6. The maintenance and development of students' nutritional and physical well being supports and enhances intellectual development and academic achievement.
7. Participation in activities such as academic competitions, music, drama, sports, clubs and other "non-academic" endeavors develops the human spirit and provides balance between the intellectual, physical and emotional/social development of our students.
8. The quality of interaction with our community, the quality of our published works and the state of our facilities all reflect what we think of ourselves as a district.
9. It is the District's responsibility to respond positively to the changing needs of our community and students.
10. It is the District's responsibility to ensure that the allocation of fiscal resources supports the Core Values of the District.

Enrollment by Student Group	
2009-10 Enrollment: 140	
Black or African American	5
American Indian or Alaska Native	1
Asian	0.71
Filipino	
Hispanic or Latino	33
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	
White	53
Two or More Races	
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	33
English Learners	5
Students with Disabilities	6

Suspensions & Expulsions

This table displays the rate of suspensions and expulsions (the total number of incidents divided by the total enrollment) at the school and district levels for the most recent three-year period.

Suspension Rates						
	School			District		
	07-08	08-09	09-10	07-08	08-09	09-10
Suspensions	0.6	0.5	1.3	14.8	18.4	18.8
Expulsions	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.4	0.5

Types of Services Funded

To help ensure a quality education for all students, state and federal funding is provided for the following special programs to supplement the core instructional program provided by the school district:

EIA - \$2,2695
 EIA/LEP - \$559
 ELAP - \$1,151
 Lottery - \$3,118

Professional Development

The school district provides all certificated and classified members with opportunities for professional growth and training in a variety of programs so that all teachers and paraprofessionals may become highly qualified under the No Child Left Behind law. The focus is on the delivery of a standards-based instructional program. District professional development priorities are outlined in the current LEA addendum as Curriculum Specific Trainings in Language Arts and Mathematics, Administrator Training Program, English Now, BTSA Induction Support for year one and two teachers, and specific Special Education trainings. Peer Assistance Review (PAR) is available to veteran teachers who need unique structure and support. Achievement data is used to determine site support and priorities in professional development. Moreover, seven Strategy Focused Instructional Coaches in language arts and mathematics, provide ongoing support in day to day professional development needs for all instructional personnel. The District revised the Technology Plan in 2006 to include opportunities for staff to increase skills in technology application and instruction.

Categorical funds at the district and site level are designated for a Director of Professional Development, a secretary and an eight hour clerk to coordinate district professional development. The 2010-2011 Professional Development "At a Glance" calendar is posted weekly to share professional development occurring throughout the district.

School Site Safety Plan

SB187 Safety Plan

Date the plan was last updated: April 2009

Date the plan was last reviewed by the staff: April 2009

The Comprehensive Safe School Plan includes data regarding school crime, safe school procedures and compliance with laws including: (1) child abuse reporting, (2) disaster response, (3) suspension and expulsion policies, (4) notification of teachers of dangerous pupils, (5) sexual harassment, (6) schoolwide dress codes prohibiting gang-related apparel, (7) procedures for safe ingress and egress from school, (8) procedures to ensure a safe and orderly environment conducive to learning, and (9) rules and procedures on school discipline adopted pursuant to Ed Code Sections 35291 and 35291.5. A copy of the plan is available for inspection by the public at each school.

Expenditures Per Pupil and Teacher Salaries (FY 08-09)

This table displays a comparison of the school's per pupil expenditures from unrestricted (basic) sources with other schools in the district and throughout the state, and a comparison of the average teacher salary at the school site with average teacher salaries at the district and state levels. Detailed information regarding school expenditures and teacher salaries can be found at the CDE Web site at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ds/fd/ec/> and <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ds/fd/cs/>.

Expenditures Per Pupil and Teacher Salaries				
Level	Expenditures Per Pupil			Average Teacher Salary
	Total	Supp.	Basic	
School	\$5,906	\$309	\$5,597	\$66,765
District	--	--	\$5,847	\$64,956
State	--	--	\$5,681	\$68,179
Percent Difference (School/District)			-4.2	2.8
Percent Difference (School/State)			-1.5	-2.1

Teacher and Administrative Salaries (FY 08-09)

This table displays district-level salary information for teachers, principals, and superintendents, and compares these figures to the state averages for districts of the same type and size. The table also displays teacher and administrative salaries as a percent of a district's budget, and compares these figures to the state averages for districts of the same type and size. Detailed information regarding salaries may be found at the CDE Web site at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ds/fd/cs/>.

