

# MARIPOSA COUNTY YOUTH ACTIVITIES

## Mariposa County Unified School District

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The Mariposa County Unified School District consists of 13 Schools with a total student population of approximately 2,350 students.

### THE SCHOOLS

#### **The Alternative Education Campus**

The Alternative Education campus is located 46 miles west of Yosemite National park and one mile west of Mariposa. The campus is home to four alternative education programs including continuation high school, and elementary opportunity schools. The student count for this campus, which includes EOC, OHS, and SHHS totals approximately 250 students. This rural setting has modern facilities including a growing library, computer lab and internet-connected computers in every classroom.



#### **Mariposa County Independent Learning School**

The Mariposa County Independent Learning School is Mariposa County Unified School District's Home Schooling program. The school is located at 4613 Highway 49 South, Building C near the New Beginnings Church. The school is easily accessible. The school provides a comprehensive independent study program for students in grades K – 12 who prefer this type of instructional setting. The curriculum and textbooks for the core academic subjects is the same as that used in the traditional MCUSD schools so that students can transition easily between MCILS and other schools. The school has been growing steadily over the past 3 years. Enrollment for the school in 2006-07 was 161 students. The school has an up to date library, wireless computer lab and a variety of other instructional resources to support student achievement.

#### **Catheys Valley Elementary School**

Catheys Valley Elementary School is a K-6 school located in the rural western foothills of Mariposa County. It is a small necessary school within the Mariposa County Unified School District. We currently serve 79 students with a staff of five teachers, a full-time secretary, a part-time custodian, and several aides and volunteers. We converted to a teacher-led school in 2005. We have a Lead Teacher who also serves as the Opportunity Class Teacher. Kindergarten is a separate class while all other classes are combination: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6. There is also a non-profit Pre-school Cooperative on campus two days per week. The Director of Educational Services for our district is our key contact person in the district office and assists us with administrative matters. We are a California Distinguished School with a current API of 845. We are also on the Honor Roll of the California Business for Education Excellence Foundation.

#### **Coulterville-Greeley Elementary School**

Located in the Sierra Mountains along the original wagon trail to Yosemite National Park, Coulterville-Greeley Elementary School was founded in the 1850's by gold miners who settled in the area. Serving students from the communities of Coulterville and Greeley Hill, the K-8 grade school offers a challenging range of regular instructional programs and an exciting variety of extracurricular activities in a safe, positive, and caring environment. This school serves approximately 100 students in grades K-8, including approximately 20 RSP students and has been named as a California Distinguished School, is a Golden Bell award winner, and was nominated for a national Blue Ribbon award.

#### **Coulterville High School**

Coulterville High School is a "necessary small high school" located in the northern Mariposa County town of Coulterville. The student population is twenty-four which includes Independent Study students. The entire curriculum is provided by three teachers and one secretary/teacher aide. The community of Coulterville is a product of the California Gold Rush. Its history tells a story of a small mining town whose population exploded to well over ten thousand in the late 1800's with rich gold mines and frontier-style daring. Presently most of Coulterville's one hundred fifty residents work in the tourist industry or live in retirement.

#### **Jesse Benton Fremont School**

The Jessie Benton Fremont School, founded in 1994, serves as Mariposa County's only Community Day School. The campus is located on five beautifully landscaped acres with over one hundred trees, rose garden and lawns along with the William Pettus Outdoor Art Gallery. The school is located in the town of Hornitos which has a rich history dating back to the era of the gold rush. Students range in age from 12-18 and are in grades 7-12.

#### **Lake Don Pedro Elementary School**

Lake Don Pedro Elementary School is a rural school located in the foothills of northwestern Mariposa County. It began as a necessary small school but has grown to serve approximately 200 students from North Mariposa and South Tuolumne County. Beginning in the 1990-91 school year, Lake Don Pedro became a K-8 school. This school serves grades K-8, including approximately 15 RSP students. The staff consists of ten teachers and several classified staff.

