



CALIFORNIA SCHOOLS TO WATCH

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STANDARD MIDDLE SCHOOL

Designated 2021

Standard School District
Kern County
Susan Denton, Principal
126 Ferguson Ave., Bakersfield, CA 93308
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SCHOOL CHARACTERISTICS

Community: Urban. Enrollment: 1004. Grade Levels: 6,7,8.

School schedule: Seven-period day with daily Advisory. 6th Grade follows a block schedule.

STUDENT DEMOGRAPHICS

Free and Reduced Lunch: 100%

REPLICABLE PRACTICES

- **MTSS:** We have added additional staff over the last three years to create an MTSS team of three site Administrators, a Program Specialist/School Psychologist, a School Psychologist and psychologist intern, two School Counselors, two Americorps Mentors, Community Member Mentors, a Behavioral Intervention Specialist, a Campus Supervisor, a Family Advocate, a Social Worker, and Certificated School Nurse.
- **Circle of Friends:** A school inclusion program where students with special needs are paired with general education student leaders for weekly lunches and activities.
- **Safe School Ambassadors:** This program trains diverse and socially influential student leaders to intervene with their friends and classmates when they see teasing, bullying, and other acts of cruelty.
- **Check-in, Check-out Program (CICO):** Our Behavior Intervention Specialist works with many students to build stronger habits and practices while at school. The ultimate goal is to foster self-monitoring skills.
- **Winning Warrior Award – PBIS awards** given to students who model our three PBIS tenets to Be Safe, Use Manners, and Demonstrate Self-Responsibility.