

GOMPERS PREPARATORY ACADEMY

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Professional Development

San Diego Math Network

GPA's partners from UCSD CREATE have spearheaded a regional sharing network of math educators and leaders from across San Diego County. Since last school year, the initiative, funded through The Gates Foundation, has connected equity-oriented educators to support Math CCSS implementation and strengthen the STEM pipeline throughout San Diego. GPA has been fortunate to have a place at the network table and a voice in steering the direction of the network.

GPA has has received grant funds (\$13,000 installments for the 2015-2016 and 2016-2017 school years) to support math professional development. In addition, GPA teachers continue to benefit from the sharing of innovative teaching, learning, and leadership models from around San Diego County. To date, grant funds have supplied the following professional development opportunities, among others:

- 9 teachers representing GPA at the 2016 California Math Council conference in Palm Springs
- A Spring 2016 learning event, hosted by Preuss, supporting teachers in understanding and developing rich math performance tasks
- A Fall 2016 learning event for San Diego area teachers, hosted by GPA, to learn about Math
 pathways to UC/CSU schools and the role of diagnostic assessments in supporting these pathways
- Winter 2016 CCSS Training for two teacher leaders
- Upcoming January 2017 learning event, hosted by GPA and featuring Karajean Hyde, whose work with neighboring districts has garnered positive reviews and apparent achievement gains

Measures of Academic Progress (MAP)

GPA students are set to take the MAP assessment in the first weeks of February. In preparation, GPA teachers have engaged in high level training related to the analysis of assessment data for instructional purposes. For the purpose of capacity building, four GPA teachers were sent to a regional workshop, then planned and led training for the rest of the teaching staff on the first day back from back. The learning was further deepened through an afternoon session, conducted by representatives from NWEA, the organization that created MAP, this time focused on differentiated instruction in response to assessment data.

December to Remember

On December 2, 2016 Gompers Preparatory Academy hosted its first ever "December to Remember" event for all students and their families, the community, and staff. PTSC fundraised, Encore middle school choir and dance put on special performance in the lower courtyard. Teachers and staff decorated all hallways in a specific holiday theme that students and families toured. The evening concluded with the sold out show, Musical Production-Winter Showcase

PTSC Holiday Breakfast

On December 8, 2016 the Gompers Preparatory Academy Parent Teacher Student Connection (PTSC) cooked homemade breakfast entrees for GPA staff. They expressed their sincere appreciation and holiday spirit.

10th Grade Annual Hispanic Heritage College Fair

All (150) 10th grade students attended the National Hispanic Heritage College Fair at Scottish Rite Center. Students had the opportunity to talk to admission counselors from various schools nationwide.

Family Support Services

Holiday Tree Giveaway

On Friday, December 9, 2016 Gompers Preparatory Academy partnered with a local community based program, Sisters Helping Sisters to host a Holiday Tree Giveaway. 100 Christmas trees were gifted to families in the community.

Toys for Tots

In early December 80 families participated in Toys for Tots.

Payless Shoes

Payless shoe vouchers of a \$20 value were gifted to six Gompers Preparatory Academy students.

Class of 2017

College acceptances have begun to roll in. To date, 61 students from the Senior Class of 2017 have been notified of the following college acceptances:

Jose Antonio Alvarez-Castillo	CSU Fullerton
Daniela Lissette Antunez	CSU Fullerton
Nataly Isabel Arias-Abarca	CSU Fullerton
Maria De Jesus Batres Avalos	Grand Canyon University, Humboldt State University
Christopher Evan Braggs	CSU Fullerton, Grand Canyon University
Janet Camacho-Garduno	Humboldt State University
Eduardo Carrillo	Grand Canyon University
Ivan Cervantes Palomino	CSU Fullerton
Denys Contreras	Grand Canyon University, CSU Dominguez Hills
Griselda Cruz Soriano	CSU Fullerton
Ebiezer Alexis Damian Arellano	CSU Fullerton
Aden Tefferi Gebremedhin	Grand Canyon University, CSU Fullerton, SFSU
Hees Abdi Gelle	Grand Canyon University
Christian Jesus Gomez	CSU Fullerton
Lizbeth Gomez	CSU Fullerton, CSU Dominguez Hills
Angela Gonzalez Velediaz	Grand Canyon University
Herman Gonzalez	Cal Poly Pomona
Mirella Angelina Gutierrez	CSU Dominguez Hills
Jordan Samuel Huber	CSU Fullerton
Leeza Cymeon Jackson	CSU Fullerton
Daisy Iridiana Jaime	Grand Canyon University
Nakitha Khamphoukeo	CSU Fullerton, Grand Canyon University