*Compliments of the Mariposa County Arts Council*

### Mariposa County High School

Mariposa County High School (Home of the Grizzlies) is located 45 miles west of Yosemite National Park at 1900 feet elevation in the historic town of Mariposa. The school has approximately 650 students with minimal student discipline problems and a dedicated teaching staff who care and work closely with students. MCHS is ranked in the top 15% academically of schools in California, has an excellent 26:1 student to teacher ratio, and enjoys outstanding men's and women's sports programs. MCHS is also noted in the community for offering outstanding programs in Art, Music, Drama, Firefighting, Welding, Criminal Justice, and Multimedia.

### Mariposa Elementary School

Mariposa Elementary School is located in the county seat of rural Mariposa County in the picturesque Sierra foothills, 34 miles southwest of Yosemite National Park. The school is arranged over three levels of a hillside and has approximately 300 students in Kindergarten through 6th grade, Preschool, K-6 Special Day Class, and thirteen kindergarten through sixth grade classrooms. We are fortunate to have a very dedicated staff and many volunteers working for our students.

### Mariposa Middle School

Mariposa Middle School is located near the town of Mariposa on twenty-five beautiful rolling, wooded acres. This school serves approximately 280 students in grades 7 and 8 coming from various parts of the County. The program is fully departmentalized, offering required and elective subjects, which are standards-based. Many parents and past students have commended this school as "an outstanding example of successful teaching and learning, setting high standards for all students, rigorous graduation requirements, strong family and community involvement, and a safe and clean environment."

### Woodland Elementary School

Woodland Elementary School is located in the county of rural Mariposa County in the picturesque Sierra foothills, 34 miles southwest of Yosemite National Park. The facility is arranged in a park-like setting and houses 500 students in Kindergarten through 6th grade. There is a Resource program, Special Day class, Library Media Center/Distance Learning Room, Science/Computer Room and twenty-one kindergarten through sixth grade classrooms .

### Yosemite National Park El Portal Elementary School

Yosemite National Park El Portal Elementary School is located in the small town of El Portal, which lies in the Merced River Canyon at the entrance of Yosemite National Park. We have approximately 50 students in grades K-6 and three teaching positions. Visual and performing arts are an integral part of our curriculum. We are adjacent to the county library. We have access to hiking trails, the county swimming pool and tennis courts, and our own greenhouse. We have established teaching partnerships with the National Park Service and Yosemite Institute.

### Yosemite National Park Valley School

Yosemite National Park's Valley Elementary School was first organized in 1875. The current facility, located in the heart of Yosemite Valley, was completed in 1956 and renovated in 1996. We are proud of the school's heritage in the remarkable valley. Our small K-8 serves approximately 35 children of park personnel in multi-graded classrooms. We currently have two teaching positions as well as an Equal Opportunity class. Curriculum and instruction are driven by District adopted core academic standards. Instruction is often individualized, as well as project-based, with a strong service-learning component. Longstanding tradition has dictated a close connection to the community agencies and parents who support the school.

### Yosemite Park High School

Yosemite Park High School is located in the small town of El Portal, which lies in the Merced River Canyon at the entrance of Yosemite National Park. Two teachers share the classroom with from five to twenty students in grades 9-12. We are adjacent to the county library. We have access to hiking trails, the county swimming pool and tennis courts, and our own greenhouse. We have established teaching partnerships with the National Park Service and Yosemite Institute.



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Yosemite Valley School

Merced Community College	<a href="http://www.mccd.edu">www.mccd.edu</a>
University of CA Merced	<a href="http://www.ucmerced.edu">www.ucmerced.edu</a>
Mariposa Little League	966-1786
Mariposa Youth Girls Softball	966-1185
Mariposa Martial Arts Academy	742-4501
Piano, Keyboard, Organ Lessons	(559)-683-4027
Piano Lessons	742-7553
Mariposa Academy of Performing Arts	742-7303
MUIR TRAIL GIRL SCOUTS	966-1449
Boy Scouts of America Troop #94	966-2780
Cub Scout Pack 94	966-2780
4-H Club Youth Development	966-4829
American Youth Soccer Association	966-1240
Mariposa Youth Football	966-1500
Mariposa Bears Cheerleading	966-1500
Mariposa Search and Rescue	966-3615
Native Daughters of the Golden West	742-6588
Mariposa Academy of Performing Arts	742-7303
Swim Lessons—Parks & Recreation	966-2498
Mariposa Child Care Planning Council	966-6299