

Continuation High School Afterschool: Survey Report

OVERVIEW

In 2009, Temescal Associates initiated a project to raise the awareness of school-based, afterschool programs that operate within continuation high school settings. We sought to identify their unique contributions to continuation high school youth and the schools that serve them.

We worked to identify programs across California, learn about their program practices and their needs, and host events to build their knowledge and capacity. We will profile a small group of afterschool programs and document their innovative program components in a subsequent article.

Below is a summary of our learnings based on a brief survey we conducted. This is followed by a full summary of the survey responses from program leaders and contact list of the California programs we identified.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF SURVEY RESULTS

We sent surveys out to 23 continuation high school afterschool program leaders and asked them to pass the survey on to other afterschool programs in continuation school settings. We received 16 surveys back, representing programs across the state. (We did not get information in this first survey on the success of these programs meeting their attendance goals.)

Through this survey we learned that most programs have a diverse set of offerings, which are particularly weighted toward academic support. We think that this is appropriate given that the continuation school setting represents the last opportunity for these youth to earn their high school diploma. We also learned that many of the programs share common components. The most common included:

- Programs that offer credits toward graduation;
- Programs that offer tutoring;
- Programs that utilize credentialed teachers;
- Programs that offer youth leadership opportunities;
- Programs that offer instruction and/or remediation;
- Programs that feature partnerships with community colleges; and
- Programs that offer community service and volunteering.

Those program components that were cited least were:

- Programs that support recent graduates;
- Programs that refer recent graduates to outside programs;
- Programs that employ youth; and
- Programs for pregnant teens and new parents.

When program leaders were asked to list what program components they would like to learn more about, the most popular included:

- Programs that employ youth;
- Programs that support recent graduates;
- Programs that offer community service and volunteering;
- Programs that utilize multiple funding streams; and
- Programs based on partnerships with community colleges.

Efforts to build the knowledge and capacity of afterschool programs within continuation high school settings should take their cue from this list.

The program components that program leaders were least interested in learning more about included those which focused on academic supports. As noted above, these were program components that were already in place. They included:

- Programs that offer tutoring;
- Programs that offer credits toward graduation;
- Programs that offer instruction and/or remediation; and
- Programs that utilize credentialed teachers.

Programs were asked about the kind of follow-up support they'd like to receive from Temescal Associates. Programs expressed interest in the following areas:

- Participating in an upcoming conference call/WebEx gathering of program leaders from continuation high schools: 12 of 16
- Participating in a face-to-face gathering of program leaders at upcoming afterschool conferences: 13 of 16
- Receiving information from Temescal Associates regarding afterschool programs that successfully serve continuation high school youth: 14 of 16

FULL SURVEY RESULTS

1. We asked survey participants to identify their role in the continuation high school afterschool program where they worked.

Role	Number of respondents
School District or county of education office	1
Oversee continuation high school afterschool programs from a distance	4
Oversee continuation high school and work directly on the school site	12
Work hands-on with continuation high school students on a daily basis	14

2. Below is a list of what is currently being offered at the programs we surveyed. The number within the parenthesis indicates the number of programs offering this feature.

Programs that offer credits toward graduation

School/Program (15)	
Monrovia HS	Fair View HS
Rudsdale Continuation	Montecito HS
New Village HS	Ocean Shores HS
Cesar Chavez Continuation	Palomar HS
Yettum Continuation	Twain HS
Garfield HS	Oak Glen HS
Chaparral HS	Valley HS
Twin Oaks HS	

Programs that offer tutoring

School/Program (16)	
Monrovia HS	Montecito HS
Rudsdale Continuation	Ocean Shores HS
New Village HS	Palomar HS
Cesar Chavez Continuation	Yettum Continuation
Fair View HS	Twain HS
Garfield HS	Oak Glen HS
Chaparral HS	Valley HS
Twin Oaks HS	Hare Continuation

Programs that utilize credentialed teachers

School/Program (15)	
Monrovia HS	Montecito HS
Rudsdale Continuation	Ocean Shores HS
New Village HS	Palomar HS
Cesar Chavez Continuation	Yettum Continuation
Fair View HS	Twain HS
Garfield HS	Oak Glen HS
Chaparral HS	Valley HS
Twin Oaks HS	

Programs that offer leadership opportunities

School/Program (14)	
Monrovia HS	Ocean Shores HS
Rudsdale Continuation	Palomar HS
New Village HS	Twin Oaks HS
Fair View HS	Twain HS
Montecito HS	Garfield HS
Chaparral HS	Oak Glen HS
Valley HS	Hare Continuation