Teacher and Administrative Salaries		
Category	District Amount	State Average
Beginning Teacher Salary	40,147	40,421.00
Mid-Range Teacher Salary	66,464.00	60,038.00
Highest Teacher Salary	87,860	79,654.00
Superintendent Salary	250,180.00	223,323
Average Principal Salary (Elementary)	107,901	108,894
Average Principal Salary (Middle)	115,624	113,713
Average Principal Salary (High)	117,801	124,531
% of Budget (Teacher Salaries)	43.55	40.24
% of Budget (Administrative Salaries)	5.58	5.53

Core Academic Classes Taught by NCLB Compliant Teachers

This table displays the percent of classes in core academic subjects taught by No Child Left Behind (NCLB) compliant and non-NCLB compliant teachers at the school, at all schools in the district, at high-poverty schools in the district, and at low-poverty schools in the district. More information on teacher qualifications required under NCLB can be found at the CDE Web site at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/nclb/sr/tq/>.

% of Classes In Core Academic Subjects Taught by Teachers Who Are		
Level	NCLB Compliant	Non-NCLB Compliant
This School	88.89	11.11
All Schools in District	95.43	4.57
High-Poverty Schools		3.38
Low-Poverty Schools		N/A

Academic Counselors and Other Support Staff

This table displays, in units of full-time equivalents (FTE), the number of academic counselors and other support staff who are assigned to the school and the average number of students per academic counselor. One FTE equals one staff member working full time; one FTE could also represent two staff members who each work 50 percent of full time.

Academic Counselors and Other Support Staff	
Title	# of FTE Assigned to School
Academic Counselor	0
Average # of Students per Counselor	
Counselor (Social/Behavioral or Career Development)	0
Library Media Teacher (Librarian)	0
Library Media Services Staff (paraprofessional)	.875
Psychologist	Available as needed
Social Worker	0
Nurse	Available as needed
Health Technician	
Speech/Language/Hearing Specialist	Available as needed
Resource Specialist (non-teaching)	0
Other	0

Teacher Credentials

This table displays the number of teachers assigned to the school with a full credential, without a full credential, and those teaching outside of their subject area of competence. Detailed information about teacher qualifications can be found at the CDE Web site at <http://dq.cde.ca.gov/dataquest/>.

Teacher Credentials				
Teachers	School			District
	07-08	08-09	09-10	09-10
With Full Credential	6	10	7	996
Without Full Credential	0	0	0	14
Outside Subject Area of Competence	0	0	0	108

Teacher Misassignments and Vacant Teacher Positions

This table displays the number of teacher misassignments (teachers assigned without proper legal authorization) and the number of vacant teacher positions (not filled by a single designated teacher assigned to teach the entire course at the beginning of the school year or semester). Note: Total Teacher Misassignments includes the number of Misassignments of Teachers of English Learners.

Misassignments/Vacancies			
	08-09	09-10	10-11
Teachers of English Learners	0	0	0
Total Teacher Misassignments	0	0	0
Vacant Teacher Positions	0	0	0

Facilities Maintenance

Date of Most Recent Inspection: 10/15/10

This year Family Tree Learning Center remained at the same vacated elementary school campus. The classrooms are spacious and conducive to individual appointments as well as large group meetings, activities, or seminars. We share the campus with Helen Hunt Jackson Alternative School, as well as several other district programs. The students have access to clean restrooms nearby their classrooms, as well as drinking fountains in each classroom. The campus is gated and secure.

This table displays the results of the most recently completed school site inspection to determine the school facility's good repair status.

Facility Conditions					
Item Inspected	Repair Status				Repair Needed / Action Taken or Planned
	Exemplary	Good	Fair	Poor	
Systems: Gas Leaks/Mechanical/HVAC/Sewer	[]	[X]	[]	[]	
Interior: Interior Surfaces	[]	[]	[]	[X]	Water stains in ceiling tiles. Carpet loose and tears
Cleanliness: Overall/Pest/Vermin Infestation	[]	[X]	[]	[]	
Electrical: Electrical	[]	[X]	[]	[]	Exposed wires rm 412, 105. Light sensor cover missing. Socket torn away from wall.
Restrooms/Fountains: Restrooms/Sinks/ Fountains	[]	[X]	[]	[]	
Safety: Fire Safety/Hazardous Materials	[]	[X]	[]	[]	
Structural: Structural Damage/Roofs	[]	[X]	[]	[]	
External: Grounds/Windows/ Doors/Gates/Fences	[]	[X]	[]	[]	Rooms P-601 thru 606 have paint chipping rails and siding. Walkway cracked, trip hazard. Hole in pavement, bottom of ramp. Metal protruding edge OG door. Parking lot cracks/trip hazard throughout.
Overall Rating	[]	[X]	[]	[]	

