



SERRF NEWSLETTER

SERRF Expanded Learning Program, Fall 2022-2023

WELCOME BACK TO 2022-2023 "ENERGIZED SERRF!"

SERRF is feeling ENERGIZED as we keep going and going and GROWING!

SERRF provides TK/Kindergarten through eighth grade students instruction in academics, enrichment and recreation in coordination with schools to support the California Common Core State Learning Standards. SERRF serves all twenty-three Tehama County elementary and middle schools, including small, isolated frontier school sites. Many of our SERRF Programs are currently at "waitlist" status. At these specific school sites it is imperative that we enforce our attendance requirements. *Please find below information for your reference.

We are pleased that our parents/guardians are now allowed on school campuses to sign-out your child(ren). This is especially important in establishing communication and building relationships between our SERRF staff and families! Individual SERRF sites have established protocols for signing out and picking up your child(ren). Your SERRF Program will advise you on their specific procedure.

We are genuinely grateful for this partnership and look forward to working alongside our schools and families to provide quality expanded learning services. We encourage you to check out SERRF current events and other news and information, on our website: www.tehamaschools.org/serrf.

Please do not hesitate to call the SERRF Office if you have further questions (530) 528-7381.

Sincerely,
Karla Stroman,
SERRF Program Director

LIGHTS ON AFTERSCHOOL

OCTOBER 20TH, 2022

Please Look for Information at Your SERRF Site.

This nationwide event calls attention to the importance of after school programs and the resources required to keep the lights on and the doors open.

SERRF IS HIRING! APPLY TODAY



Scan the QR code or Visit www.edjoin.org to see all available SERRF positions!

UPCOMING EVENTS

SERRF All-Staff In-Service Day

Friday, January 13th - NO SERRF at School Sites!

Great Kindness Challenge

January 23rd – January 27th 2023

HOW DO I PAY MY SERRF FEES?

We rely heavily on our low-cost parent fees, September – May, to sustain quality after school programming. We ask that you PLEASE keep current on your regular fees due! For your convenience, fees can be paid on-line at: www.bit.ly/3IL7UOZ

PARENT HANDBOOK



Check out our Parent Handbook for more details about our SERRF program www.bit.ly/3CkaVxT

IMPORTANT MANDATORY ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS

The SERRF Program is a grant-funded program that is open to **ALL** students and provides daily homework/academic assistance, enrichment activities and recreation for students. In order to uphold **grant standards**, the following attendance requirements for students will be enforced:

- **Kindergarten through fifth grade: Must participate in the full-day of the program every day for a minimum 16 hours per week**
- **Sixth through eighth grade: Must participate a minimum of nine hours per week and three days a week**

Absence is allowed only when reasonably utilizing the early release policy, i.e. medical appointments, dental appointments. Practice for school team sports or other school-sponsored activities can be counted toward the hour requirement, however, students must participate in both the academic and enrichment components to be enrolled. In schools with an established waiting list, children that do not attend the minimum number of hours will be excused from the program to allow space for others.



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OUR CONTINUOUS QUALITY IMPROVEMENT CYCLE & GOALS (CQI)

SERRF is in year 2 of our focus on Youth Voice & Leadership, and Clear Vision, Mission & Purpose.

Youth Voice and Leadership

Staff work to recognize the leadership potential in all young people and provide opportunities for students to develop their leadership skills by providing authentic leadership roles.

Clear Vision, Mission and Purpose

Our program regularly communicates, reviews, and makes appropriate changes to goals and outcomes in collaboration with all stakeholders.

SOCIAL & EMOTIONAL LEARNING

Social & Emotional Learning (SEL) is embedded into all the lessons we lead at SERRF. We focus on teaching the following SEL skills: Self Awareness, Self-Management, Relationship Skills, Social Awareness and Responsible Decision Making. We do this through targeted lessons and by practicing as situations arise throughout the day. SERRF also participates in The Great Kindness Challenge (GKC), a week-long, nationwide event in January, centered around kindness. The goal of GKC is to create a school culture of kindness, compassion, unity, and respect.

ENRICHMENT

SERRF continues to add to our already extensive collection of Enrichment Clubs. In our Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math (STEAM) collection we added lessons that focus on Environmental Literacy with the goal of developing a sense of stewardship and connection to the land and local habitats. In our English Language Arts collection, we now include lessons that support and enhance the reading of our 2022 Summer Book-In-Common, "The Wind In the Willows". All of our clubs meet the California State Standards and the Afterschool LIAS Learning Principles to ensure students receive a high-quality learning experience.

RECREATION

SERRF's goal is to engage children in safe recreation activities that build strong relationships as well as strong bodies. We promote students' wellness with a comprehensive physical education program that uses moderate to vigorous physical activity (MVPA) and teaches nutrition and healthy habits. We value sportsmanship, cooperation and activities that all students can enjoy. The skills, games, sports and exercises the students experience during SERRF's Recreation Program are challenging and fun!

ACADEMIC POWER HOUR

A very important component of SERRF is our homework support time also known as Power Hour. Monday – Thursday students are given the opportunity to work on their homework, missed assignments or build their math and/or Language Arts skills playing games or writing in their journals. Depending on the school site, qualified Liaisons or credentialed teachers are available to help students with any academic assistance that they may need. We also offer 20 minutes of uninterrupted reading, with the Read-To-Self portion of Power Hour.

EXPANDED LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES PROGRAMS (ELO-P)

SERRF continues to partner with school districts to increase student enrollment through new State funding designed to extend the school day and school year to address student needs. We utilize credentialed teachers and paraprofessionals from the core school day to assist with academics/homework and daily programming activities. We are continuing to work on providing more after school opportunities/spaces for students and 30 additional expanded learning days during intersession periods (Summer). We are excited to serve more students, add to our SERRF team, and offer even more academics, enrichment, and recreation!

