



CPLC Hiaki High School

Parent Notification Letter

September 30, 2016

Dear Parent/Legal Guardian:

Federal school improvement labels have been frozen for all schools in Arizona. Last year, CPLC Community Schools (doing business as, “dba”) Hiaki High School had a federal accountability designation of Priority. Because of the transition to the new federal accountability law, known as Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), the Arizona Department of Education will not determine new labels until after the current school year.

Last year our school focused on the following areas of improvement:

- **Increasing additional academic support for students**
- **Implementation of a comprehensive assessment system**
- **Increasing student engagement**
- **Increasing parental and community involvement**

Hiaki High School and Chicanos Por La Causa plan to continue that work for the 2016-2017 school year.

Federal Accountability

A *Priority School* designation under the federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) is based on student performance data that placed our school among the five percent of lowest performing schools in the state. All Priority schools keep their label for at least three years.

A *Focus School* designation under the federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) is based on student performance data that placed our school among the ten percent of schools making the largest contribution to the state’s achievement gap. All Focus schools keep their label for at least three years. Being named a Priority School allows our school to receive more resources and support to improve student achievement.

CPLC Community Schools *dba* Hiaki High School is a school of choice and because it is a single sited Local Education Agency with no other school in district to transfer. Please note that families who previously used Public School Choice Transportation but are no longer eligible for transportation because their home school is not identified as Priority or Focus may choose to remain at the Choice school, however, no transportation will be provided by the district.

School Improvement Plan

Before you decide to transfer your student, please consider the following efforts that we are making to improve the academic success of our students:

- Hiaki High School will continue to ensure that all students are receiving high quality education. It is our duty to prepare our students for their future. In doing so, Hiaki staff will continue to provide the necessary resources needed in order for our students to succeed. These resources include extended learning time where students are receiving additional academic support, continued use of data driven decision making to ensure we are reaching students at their current academic level and continued use of instructional engagement strategies to enhance student learning within the classrooms.
- Hiaki High School will strive to increase student morale and motivation through the implementation of extracurricular activities for all students. We are happy to announce our increased number of extracurricular programs we have to offer this year which include; flag football, volleyball, basketball, soccer, cinema club, student council, and cultural art and music. We are making every effort to ensure our students are receiving the greatest educational high school experience.

Chicanos Por La Causa Community Schools also provides the following in support of improved student achievement:

- CPLC is committed to providing an environment and program that seeks to develop life-long learners that are prepared to serve their respective communities and individual ambitions. To this, CPLC will provide support on a daily basis that pursues academic achievement and the development of young adults that are prepared to serve their communities. This will include managerial support and school staff support by providing adequate tools and supplies to provide adequate classrooms to foster this endeavor.

We encourage all parents/ guardians to get involved in our efforts to address our academic challenges. Parents/guardians can become involved by participating in the development of the Continuous Improvement Plan. Please contact Mario Molina at 520-883-5051 if you are interested in being part of a committee or would like more information on our school improvement efforts. As a reminder, our Title I annual meeting will be held on contact September 29, 2016 at 520-883-5051.

Respectfully,

Mario Molina, Principal