

# PUSD EDUCATION NEWS

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## Transition Students Train and Get Hired!

As the school year came to an end, students from the Paramount Adult Transition program (PAT) were still hard at work. Under the WorkAbility program, PAT students are given the opportunity to receive vocational training and job placement assistance. The 36 attending students are placed within one of fifteen worksites. Whether trainees are stocking shelves in a retail setting or performing janitorial duties, they are each receiving marketable skills that will look great on a resume.

One of the most exciting parts of the program is the annual WorkAbility Tour. Every year, Adult Transition teachers and staff host a guided tour of



local businesses where parents, school officials, and civic leaders are able to see first-hand how much the trainees are achieving at work. This year at the 6th An-

nual WorkAbility Tour, guests were able to pay a visit to up to four of the worksites; some of which include Marshalls, Chuck E. Cheese, Smart & Final, Wal-

greens, CVS Pharmacy, Casa Gamino, TJ Maxx, and Victor's Nursery. We appreciate each businesses' contribution towards the student worker's success, es-

pecially when that means taking them on as a part of the team.

Sergio Lopez, senior at the Adult Transition program, received the good news in late May. Two years of training dedicated to Smart & Final earned him recognition and a position offered to him by Smart & Final's store manager, Joshua Amezcua. Beginning in mid-June, Sergio will be able to practice all of the skills he earned as a trainee and apply them to his new job. With all the training and guidance, Sergio is ready to start his new life as a member of the workforce.

**Melissa Ramirez**  
PAT Job Coach

## Mokler Parents Make a Difference



On May 29th, over thirty parents attended a thank you volunteer recognition and enjoyed a delicious breakfast with a performance by the Folklorico Dance team in appreciation for their hard work and devotion to supporting all Mokler students. Volunteers were thanked by Mrs. Roberts and Mrs. Katayama with certificates and a small gift of appreciation.

A volunteer is defined as, "a person who performs or offers to perform a service without pay." At Moklerschool, parents not only support the teachers both in and out of the classrooms but with all PTA sponsored events. This year, the PTA raised money to provide all fifth grade students with a yearbook to highlight the end of their elementary days. Unique to Mokler, the parents also

organize and teach a voluntary Folklorico Dance group to students in grades K-5. Parents and students meet twice a week throughout the year to practice and raise funds for the costumes and donate profits to support the school with supplies. The dancers perform in a number of events at Mokler and throughout the city of Paramount in elegant traditional attire and music.

On behalf of the teachers and staff, I thank our fabulous, supportive and dedicated parents who work diligently to make school a memorable experience for the Mokler Pilots. If you are interested in volunteering at Mokler, I invite you to call or visit the school office for more information.

**Linh Roberts, Principal**

## Emmanuel Andrade becomes 18th Gates Millennium Scholar from PHS!

Paramount High School is proud to announce that Emmanuel Andrade has won the prestigious Gates Millennium Scholarship this year. Emmanuel is the 18th student to have the honor of becoming a Gates Scholar from Paramount High School. He is planning on attending the University of California, Davis in the fall.

Emmanuel is one of 1,000 students selected nationally each year for this highly competitive scholarship that requires strong academics along with school and community involvement. The application takes three people to complete; the student, a nominator (counselor), and a recommender (teacher). The Gates Scholarship reduces financial barriers for African American, American Indian/Alaska Native, Asian Pacific Islander American and Hispanic American students with high academic and leadership promise who have significant financial need.

The Gates Scholarship also helps increase the representation of these target groups in the disciplines of computer science, education, engineering, library science, mathematics, public health and the sciences, where these groups are severely underrepresented. The Gates Millennium Scholarship renews each year as long as students maintain satisfactory academic progress. Graduate school funding continues for Gates Millennium



Scholars in the areas of computer science, education, engineering, library science, mathematics, public health or science.

The Gates Millennium Scholars Program was established in 1999 and was initially funded by a 1.6 billion dollar grant from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. To date, this program has funded more than 20,000 Gates Millennium Scholars since its inception. Gates Scholars have enrolled in more than 1,500 colleges and universities. The program has obtained a five year graduation rate of 87%. This scholarship opportunity is truly a life-changing event for Emmanuel.