Programs that offer instruction and/or remediation

School/Program (13)	
Monrovia HS	Ocean Shores HS
Rudsdale Continuation	Twain HS
Cesar Chavez Continuation	Garfield HS
Fair View HS	Oak Glen HS
Montecito HS	Valley HS
Chaparral HS	Twin Oaks HS
Yettum Continuation	

Partnerships with community colleges

School/Program (13)	
Rudsdale Continuation	Monrovia HS
Vail Continuation	Cesar Chavez Continuation
Fair View HS	Montecito HS
Ocean Shores HS	Palomar HS
Twain HS	Garfield HS
Chaparral HS	Valley HS
Twin Oaks HS	

Programs that offer community service and volunteering

School/Program (13)	
Monrovia HS	Palomar HS
Rudsdale Continuation	Twin Oaks HS
Fair View HS	Twain HS
Montecito HS	Garfield HS
Ocean Shores HS	Oak Glen HS
Chaparral HS	Valley HS
Hare Continuation	

Programs that utilize multiple funding streams

School/Program (11)	
Monrovia HS	New Village HS
Vail Continuation	Cesar Chavez Continuation
Fair View HS	Montecito HS
Palomar HS	Twain HS
Garfield HS	Chaparral HS
Oak Glen HS	

Partnerships with ROP

School/Program (11)	
Monrovia HS	Palomar HS
Rudsdale Continuation	Twain HS
Cesar Chavez Continuation	Garfield HS
Fair View HS	Chaparral HS
Montecito HS	Valley HS
Ocean Shores HS	

Strong partnerships with district leaders/departments

School/Program (12)	
Monrovia HS	Ocean Shores HS
Rudsdale Continuation	Palomar HS
Cesar Chavez Continuation	Chaparral HS
Fair View HS	Valley HS
Montecito HS	Twin Oaks HS
Yettum Continuation	Hare Continuation

Programs that are student-driven

School/Program (11)	
Monrovia HS	Twain HS
Rudsdale Continuation	Chaparral HS
New Village HS	Oak Glen HS
Ocean Shores HS	Valley HS
Palomar HS	Twin Oaks HS
Hare Continuation	

Programs that teach work force skills

School/Program (10)	
Monrovia HS	Ocean Shores HS
Rudsdale Continuation	Palomar HS
Cesar Chavez Continuation	Twain HS
Fair View HS	Garfield HS
Montecito HS	Chaparral HS

Partnerships with probation

School/Program (8)	
New Village HS	Monrovia HS
Vail Continuation	Cesar Chavez Continuation HS
Fair View HS	Palomar HS
Twain HS	Chaparral HS

Transportation resources

School/Program (7)	
Montecito HS	Chaparral HS
Palomar HS	Oak Glen HS
Garfield HS	Twin Oaks HS
Twain HS	

Programs for pregnant teens and new parents

School/Program (6)	
Monrovia HS	Garfield HS
New Village HS	Ocean Shores HS
Palomar HS	Twain HS

Programs that employ youth

School/Program (5)	
Monrovia HS	New Village HS
Rudsdale Continuation	Fair View HS
Valley HS	

Programs that we refer recent grads to

School/Program (4)	
Fair View HS	Monrovia HS
Twain HS	Garfield HS

Programs that support recent grads

School/Program (2)	
Fair View HS	Monrovia HS

3. Below is a list of afterschool programs that would like to learn more about. The number within the parenthesis indicates the number of programs offering this feature.

Programs that employ youth

School/Program (10)	
Rudsdale Continuation	Twain HS
Fair View HS	Chaparral HS
Montecito HS	Oak Glen HS
Ocean Shores HS	Twin Oaks HS
Palomar HS	Hare Continuation

Programs that support recent grads

School/Program (11)	
Rudsdale Continuation	Palomar HS
New Village HS	Twain HS
Fair View HS	Valley HS
Montecito HS	Yettum Continuation
Ocean Shores HS	Twin Oaks HS
Hare Continuation	

Programs that utilize multiple funding streams

School/Program (7)	
Rudsdale Continuation	Twin Oaks HS
Cesar Chavez Continuation	Yettum Continuation
Ocean Shores HS	Palomar HS
Valley HS	

Partnerships with community colleges

School/Program (7)	
Rudsdale Continuation	Cesar Chavez Continuation
New Village HS	Fair View HS
Oak Glen HS	Twin Oaks HS
Hare Continuation	

