

ASES (After School Education and Safety) Program

Alhambra Afterschool Adventures

making a difference in the lives of students...

Program Fact Sheet

Alhambra Afterschool Adventures is a district-wide program that provides afterschool homework/tutoring assistance and enrichment activities at twelve Alhambra USD Elementary Schools. This program is funded through California Department of Education's ASES funding.

Each school serves 100 to 120 students, enrolled on a first-come, first-served basis. Alhambra Afterschool Adventures is located at every school except Brightwood. Current enrollment is over **1,200** students.

Each site has one **Youth Specialist** and six **Program Leaders** (Instructional Aides). We partner with various staffing agencies to provide the required 1:20 adult-to-child ratio. Current number of ASES employees is at about 90.

ASES Youth Specialists work with school site personnel (Principals, Instructional Specialists and Teachers) to ensure program alignment with regular school day. Youth Specialists also connect with Elementary Office Managers, Nurses, Health Assistants, Cafeteria Managers and Custodians.

Each school should provide six rooms or indoor spaces to accommodate the program groups.

Students are grouped by grade level. Typical groupings, based on enrollment numbers, might be **K-1, 1-2, 2-3, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7-8.**

Each school has provided our program with a designated *Alhambra Afterschool Adventures* Homeroom, which houses the Program's dedicated phone line, file cabinets, parent sign-out table for attendance notebooks, refrigerator, cooking cart, sports equipment, supplies, resource materials and library with about 400 books. Students usually rotate through this room and move into other shared classrooms for homework and literacy/math activities.

Alhambra Afterschool Adventures ASES program stresses **four** basic agreements:

Be Safe, Be Respectful, Be Responsible, and Have Fun

We concentrate on these agreements during the first six weeks of our program. These agreements become the foundation of our program for the remainder of the school year.

Program Elements

Our ASES program strives to ensure that Learning in afterschool is ACTIVE; COLLABORATIVE; MEANINGFUL; SUPPORTS MASTERY & EXPANDS HORIZONS for all ASES students.

Our program provides the following required ASES funding components daily:

Food Services Meal (always in the cafeteria or outdoor lunch area)

Homework/Tutoring Assistance

Literacy/Math Enrichment activities based on 21st Century Learning Skills per each grade level

Enrichment in the arts (art, crafts, music, dance, theatre), computers, nutrition, science, cooking, etc

Guided Physical Activity with Program Leader (using S.P.A.R.K. sport and/or tennis equipment)

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