

Dear Prospective Maverick Family,



My name is Dave Napoleon, Principal at IDEA Center, and I am honored to introduce you to **IDEA Center High School, *Home of the Mavericks***. We are a fully WASC accredited, small alternative school of choice, open to students in grades 9-12. At IDEA we focus on college and career readiness through a college preparatory curriculum linked to Career and Technical Education (CTE) pathways. Characterized by small class sizes and an integrated curriculum infused with technology, each IDEA Center student receives a Chromebook for use at school and home. Students will choose an individualized learning plan that leads to career exploration, internship opportunities and demonstrations of their learning prior to graduation.

IDEA Center operates on a 4 X 4 quarter system; two 9-week quarters are the equivalent to two semesters, which are then divided into two terms. Students will typically take two core general education classes, a Career Technical Education (CTE) class, and an elective each term. Students can potentially acquire credits rapidly, allowing time for possible internships and college classes their junior and senior years.

Curriculum is designed to incorporate all coursework necessary to meet the UC/CSU A-G requirements. Career Pathways include: Arts, Media, & Entertainment, Floral Design, Culinary Arts, Construction, and Cosmetology.

Part of IDEA Center's success is attributed to a supportive climate and culture on campus. Staff members serve as mentors to each student working to support their academic needs and personal growth. Teachers support and advise students in preparation for ongoing demonstrations of learning, internships, and projects. Our school community works together to cultivate a positive climate where every student feels valued. Our teachers and staff are committed to building positive relationships with our students and our families.

I invite you to come to our school and experience the great things that are happening at IDEA Center. We host several Open Houses throughout the year where you can meet the staff and tour the facilities. Please check the website news page and calendar often for future dates and times. We look forward to meeting you.

Sincerely,

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