Curriculum and Instructional Materials

A District committee considers textbooks for recommendation on a cycle established by the State Board of Education and from a State adopted list. The committee meets to discuss current issues relevant to the subject matter, including student success, previously used textbooks, and instructional methods. The committee reviews demonstration copies of proposed textbooks, as well as listen to representatives describe the various highlights of the available materials. The review is followed by a pilot of materials that results in consensus by the committee of a recommended textbook. The textbook is forwarded to a K-12 Curriculum Council, which consists of teachers, parents, and community stakeholders, for review and approval. If the textbook is approved by the K-12 Curriculum Council, the textbook is forwarded to the Superintendent and the Governing Board for their review and approval. Each pupil in the district, kindergarten through grade twelve, is provided with standards-aligned textbooks or basic instructional materials that are consistent with the content and cycles of the curriculum framework adopted by the State Board.

In accordance with Education Code Section 60422(a) and 60119, the Governing Board certified on 10/5/10 that each pupil in the district, in kindergarten through grade twelve, has been provided with standards-aligned textbooks or basic instructional materials in each of the areas listed below (0% lack textbooks and/or instructional materials in any of the listed areas). The chart below outlines the textbooks adopted and used by Hemet Unified School District.

Adopted Textbooks				
Grade Levels / Title		Publisher	Edition	Adopted
Reading/Language Arts				
K-5	Open Court Reading	SRA/McGraw Hill	2002	5/02
6-8	Holt Literature & Lang Arts	Harcourt Brace	2003	5/02
English Language Development				
K-5	English Now! V 2.0	LitConn, Inc.	2007	12/06
6-12	English Now, V 2.0	LitConn, Inc.	2007	12/06
6-12	High Point	National Geographic	2001	6/05
Mathematics				
K-5	Scott Foresman – Addison Wesley enVisionMath - California	Pearson Scott Foresman	2009	6/08
6-8	McDougal Littell CA Math Course 1, Course 2, Algebra 1	McDougal, Littell (Houghton Mifflin)	2008	6/08
6-8	California Algebra Readiness	McDougal, Littell and Company	2008	6/08
8	California Algebra Readiness	McDougal, Littell and Company	2008	6/08
8-12	California Geometry	McDougal Littell	2007	6/08
Social Science				
K-5	History-Social Science for California	Pearson, Scott-Foresman	2006	6/07
6	History Alive! The Ancient World	Teachers' Curriculum Institute	2005	6/07
7	History Alive! The Medieval World	Teachers' Curriculum Institute	2005	6/07
8	History Alive! The United States Through Industrialism	Teachers' Curriculum Institute	2005	6/07
Foreign Language				
6-8	Dime! Uno	McDougal Littell	1997	
Science				
K-5	Harcourt Science California Edition	Harcourt Brace	2001	3/01
6	Earth Science	Holt, Rinehart & Winston	2001	3/01
7	Life Science	Holt, Rinehart & Winston	2001	3/01
8	Physical Science	Holt, Rinehart & Winston	2001	3/01
Health				
K-5	Health and Fitness	Harcourt, Inc.	2006	7/05
6-8	Decisions for Health	Holt, Rinehart & Winston	2005	7/05
Interventions Programs for Reading/Language Arts				
Grade Levels / Title		Publisher	Edition	Adopted
Reading/Language Arts				
4-12	SRA/Reach	SRA/McGraw Hill	2005	5/05
4-12	High Point EI	Hampton-Brown Co.	2001	5/05
4-12	Scholastic Read 180	Scholastic, Inc.	2002	5/05

California Physical Fitness Test Results

Every year, the California Physical Fitness Test is administered to students in grades 5, 7, and 9 only. This table displays by grade level the percent of students scoring in the healthy fitness zone on four out of five, five out of five and all six fitness standards for the most recent testing period.

California Physical Fitness Test Results			
	4 of 6	5 of 6	6 of 6
Grade 5	55.6	22.2	0.0
Grade 7	25.0	15.4	5.8

DataQuest and Access to Data

DataQuest is an online data tool located on the CDE DataQuest Web page at <http://dq.cde.ca.gov/dataquest/> that contains additional information about this school and comparisons of the school to the district, the county, and the state. Specifically, DataQuest is a dynamic system that provides reports for accountability (e.g. Academic Performance Index [API], Adequate Yearly Progress [AYP], test data, enrollment, graduates, dropouts, course enrollments, staffing, and data regarding English learners). Internet access is available at public libraries and other locations that are publicly accessible (e.g., the California State Library). Access to the Internet at libraries and public locations is generally provided on a first-come, first-served basis. Other use restrictions include the hours of operation, the length of time that a workstation may be used (depending on availability), the types of software programs available on a workstation, and the ability to print documents.