**Erik Lindshield, Counselor**

## Summer Food Service Program

Children who eat nutritious meals and participate in safe activities during the summer are more creative and productive at school and at home. According to a recently released report from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, the number of families struggling to put food on the table has skyrocketed.

Paramount U.S.D. and the City of Paramount Parks and Recreation Department are col-

laborating in a joint effort to provide two nutritious meals a day and two hours of recreational opportunities at no cost to the students or their families to combat hunger and the increase in childhood obesity.

District and City staff will open all elementary and middle school campuses (except Jackson) through Friday, August 8th. The day will start with breakfast and board games from 9:00-10:00,

Parks and Recreation staff will then take students to play areas where they will have a host of activities to choose from including, sports, arts and crafts and physical fitness from 10:00 to 12:00. Star Program staff and children will then return to the dining area for a sizzling BBQ from 12:00 to 1:00 and will then be released after a nutritious day full of healthy activities that enrich their summer day.

**SCHOOL BOARD MEETING DATE**

**July 9, 2014**

Board of Education meetings are held at 6:00 p.m. in the Boardroom at the District Office, 15110 California Avenue, Paramount, and are open to the public

## Polly Pirate

Mareeya Tongkul is very passionate about all that she does and is not afraid to try new things. She has overcome so much and has never let her struggles interfere with her responsibilities. Apart from her academic achievements, Mareeya has been an active member of our school's student body. She is by far one of the greatest student leaders. Her dedication to the student of Paramount High School is selfless as she puts in all her free time to Paramount High School and our city. From city carnivals and church clean-ups to school blood drives and pep rallies, she always puts others first. Mareeya's ability to do it all with a kind and gentle guiding hand is a testament to her loving spirit and flawless character. She has channeled all her energy into making her life better and bettering those around her; she is truly one of a kind.



## Pete Pirate

Leonardo Silva is one of the most outstanding students as he is currently ranked number four in his class.

He is a self-motivated student who has become a critical and independent thinker. As the student body vice-president of the largest high school in our state, Leo has been involved in many extracurricular activities such as Solar Cup, Class of 2014, Youth in Government, and the Green Club. He has stood out as a natural leader among his peers. In addition to that, he is a two year member of the tennis team and plays Club Soccer for the city of Compton.

He takes great pride in his community and works very hard to ensure that he is doing everything he can to make the city of Paramount a better place, he is truly an inspiration to anyone that has the privilege of getting to know him.



## Class of 2014 Valedictorian



A valedictorian is a student who have excelled academically and ranked number one of their graduating class. The valedictorian have to have the highest GPA or grade point average of their class. The term is an Anglicized derivative of the Latin vale dicere 'to say farewell', historically rooted in the valedictorian's traditional role as the final speaker at the graduation ceremony. A salutatorian is the student who ranks second highest in a graduating class. The title comes from the salutatorian's traditional role as the first speaker at a graduation ceremony, delivering the salutation; a gesture or utterance made as a greeting or acknowledgment of another's arrival or departure.

"My four years spent at Paramount

High School have been an amazing experience. There were many opportunities that were offered that I took advantage of such as clubs, sports and advancement placement classes. It was a challenge keeping my grades up while being on the football team as well as being a member of student government, but after many sleepless nights I was successful. After going through the stressful college application process, I was admitted and enrolled at the University of California Berkeley and will continue my education there this summer. It has been a struggle, but after looking back on what I have accomplished, I know that everything was worth it."

– Kenneth Teeples

## Class of 2014 Salutatorian

Someone once told me that there are three things you can have in life: work, a social life, and sleep. However, you can only have two out of the three, so I gave up sleep.

It all started with an essay about how the animated character Pikachu is a leader. I was sitting in class trying to overcome my writer's block, so I began thinking about what the qualities of a good leader are, what defines a good leader, or even a good person for that matter. My thoughts trailed off and I found myself questioning the purpose of the essay, why I was over there, or why anyone was there. My thoughts strayed so far that I began contemplating the meaning of life, and when the confusion-induced headache hit I snapped out of it, looked around, and realized that there were ten minutes left and most people were writing their final thoughts. In a panic, I began writing, and although I no longer remember what I wrote exactly, what I gained from the experience was an invitation to join Student Government from the unfortunate teacher who read it.