Kenny Khounnoraj	CSU Dominguez Hills
Fabiola Alicia Lepe Torres	CSU Dominguez Hills, CSU Fullerton
Miroslava Lopez	Grand Canyon University
Jose Francisco Lopez Salgado	Grand Canyon University
Yocelyn Star Maldonado Alonso	Grand Canyon University, CSU Fullerton, SFSU
Darlene Guadalupe Marentes	Grand Canyon University
Alma Karina Marquez	Grand Canyon University, CSU Fullerton
Ivan Martinez Chavez	Grand Canyon University, CSU Fullerton
Alejandro Martinez Cobos	Grand Canyon University
Angela Medina Cruz	Grand Canyon University, CSU Fullerton
Jose Alberto Mendoza Ayala	Grand Canyon University, CSU Fullerton
Ezequiel Mora Mendez	Grand Canyon University
Sandy Anahi Ortiz-Ramirez	Grand Canyon University
Dayanne Osorio	Humboldt State University
Dario Enrique Quiroz Jr	CSU Fullerton
Salvador Ramirez Lemus	Grand Canyon University
Andrea Noemi Reyes Muzquiz	Grand Canyon University, CSU Dominguez Hills
Sonia Rodriguez Muratalla	Grand Canyon University, SFSU
Nancy Rodriguez Valladolid	CSU Dominguez Hills, CSU Fullerton
Vanessa Denise Rojas Mujica	CSU Fullerton
Tania Esthela Ruiz Negrete	CSU Fullerton
Edna Analy Ruiz	Grand Canyon University
Selena Sandra Sanchez	CSU Dominguez Hills
Daniel Edward Sison	Cal Poly Pomona
Sandra Denise Solis-Leyva	Grand Canyon University, CSU Dominguez Hills
John Henry Stewart IV	Grand Canyon University, CSU Fullerton, SDSU, SFSU
Zahara Rashida Sweet	Grand Canyon University
Bryan Talavera	CSU Fullerton
Gerardo Andres Torres Trejo	Grand Canyon University
Richard Trejo-Resendiz	Grand Canyon University, CSU Fullerton
Michel Del Socorro Trinidad Ruelas	CSU Fullerton
Marisol Trujillo	Grand Canyon University, CSU Dominguez Hills, CSU Chico
Alejandro Valdez Beltran	Grand Canyon University, CSU Fullerton
Lizeth Valdez Hernandez	Grand Canyon University, CSU Fullerton
Adrian Valdez	Grand Canyon University
Berenice Alessandra Vargas Grijalva	Grand Canyon University
Brian Villa Plascencia	CSU Chico, CSU Dominguez Hills
Raven Moya Washington	Grand Canyon University
Taylor Anthony Winters	Grand Canyon University, SFSU

Homecoming

The week of January 17th – 21st, GPA will welcome back the classes of 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016 for our Homecoming celebration. Throughout the week, the GPA family will show school pride dressing up daily for spirit week. On Thursday, January 19th at noon, we will have our fourth annual coronation ceremony on the GPA field where our 2017 Homecoming King and Queen will be crowned. Following coronation at 3:00pm, our boy's varsity soccer team will take the field in our Homecoming game against High Tech High North County. On Friday, January 20th students in grades 6 - 12 will showcase their talent in the 4th annual Homecoming Lip Sync Show a *Gleetastic New Year*. The culmination of Homecoming week will be on Saturday, January 21th at the *Hollywood Red Carpet Homecoming Dance* for all GPA high school students with a 3.0 or above in academics and a 3.0 or above in citizenship. We are looking forward to a remarkable week for the GPA community.

Facilities Update

Construction documents are 50% complete for the new athletic complex, including gymnasium, locker rooms, dance studio, and strength & conditioning room. Target date for submittal to Department of State Architect (DSA) is April, with DSA review estimated to take 6-12 months.

Air Conditioning will be installed campus wide during this calendar year. Installations will begin in the upper bungalows this spring and the permanent buildings this summer. Target completion is this fall.

GPA student enrollment projections continue to increase and we are near capacity for classrooms on campus. To free up some classrooms that are being used for staff offices and professional development, GPA leaders have been monitoring commercial leasing space openings in our community. We are currently in negotiations with a local property owner and will bring finalized lease agreement to the GPA Board for final approval.