Programs that teach work force skills

School/Program (5)	
Rudsdale Continuation	Twain HS
Oak Glen HS	Chaparral HS
Twin Oaks HA	

Transportation resources

School/Program (6)	
Rudsdale Continuation	Fair View HS
Cesar Chavez Continuation	Palomar HS
Twain HS	Hare Continuation

Programs that are student-driven

School/Program (4)	
Rudsdale Continuation	Fair View HS
Cesar Chavez Continuation	Garfield HS

Programs that we refer recent grads to

School/Program (4)	
Rudsdale Continuation	Ocean Shores HS
Fair View HS	Hare Continuation

Partnerships with probation

School/Program (5)	
Rudsdale Continuation	Chaparral HS
Fair View HS	Twin Oaks HS
Hare Continuation	

Strong partnerships with district leaders/departments

School/Program (3)	
Rudsdale Continuation	Twin Oaks HS
New Village HS	

Programs for pregnant teens and new parents

School/Program (3)	
Rudsdale Continuation	Montecito HS
Fair View HS	Twin Oaks HS

Partnerships with ROP

School/Program (3)	
Rudsdale Continuation	Twin Oaks HS
Hare Continuation	

Programs that offer leadership opportunities

School/Program (3)	
Rudsdale Continuation	Fair View HS
Cesar Chavez Continuation	

Programs that offer community service and volunteering

School/Program (3)	
Rudsdale Continuation	Oak Glen HS
Palomar HS	

Programs that utilize credentialed teachers

School/Program (3)	
Monrovia HS	Rudsdale Continuation
Hare Continuation	

Programs that offer instruction and/or remediation

School/Program (3)	
Rudsdale Continuation	Palomar HS
Hare Continuation	

Programs that offer credits toward graduation

School/Program (2)	
Rudsdale Continuation	Hare Continuation

Programs that offer tutoring

School/Program (1)	
Rudsdale Continuation	

4. Programs were asked about the kind of follow-up support they'd like to receive from Temescal Associates. Programs expressed interest in the following areas:

Area of Support	Number of respondents
Participating in an upcoming conference call/WebEx gathering of program leaders from continuation high schools	13
Participating in a face-to-face gathering of program leaders at upcoming afterschool conferences	14
Receiving information from Temescal Associates regarding afterschool programs that successfully serve continuation high school youth	15

About Temescal Associates

Temescal Associates is dedicated to building the capacity of leaders and organizations in education and youth development who are serious about improving the lives of young people. Our clients include leaders of youth serving institutions and organizations, school and youth program practitioners, public and private funders, intermediary organizations, and policy makers. Their work ranges from building large scale youth and community initiatives to providing services to young people on a day-to-day basis.

To accomplish this, Temescal Associates draws on a pool of gifted and highly experienced consultants who excel at eliciting the internal knowledge and wisdom of those we work with while introducing new knowledge and strategies that can transform the day-to-day practices that lead to improved youth outcomes.

CONTINUATION HIGH SCHOOL AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM CONTACT LIST

Region	High School	School District	City	Contact Person	Contact Info
1	NO CONTINUATION HIGH SCHOOLS IN REGION 1				
2	Salisbury HS	Red Bluff Joint Union HS District	Red Bluff	Christine Broughton	cbrought@rbuhsd.k12.ca.us
2	Fair View HS	Butte Chico Unified	Chico	Dave McKay (Asst Principal) or Janet Brinson	dmckay@chicousd.org; jbrinson@chicousd.org
3	American Legion HS	Sacramento City Unified	Sacramento	Kathy Whiteside	whitesik@sac-city.k12.ca.us
3	Galt Joint Union	Galt Joint Union Dist.	Galt	Tony Lara	tlar@ghsd.k12.ca.us
3	Yolo County Office of Edu.			Krista Purdom	Krista.purdom@ycoe.org
4	Rudsdale Continuation HS	Oakland Unified	Oakland	Victor Vasquez, Afterschool Coordinator	Vvasquez@bacr.org
4	Riverside HS	Pittsburg Unified	Pittsburg	Martha Strock	mstrock@pittsburg.k12.ca.us
4	Street Academy	Oakland Unified	Oakland	David Chen	(510) 874-3630
4	Lincoln HS	San Leandro Unified	San Leandro	Heather Payne	hpayne@sanleandro.k12.ca.us
4	Downtown HS	San Francisco Unified	San Francisco	Laura Chavez	ChavezL1@sfusd.edu
4	Ida B Wells HS	San Francisco Unified	San Francisco	Laura Chavez	ChavezL1@sfusd.edu
5	UNKNOWN			Mara Wold	