Student Government was like a secret society of perfect students who ran the school by day and wore hooded cloaks and plotted to conquer the world by night. To think that I, a girl whose nose was always buried in a book and could only be excavated from it to face the blinding rays of sunlight to play tennis, could be considered a member of Student Government, someone people looked up to, was just unimaginable. I was so shocked when she told that I laughed in her face. And it wasn't one of those laughs when you know you deserve it and pretend to be humble, but it was one of those laughs of disbelief that you do when you are absolutely hysterical and holding your sides so one of your internal organs don't explode because you are laughing so hard.



Hunched over holding my sides with tears streaming down my face, I burst out laughing as my teacher and everyone around me were taken aback by my reaction. As my laughter subsided, I saw through teary eyes a blurry image of my teacher's face, and I knew right then there that my life was about to change.

I was and am a cliché, I was on the tennis team, joined clubs, volunteered, and am a member of Student Government Studying and being involved combined with no weekends and sleep deprivation may seem like a form of deep-seated self-loathing, and I suppose it is, but I did not work as hard as I did expecting any form of recognition.

While I appreciate the title of Salutatorian, at no point in my high school career, or life for that matter, did I compare myself to someone else or pursue any particular ranking. Ms. Bignami and the members of Student Government became my family and inspired me to be a better person, a person that works hard to achieve their goals

– Darlene Spicer

**Graduation Dates**  
**Buena Vista High School**  
**July 24, 2014 - 2:00p.m.**

**Paramount High School**  
**July 24, 2014 - 2:00 p.m.**

**Paramount Adult School**  
**July 24, 2014 - 6:00 p.m.**

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*Great things are happening in Paramount Schools*

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# Paramount West Celebrates Student Excellence

On Thursday, May 29, 2014, over 350 students, parents, and staff members gathered at the Paramount High School West Campus gym to partake in the sixteenth annual Night of Recognition. The purpose of this event is to recognize some of the highest achieving and hardest working students. The students in attendance were nominated for various awards by their teachers. Nominations are accompanied by a submission of student work that demonstrates the academic achievement level of each student. West Campus departments examine and evaluate the student submissions to make their selections. After much reflection and discussion, the recipient of each award is agreed upon. Each student receives a medallion and certificate which lists their accomplishment.

### Athletes of the Year

Na'Tori Nelson  
Leon Polk III

### Career Technical Education Awards

Engineering:  
Zoe Dorothy Pamonag, Excellence  
Jesus Salazar, Outstanding  
Christopher Hernandez, Pirate

Media:  
Melissa Vasquez, Excellence  
Melissa Torres, Outstanding  
Giovanni Barreto, Pirate

Medical:  
Gonzalo Garcia, Excellence  
Erandi Munoz, Outstanding  
Lucia Badilla, Pirate

Counselor Awards  
Leah Barnes  
Cheryl Halk  
Mariah Terrell

### English Awards

Language Arts 1:  
Robert Jimenez, Excellence  
Alejandro Cordova, Outstanding  
Itxel Candelario, Academic  
Kimberly Montes, Pirate  
Ashly Saucedo, Pirate

Language Arts 1 Honors:  
Judith Murillo, Excellence  
Andreina Espinoza, Outstanding  
Joshua Chiu, Academic  
Ezequiel Novoa, Pirate  
Veronica Paco, Pirate

JROTC Awards  
Gabriel Garcia  
Zoe Dorothy Pamonag

### Mathematics Awards

Algebra 1:  
Carlos Plascencia, Excellence  
Leslie Ayon, Outstanding  
Jaret Collantes, Academic  
Mercedes Aldana, Pirate  
Giselle Duran, Pirate  
Eduardo Yopez, Pirate

Plane Geometry:  
Nicole Garcia, Excellence  
Brian Olmos, Outstanding  
Jesus Salazar, Academic  
Gerardo Garcia, Pirate  
Judith Murillo, Pirate

Maroon and White Awards  
Anthony Bollin  
DeAndre Leftridge  
Briana Tafolla  
Tashaion Williams

### Modern Languages Awards

Spanish 1:  
Gabriel Garcia  
Kyra McCullough

Spanish for Spanish Speakers 1:  
Stephanie Castaneda  
Alejandra Hernandez

Perfect Attendance Awards  
Marlene Aguilar  
Eric Aldana  
Lesly A. Alejandre  
Arlene Aleman