California Standards Tests (CST)

The California Standards Tests (CSTs) show how well students are doing in relation to the state content standards. The CSTs include English-language arts and mathematics in grades 2 through 11; science in grades 5, 8, 9, 10, and 11; and history-social science in grades 8, 9, 10, and 11. Student scores are reported as performance levels. Detailed information regarding CST results for each grade and performance level, including the percent of students not tested, can be found at the CDE Web site at <http://star.cde.ca.gov>. Note: Scores are not shown when the number of students tested is 10 or less, either because the number of students in this category is too small for statistical accuracy, or to protect student privacy.

CST Results for All Students - Three-Year Comparison

This table displays the percent of students achieving at the Proficient or Advanced level (meeting or exceeding the state standards).

Percent of Students Scoring At Proficient or Advanced									
Subject	School			District			State		
	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10
English-Language Arts	34	52	52	43	48	48	46	50	52
Mathematics	16	34	34	37	41	41	43	46	48
Science	15	33	33	39	47	47	46	50	54
History-Social Science	10	27	27	31	36	36	36	41	44

CST Results by Student Group - Most Recent Year

This table displays the percent of students, by group, achieving at the Proficient or Advanced level (meeting or exceeding the state standards) for the most recent testing period.

Percent of Students Scoring At Proficient or Advanced				
Student Group	English-Language Arts	Mathematics	Science	History-Social Science
All Students in the LEA				
All Student at the School				
Male	50	42	50	42
Female	55	27	21	15
Black or African American	18	18	*	*
American Indian or Alaska Native	*	*	*	*
Asian	*	*		
Filipino				
Hispanic or Latino	52	40	28	25
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	*	*	*	
White	57	33	41	32
Two or More Races	*	*	*	*
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged	45	28	30	21
English Learners	*	*	*	*
Students with Disabilities	*	*		*
Students Receiving Migrant Education Services				

Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP)

The federal NCLB Act requires that all schools and districts meet the following Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) criteria: 1) Participation rate on the state's standards-based assessments in English-language arts (ELA) and mathematics, 2) Percent proficient on the state's standards-based assessments in ELA and mathematics, 3) API as an additional indicator and 4) Graduation rate (for secondary schools).

AYP Overall and by Criteria

This table displays an indication of whether the school and the district made AYP overall and whether the school and the district met each of the AYP criteria.

AYP Criteria		
	School	District
AYP Overall	Yes	No
Participation Rate:		
English-Language Arts	Yes	Yes
Mathematics	Yes	Yes
Percent Proficient:		
English-Language Arts	Yes	No
Mathematics	Yes	No
API	Yes	Yes
Graduation Rate (High Schools)	N/A	Yes
Number of Schools Currently in PI	N/A	16
Percent of Schools Currently in PI	N/A	59.3

2010 Growth API Comparison by Student Group

This table displays by student group the actual API changes in points added or lost for the past three years, and the most recent API score. Note: "N/A" means that the student group is not numerically significant.

API Changes			
Student Group	2010 Growth API		
	School	LEA	State
All Students at the School	742	753	767
Black or African American		692	686
American Indian or Alaska Native		720	728
Asian		838	890
Filipino		837	851
Hispanic or Latino		723	715
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander			753
White	735	794	838
Two or More Races			808
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged		726	712
English Learners		687	692
Students with Disabilities		607	580

Federal Intervention Program

Schools and districts receiving federal Title I funding enter Program Improvement (PI) if they do not make AYP for two consecutive years in the same content area (English-language arts or mathematics) or on the same indicator (API or graduation rate). After entering PI, schools and districts advance to the next level of intervention with each additional year that they do not make AYP. Detailed information about PI identification can be found at the CDE Web site at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/ay/>.

Program Improvement Status		
	School	District
PI Status		In PI
First Year of PI		2004-2005
Year in PI		Year 3

API Changes by Student Group - Three-Year Comparison

This table displays by student group the actual API changes in points added or lost for the past three years, and the most recent API score. Note: "N/A" means that the student group is not numerically significant.

API Changes			
Student Group	Actual Change		
	07-08	08-09	09-10
All Students at the School	2	54	60
Black or African American			
American Indian or Alaska Native			
Asian			
Filipino			
Hispanic or Latino			
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander			
White		41	48
Two or More Races			
Socioeconomically Disadvantaged		68	
English Learners			
Students with Disabilities			

Academic Performance Index (API)

The Academic Performance Index (API) is an annual measure of the academic performance and progress of schools in California. API scores range from 200 to 1,000, with a statewide target of 800. Detailed information about the API can be found at the CDE Web site at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/ap/>.

API Ranks - Three-Year Comparison

API Ranks			
	2007	2008	2009
Statewide	1 *	1	1
Similar Schools		1	1