

High School Equivalency Program (HEP)

What We Do

The High School Equivalency Program (HEP) is a federally funded program that helps migrant and seasonal farmworkers who are 17 years of age or older and not currently enrolled in school to obtain the equivalent of a high school diploma (HSE) and gain employment, go to an institution of higher education, the military, other postsecondary education or vocational training.

Demographics of Students for Academic Year 2019-2020 (N=70)

Gender

77% were female

33% were male

Location

33% from Woodland

24% from Lodi

16% from Stockton

14% from Yuba

13% from Courtland

Language

95% Spanish speaking

5% English speaking

Age

Ranging from 18-55 years old.

Outreach Efforts

Recruitment Areas: migrant camps, PIQUE meetings, PAC meetings, Head Starts, Catholic Churches, adult schools, ESL Programs, Migrant Education Region 2, local grocery stores, flea markets, 23 community events, and even door to door where there was a major concentration of migrant and seasonal farm workers



AY 2018-2019

325 applications received
175 fully completed application
150 students completed pre-testing
74 students accepted and served

AY 2019-2020

295 applications received
157 fully completed application
134 students completed pre-testing
70 students accepted and served

Program Goals

1. **Recruit and enroll 100% of the 70 eligible adults and out-of-school youth**
 - a. AY 2017-2018: 70 students
 - b. AY 2018-2019: 74 students
 - c. AY 2019-2020: 70 students
2. **75% of the eligible participants will receive a high school equivalency diploma (HSED) within the academic year**
 - a. AY 2017-2018: 76% of students (53 out of 70)
 - b. AY 2018-2019: 100% of students (74 out of 74)
 - c. AY 2019-2020: 81% of students (57 out of 70)
3. **80% of HEP participants will enter postsecondary education or training programs, upgraded employment, or the military**
 - a. AY 2017-2018: 92% of students (49 out of 53)
 - b. AY 2018-2019: 95% of students (70 out of 74)
 - c. AY 2019-2020: 86% of students (49 out of 57)

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