Jully Alvarado  
Alex A. Alvarez  
Juan D. Calderon  
Genesis Carranza  
Angelica Ceballos  
Cristobal Cortez  
Ana K. Diaz  
Janhete V. Diaz  
Joanna Duenas  
Christopher Duran  
Brandon G. Garcia  
Gabriel Garcia  
Gerardo Garcia  
Hector A. Garcia  
Jaime I. Garcia  
Nicole Garcia  
Eduardo Hernandez  
Jazmine N. Hernandez  
Ivan A. Jauregui  
Jasmine N. Lara  
Carlos E. Lazzo  
Agustin Lopez  
Hector Luquin  
Anahi Moreno  
Jose D. Oropeza  
Rosallynn Reyes  
Jorge A. Sandoval  
Nolan A. Santellanes  
Israel Torres  
Melissa G. Torres  
Melissa Vasquez  
Catherine Zaragoza

### Physical Education Awards

Female:  
Veronica Bermejo, Excellence  
Berenice Martinez, Pirate  
Christina Huerta, Sportsmanship

Male:  
Nahum Flores, Excellence  
Everado Ibarra, Pirate  
Justin Favela, Sportsmanship

Principal's Award  
Nicole Garcia

Principal's Honor Roll  
Arlene Aleman  
Jully Alvarado  
Edwin Bermudez  
Stephanie Castaneda  
Tania Chavez  
Joshua Chiu  
Jennifer Dominguez  
Christopher Duran  
Ycart Galermo  
Gabriel Garcia  
Gerardo Garcia  
Nicole Garcia  
Michael Guerra  
Eduardo Hernandez  
Lurdes Hidalgo  
Carolina Hurtado  
Xochilt Lozano  
Anahi Moreno  
Paola Munoz  
Judith Murillo  
Sydney Sierra Naioti  
Ezequiel Novoa  
Brian Olmos  
Emily Ortiz  
Zoe Dorothy Pamonag  
Kaitlin Perez  
Maria Ramirez  
Reynoso, Jessie  
Joanne Robielos  
Jisselle Rosales  
Sammy Roumeliotis  
Gissel Ruiz  
Michael Ruiz  
Jesus Salazar  
Eva Vasquez  
Catherine Zaragoza

### Science Awards

Biology  
Gabriel Garcia, Excellence  
Jesus Salazar, Outstanding  
Joanne Robielos, Academic  
Arlene Aleman, Pirate  
Joshua Chiu, Pirate

Earth Science Awards:  
Efrain Rea, Excellence  
Johanna Garcia, Outstanding  
Jose Nunez, Academic  
Claudia Cabanillas, Pirate  
Nahum Flores, Pirate

# Superintendent's Message:

We had a great culmination to the 2013-14 school year by way of a phenomenal set of graduations that saw a total of 1,132 students who participated from Paramount High School, Buena Vista High School and the Adult Transition Program. As I shared in my commencement remarks, our students have demonstrated their ability to achieve and their diploma is a hard earned symbol of this achievement. Their achievement is our achievement, as parents and educators, and we revel in the joy that they bring us.

Paramount High School is proud to announce that Emmanuel Andrade has won the prestigious Gates Millennium Scholarship (GMS) this year. Emmanuel is the 18th student to have the honor of becoming a Gates Scholar from Paramount High School. He is planning on attending UC Davis in the fall.

I am also very especially impressed by the level of community support that our students received in the form of scholarships. As an example of this support, PEP's 11th Annual Scholarship Fundraiser was a huge success in raising over \$100,000 to help Paramount students.

Congratulations the Paramount Unified School District Class of 2014!

## New Administrative Assignments

As we prepare for the new school year, I wanted to share with our community the new Administrative assignments changes beginning in the 2014-15 school year. These new assignments are for principals at various school sites throughout the District.