Region	High School	School District	City	Contact Person	Contact Info
6	NO CONTINUATION HIGH SCHOOLS IN REGION 6			Lori Ward, Regional Lead	lward@stancoe.org
?	Waterford Unified	Stanislaus County	Waterford	J. Gonzalez	jgonzalez@waterford.k12.ca.us
7	Lovell HS	Cutler-Orosi Joint Unified	Orosi	Logan Robertson, Asst. Director of Community Services	lrobertson@cojUSD.org
7	Yettum Continuation HS	Cutler-Orosi Joint Unified	Orosi	Logan Robertson	lrobertson@cojUSD.org
7	Bravo HS	Visalia Family YMCA	Woodlake	Janice Bardone	Janice@visaliaymca.org
8	NO CONTINUATION HS IN REGION 8			Marcella Klein Williams, Regional Lead	mkleinwilliams@vcoe.org
	Santa Barbara County Unified School District			Michele Broadrax	michelebroadrax@hotmail.ca
9	San Diego County Office Of Ed			Deb Pint	dpint@sdcoe.net
9	Escondido Unified HS	Escondido UHSD	Escondido	Deb Pint	dpint@sdcoe.net
9	Hare Continuation HS	Garden Grove Unified	Garden Grove	Mikayla Curtis, Director of HS programs	mikayla@bgcgg.org
9	Garfield HS	San Diego Unified	San Diego	Deb Pint Jolie Pickett, Principal	dpint@sdcoe.net; pickett@sandi.net
9	Twain HS	San Diego Unified	San Diego	Deb Pint	dpint@sdcoe.net
9	Ocean Shores HS	Oceanside Unified	Oceanside	Deb Pint	dpint@sdcoe.net
9	Twin Oaks HS	San Marcos Unified	San Marcos	Deb Pint	dpint@sdcoe.net
9	Oak Glen HS	Valley Center-Pauma USD	Valley Center	Deb Pint	dpint@sdcoe.net

Region	High School	School District	City	Contact Person	Contact Info
9	Montecito HS	Ramona USD	Ramona	Deb Pint	dpint@sdcoe.net
9	Chaparral HS	Grossmont UHSD	El Cajun	Deb Pint	dpint@sdcoe.net
9	Ivy HS	Fallbrook UHSD	Fallbrook	Deb Pint	dpint@sdcoe.net
9	Palomar HS	Sweetwater Unified	Chula Vista	Deb Pint	dpint@sdcoe.net
9	Valley HS	Escondido Unified	Escondido	Deb Pint	dpint@sdcoe.net
10	NO CONTINUATION HS IN REGION 10			Martha Hall, Regional Lead	martha_hall@sbcss.k12.ca.us
11	LACOE			Ronnie Clare	oclare@aol.com
11	Mountain Park School	Monrovia Unified	Monrovia	Flint Fertig, Director of Adult Ed, ROP and Alt. programs	ffertig@monrovia.k12.ca.us
11	Cesar Chavez HS	Santa Ana Unified	Compton	Dennis Winsheffle, Program Coordinator	DadsAcnt@aol.com
11	Vail Continuation HS	Montebello Unified	Montebello	Dennis Winsheffle	DadsAcnt@aol.com
11	El Rancho Unified School District		Pico Rivera	Michael Cervantes	Michael@learnla.org
11	Frontier HS	Kern HS Dist.	Bakersfield	Michael Cervantes	Michael@learnla.org
11	Ledesma Continuation HS	El Monte Union HS Dist.	El Monte	Michael Cervantes	Michael@learnla.org
11	New Village Charter School		Los Angeles	Russel Cowan, Program Coordinator	newvillagehs@ypiusa.org
N/A		CDE/ Education Options Office (Continuation HS)		Dennis Fisher	dfisher@cde.ca.gov

Region	Organization	School District	City	Contact Person	Contact Info
N/A	Laney College Machine and Technology Program	N/A	Oakland	Louis Quindlen, Chair of MT Program	lquindlen@peralta.edu
N/A	Las Positas College/College Foundation Semester Program	N/A	Livermore	Leslie Gravino, Internship Coordinator	lgravino@laspositascollege.edu
N/A	Think Together	N/A	Santa Ana	Bill Fennessy, Think Together	bfennessy@thinktogether.org
N/A	Hope Through Housing	N/A	Rancho Cucanmonga	Susan Neufeld	sneufeld@hthf.org