

School Wide Expectations

- Treat everyone with respect
- Use appropriate language
- Take an active part in their own learning
- Demonstrate positive leadership
- Resolve conflicts in a positive way
- Appreciate cultural diversity
- Ensure communication between home and school

All teachers are continual learners, collaborators, and innovators who implement quality instruction and classroom management to achieve well-defined outcomes. They seek to maintain the highest professional and ethical standards and effective instructional techniques. They recognize and value the importance of each student's uniqueness and strengths. They are visionaries who are sensitive to the cultures, values, and other needs of their students.

Our school is a community learning center, which focuses on the active participation of families and community as a resource that supports student achievement. We foster student and family education and well being. We recognize that strong community and family life is positively linked to educational excellence.

NIGHTINGALE SCHOOL MISSION
To create lifelong learners who hold higher education as an achievable goal.

Nightingale Middle School:

- Has the highest middle school attendance rate in LAUSD
- Are the Regional Champions in the science bowl
- Has an award winning counseling department
- Has the largest MESA (Math, Engineers, Science Achievement) program
- Has the highest performing middle school students in Local District 5

Our unique student programs are aligned with the college A-G course requirements and include:

- Various language arts classes
- Social studies/history
- Science
- Kinesiology
- Math (including Algebra in 7th grade and Geometry in 8th)
- Music (including band, chorus, orchestra and guitar)
- Computer (learn to use MS word and excel)
- Woodshop
- Journalism
- Yearbook
- Creative writing
- Drama
- Leadership

Florence Nightingale Middle School

Public 6th - 8th Grade School



We are recognized as the highest achieving middle school in Local District 5.



A Safe & Civil School

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SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

* **CLASS SIZE REDUCTION:**
25:1 6th & 7th, 23:1 8th

INTERVENTION PROGRAM:
Saturday school & tutoring through
Beyond the Bell program

LIBRARY:
Provides a rich assortment of books &
computer access

COMPUTER LAB:
Lessons using Word, Excel, &
PowerPoint

SCHOOL FOR ADVANCED STUDIES:
Advanced courses for gifted and high
achieving students

AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM:
Operated by LA Conservation Corps

COUNSELING OFFICE:
Helps students cope with challenges &
facilitate learning

CHARACTER EDUCATION:
Help students develop good character
through Second Step Curriculum

* **FULL-TIME ONSITE SCHOOL
PSYCHOLOGIST:**
Help students overcome difficulties and
fulfill their potential

MESA:
Mathematics, Engineering, Science
Achievement Club

* **FULL-TIME PSA COUNSELOR:**
Helps maintain highest attendance of
middle schools

* **INSTANT ONLINE GRADE REPORTS:**
Provides parents with instant class
grades through website

EXPERIENCED TEACHERS:
Average teacher experience - 11
years

* **CAREER FAIR:**
Provides students the opportunity to
speak to actual professionals from
different fields

MUSIC:
Band, orchestra, choir, & guitar

* **ATHLETIC EVENTS:**
School wide track meet, football
carnival, & 5k run

* **TECHNOLOGY IN THE CLASSROOM:**
Use of laptop carts and SMART boards

**SPECIAL EDUCATION INCLUSION
PROGRAM:**
Special education students in general
education setting

* Denotes programs ONLY available at Nightingale compared to neighboring schools.

SCHOOL-COMMUNITY RESOURCES



HEALTHY START PROGRAM:
Provides assistance obtaining
Medi-Cal and other health
programs.



PARENT CENTER:
Provides resources for parents
such as parenting classes and
translation services.



GRYD PROGRAM:
Gang Reduction Youth
Development program works with
students and families providing
classes, counseling, and after
school programs. Program
managed by partnership through
Children's Hospital, USC, and UCI.



**COMMUNITY MENTAL
HEALTH AGENCIES:**
School works with outside
agencies providing students and
families with on-site and home
based counseling.



SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL:
Allows all stakeholders in school
shared decision making.
Representatives from parents,
students, teachers, and staff are
involved in council.