Administrative changes are as follows:

### SCHOOL

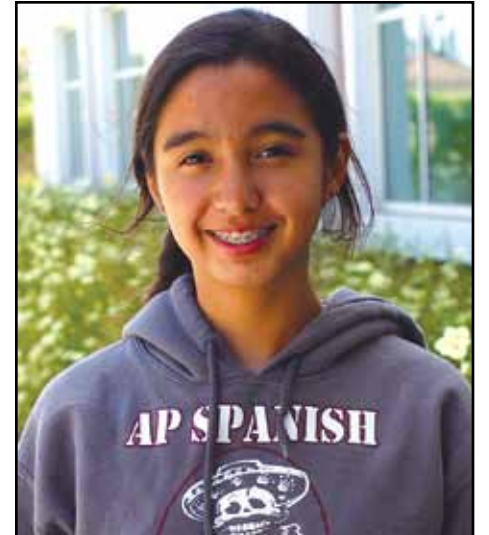
Hollydale  
Jackson  
Keppel  
Lincoln  
Tanner  
Paramount Park Middle School

### ASSIGNMENT

Lisa Nunely-Macon, Principal  
Gregoire Francois, Principal  
Patricia Brent-Sanco, Principal  
Topekia Jones, Principal  
Linda Go, Principal  
Kevin Longworth, Principal

I can assure you that the new principals will continue to focus on improving student achievement and will continue to work collaboratively with staff, teachers and parents.

# Two Paramount High School Students chosen for Earthwatch Research Expeditions this summer!



Two Paramount High School students will be attending exciting scientific research expeditions this summer through the Earthwatch Program. Several PHS students applied this year, with the target being sophomore and juniors who are in advanced math and science courses. Sophomore, Guadalupe Quirarte and Junior, Erika Zamora, will be the two students heading out for the summertime learning experiences. The Earthwatch Expeditions cost between \$2500 - \$4500 each; our students will attend these research expeditions through scholarship donations through Earthwatch. Guadalupe will be traveling to Maine to study Marine Life, while Erika will be traveling to the Gulf of Texas to study the impact of the recent oil spill on the fragile gulf habitat. The Program combines world class scientific field research with experiential learning programs that inspire leadership to promote personal and organizational environmental change.

This is the third year Paramount High School students have participated in the Earthwatch Program. In order to be considered for this Program, students have to complete an online application with at least two letters of recommendations from teachers. It stands to be an exciting summer of travel and learning for these two students as they engage in scientific research and education to promote the understanding and action needed for our sustainable environments.

**Erik Lindshield, Counselor**

Student Government Award  
Ayline Alcaraz

### Visual and Performing Arts Awards

Art 1:  
Salazar, Beatriz, Excellence  
Joshua Chiu, Outstanding  
Nahum Flores, Pirate

Dance:  
Alexia Lewis  
Malajia Wilson

Music:  
Nicole Garcia, Advanced Band

Ana Calyeca, Beginning Strings  
Cristal Diaz, Advanced Strings  
Ana Calyeca, Beginning Band  
Alejandra Rodriguez, Concert Choir

Theater Arts 1:  
Gerardo Garcia  
Anahi Moreno

World History Awards  
Gabriel Garcia, Excellence  
Jesus Salazar, Outstanding  
Joanne Robielos, Academic  
Nicole Garcia, Pirate  
Zoe Dorothy Pamonag, Pirate

# PHS Senior Scholarship Winners 2013-2014

Gates Millennium Scholar - \$300,000  
Emmanuel Andrade

Biola University — \$20,000 Academic Scholarship  
Arianna Valdez

Otis College of Art and Design - \$33,236 Scholarship  
Tijera Easley

Wheaton College — Deans Award - \$9000 Scholarship  
Rubeen Guardado

UCLA Achievement Scholarship - \$40,000 Scholarship  
Kenneth Teeples

UC Riverside — UC Regents Scholarship - \$40,000  
Scholarship  
Kenneth Teeples

UC Irvine — Regents Scholarship — \$24,753 Scholarship  
Lindsey Torres

Lakewood Pan American Association - \$750 Scholarship  
Anna Floresca

Buddhist Tzu Chi Foundation - \$1000 Scholarship  
Kenneth Teeples

Howard F. Ruby Scholarship - \$12,000 Scholarship  
Nicole Torres  
Diana Torres

University of Miami  
Full Ride Football Scholarship - \$55,000 Scholarship  
Joe Brown

Dordt College  
\$18,000 Softball Scholarship  
Stephanie Pirri-Pulido

Sterling College  
\$12,000 Football Scholarship  
Olegario Gallardo

UC Irvine Chancellor's Excellence Scholarship - \$6500  
Scholarship

Mareeya Tongkul  
Nicole Torres

Dr. Sumie Imada Scholarship - \$1000  
Leah Barker  
Ulises Reyes  
Patricia Sais  
Kenneth Teeples  
Maria Rivera

