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**Kern County Innovative & Impactful Schools (I**<sup>2</sup>**S)** is a county wide program implemented by Kern County Superintendent of Schools to acknowledge schools who are high-performing and improving student outcomes based on these three pillars of success.

## Cesar E. Chavez Elementary

Award based on 2019 CAASPP ELA and Math Based upon 3 year average

ELA: 35.1 points above Distance from Standard Math: 11.5 points above Distance from Standard

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## **School Profile**

Cesar Chavez is a suburban residential school on the east side of Bakersfield. The TK- $6^{th}$  grade school has an enrollment of 613 students. It also serves as a science magnet school for qualifying  $1^{st}-6^{th}$  grade students. In addition to grade level teachers, the school has the following support for students and staff: enrichment reading teacher, reading teacher, 4 special education teachers, family and community education liaison, behavior intervention specialist, and librarian.

## **School Demographics**

The ethnicity of the student population is as follows: 64.6% Hispanic or Latino and 24.3% White. The additional student groups from this population includes: 45% Socioeconomically Disadvantaged, 13.8% Students with Disabilities, and 4% English Learners.

## **Self-Identified Contributing Factors**

• Staff, students, parents, and stakeholders are familiar with the 3 school goals: 1) positive campus environments through relationship building, 2) develop and maintain high expectations for students and staff, and 3) accelerate student learning.



- Professional Learning Communities (PLCs):
  - Utilize grade level collaboration time to review common formative assessments, running records and data analysis.
- Good First Instruction which includes:
  - o Grade level identified essential standards.
  - o Minimum expectations at the end of each of the 4 quarters stated and agreed upon by teachers.
  - o Learning intentions and success criteria.

Daily school-wide guided reading with struggling readers through the following avenues :

- Morning read includes guided reading tenets by parents, peer tutors, and teachers during the first period of the day.
- Buddy read guided reading with cross-age class to class tutoring.
- Readers from the community use guided reading to read with students in primary grades.
- Intervention read through guided reading tactics by certificated teachers.
- Surface to deep transfer learning.
- Instructional strategies for differentiated learning.
- Response to Intervention (RTI):
  - o Instructional support blocks where intervention, core curriculum, and enrichment are running simultaneously.
- School-Wide Positive Behavior Intervention and Support (PBIS) through:
  - Restorative practices, social skills group, classroom circles, and social emotional learning.
- Parent Engagement and Community Involvement through:
  - o Parent Café/Literacy/Math Nights.
  - o Professional learning for parents in guided reading.
- Common Assessments:
  - o Running records Fountas and Pinnell.
  - o Benchmark Assessment System- Fountas and Pinnell.