Dr. Don Warner Scholarship - Scholar/Athlete Awards  
\$1000 Scholarship

Kenneth Teeples  
Darlene Spicer

\$500 Scholarship  
Leonardo Silva  
Yesenia Sosa Gonzalez  
Chanel Calderon  
Pamela Garcia  
Judith Barragan  
Lizette Martinez  
Gabriel Rivera Leon  
Shams Haque

Class of 1963 Bob Brandon Memorial Leadership Scholarship

\$1000 Scholarship  
Rubeen Guardado  
\$500 Scholarship  
Leo Silva  
Mareeya Tongkul  
Maria Rivera  
Darlene Spicer  
\$100 Scholarship  
Henry Estrada

Management Association of Paramount Schools (MAPS)  
- \$500

Rubeen Guardado  
David Perez  
Maria Rivera

Randy Cantrell Memorial Scholarship  
\$500 Scholarship

Nicole Torres  
Nick Hernandez  
Sigifredo Gastelum  
Tanya Orla  
Darlene Spicer  
Monica Cruz

\$200 Scholarship  
Andrea Orozco

Parent Teacher Student Association (PTSA)  
\$150 Scholarship

Miguel Velasco  
Amaris Miranda Garcia Maldonado

\$300 Scholarship  
Henry Estrada  
Diana C. Martinez  
Anna Joy Floresca  
Pamela Garcia  
Maria Rivera  
Lucero Herrera  
Patricia Sais  
Rubeen Guardado  
Jeanette Fuentes  
Alberto Lopez

\$400 Scholarship  
Kenneth Teeples

Ken and Peggy Teeples Memorial Scholarship - \$500  
Alexis Cobian

Paramount Women's Club Scholarship:  
\$400 Academic Scholarship  
Diana Martinez  
Lorena Romero

\$400 Vocational Scholarship  
Henry Estrada  
\$200 Music/Art Scholarship  
Rogelio Resendiz

Rotary Club of Paramount  
\$500 Scholarships

Diana Torres  
Alberto Lopez  
Pamela Garcia  
Amaris Miranda Garcia Maldonado  
Kenneth Teeples  
Rubeen Guardado  
Leonardo Silva  
Seraina Aguilar  
Henry Estrada  
Darlene Spicer  
Mareeya Tongkul  
Maria Rivera

Elk's Student of the Month - \$50  
October 2013

Claudia Sedano  
Vicky Castro

November 2013

Jeanette Fuentes

December 2013

Nancy Vallecillo

January 2014

Tomy Lim

February 2014

D'Ana Courtney Perez  
Kadejah Majied  
Tanya Orla

April 2014

Rubeen Guardado  
Luis Flores  
Irma Gonzalez

May 2014

Jesus Ochoa  
Amaris Miranda Garcia Madonado  
Tijera Easley

Teacher's Association of Paramount (TAP)  
TAP - Lee Besler Memorial - Athletic Scholarship \$550  
Scholarship

Stephanie Pirri-Pulido  
TAP General Scholarship - \$500 Scholarship  
Lorena Ibarra  
David Perez  
Maria Rivera  
Patricia Sais

Counseling Department Worthy Student Award - \$500  
Leo Silva

Cal-SOAP - \$2000

Jeanette Fuentes  
Daniela Sanchez  
Karla Corena  
Alejandra Hernandez  
Quetzalli Vasquez

Paramount Topic/Sister Cities Association Scholarship - \$300  
Rogelio Resendiz  
Tracy Shumpert

Elks National Foundation - Most Valuable Student - \$800  
Leonardo Silva  
Kenneth Teeples  
Yesenia Gonzalez

Every Student Succeeding Recognition Award - \$250  
Scholarship

Robert Edison

Prudential Spirit of Community — President's Volunteer  
Service Award

Henry Estrada

Daughters of the American Revolution

Good Citizenship Award — Nancy Vallecillo  
American History Award — Maria Rivera

EARTHWATCH 2014 — Summer Scientific Expeditions  
(\$3500-\$4500 Scholarships)

Erika Zamora — Gulf Coast of Texas  
Guadalupe Quiarte — Marine Life in Maine

PEP Scholarship — \$3000 Attending 4-Year University  
Paramount High School Students

Seraina F. Aguilar  
Judith Barragan  
Rubeen Guardado  
Carlos Lameli  
Leslie G. Lopez  
Roxanne M. Lopez  
Amaris Miranda Garcia Maldonado  
Ulises Reyes  
Maria Rivera  
Lorena Romero  
Patricia Sais  
Daisy Sanchez  
Darlene Spicer  
Kenneth Teeples  
Diana Torres  
Nicole Torres

California Mathematics Council for Exemplary Mathematics  
Achievement

Nicole Torres

Marine Corp Recognition Awards:  
Scholastic Excellence Award  
Rubeen Guardado  
Mareeya Tongkul  
Semper Fidelis Award for Musical Excellence  
Maria Escareno  
Jorge Ramirez  
Distinguished Athlete Award  
Edgar Uriarte  
Judith Barragan

Scholar Athlete Cord Award:  
Kenneth Teeples  
Darlene Spicer  
Leonardo Silva  
Yessica Sosa Gonzalez  
Chanel Calderon  
Pamela Garcia  
Judith Barragan  
Lizette Martinez  
Gabriel Rivera Leon  
Shams Haque  
Ulises Reyes  
Jose Enriquez  
Nester Plascencia  
Rubeen Guardado

2013-2014 PHS Athletes of the Year  
Freshman Male Athlete of the year  
Leon Polk  
Freshman Female Athlete of the Year  
Na'Tori Nelson

Sophomore Male Athlete of the Year  
Nicholas Hutson  
Sophomore Female Athlete of the Year  
Daisy Lopez

Junior Male Athlete of the Year  
Noe Sandoval  
Junior Female Athlete of the Year  
Angelina Floriman

Senior Male Athlete of the Year  
Micheal Gilliam  
Senior Female Athlete of the Year  
Passionae Martin & Tiarah McDaniel

Pirate Male Athlete of the Year  
Jeneum Toolepai  
Pirate Female Athlete of the Year  
Marjoree Fargas

Graduating with High Honors GPA 3.75 and higher — Class  
of 2014

Medallion Worn at Graduation Ceremony  
Kenneth Teeples — Valedictorian  
Darlene Spicer — Salutatorian  
Leonardo Silva  
Mareeya Tongkul  
Maria Valles  
Yesenia Gonzalez  
Samantha Bejarano  
Nicole Torres  
Maria Rivera  
Emmanuel Andrade  
Anna Joy Floresca  
Patricia Sais  
Sigifredo Gastelum  
Seraina Aguilar  
Ian Leon  
Andrea Orozco  
Daniela Sanchez  
Karina Macias  
Monica Cruz  
David Perez  
Chanel Calderon  
Pamela Garcia  
Edgar Uriarte  
Eric Gonzalez  
Judith Barragan  
Carlos Lameli  
Lizette Martinez  
John Torres  
Maria Tostado  
Gabriel Rivera Leon  
Alexis Cobian  
Moises Perez  
Arcelia Salazar  
Kadejah Majied  
Tanya Orla  
Vicky Castro  
Shams Haque  
Lizbeth Bugarin  
Crisol Jovel  
Diana Torres  
Jeanette Fuentes  
Veronica Tapia  
Eleodoro Velasquez  
Karla Corena  
Jacqueline DeLuna  
Ulises Reyes  
Corazon Corona  
Johnny Avila  
Daisy Sanchez  
Johanna Basurto  
Jose Enriquez  
Vorlak Chim  
Luis Flores  
Alberto Lopez  
Brianna Lopez  
Korena McLaurin  
Naceli Morales  
Conny Ramirez  
Clint Dan Valencia  
Izamal Juarez Rojo  
Leslie Lopez  
Lucero Gonzalez  
Diana Martinez  
Rubeen Guardado  
Cinthia Carbajal  
Alex Perez  
Javier Ramirez

Graduating with Honors GPA 3.50 —3.74 — Class of 2014  
Gold Cord Worn at Graduation Ceremony

Amaris Garcia Maldonado  
Kevin Montes  
Lorena Ibarra  
Marisol Lopez  
Brian Ramos  
Jorge Ramirez  
Noemy Carrillo  
Domingue Hill  
Pedro Velazquez  
Lindsey Torres  
Jessica Partida  
Daisy Vega  
Diana Arrellano  
Jenny Gonzalez  
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