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## K-12 Education

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### Primary and Secondary Education

Merced offers a variety of educational experiences. Kindergarten through 8th grade classes are provided by Merced City School District and Weaver School District, with a combined student population of more than 14,000 students. The Districts' programs are augmented by 5 private elementary schools, offering academic and religious education. Merced has won state recognition for Hoover Middle School. Full programs of sports, music and other activities are offered.

Merced Union High School District is a unified district of high schools within Merced County, including three campuses located in Merced. Golden Valley and Merced High Schools offer complete traditional programs, including advanced placement and honors classes. East Campus provides alternative education. The high schools have complete sports, music and extra-curricular programs, and frequently win honors in these fields.

The Merced County Office of Education provides a continuation high school and special education services.

K-12 Education			
Elementary Schools	Enrollment	Avg. Class Size	Test Scores*
Ada Givens Elementary (K-5)	493	21.4	775
Alicia Reyes Elementary (K-5)	580	23.2	740
Allan Peterson Elementary (K-5)	752	24.2	854
Charles Wright Elementary (K-5)	459	22.8	782
Don Stowell Elementary (K-5)	519	22.5	745
Donn B. Chenowith Elementary (K-5)	716	31.0	853

Farmdale Elementary (K-5)	850	20.4	790
Franklin Elementary (K-5)	489	21.1	786
Joe Stefani (3-5)	510	23.1	786
John C. Fremont Charter (K-5)	508	21.1	n/a
John Muir Elementary (K-5)	491	18.8	788
Leontine Gracey Elementary (K-5)	561	22.4	692
Luther Burbank Elementary (K-5)	598	23.0	731
Margaret Sheehy Elementary (K-5)	508	22.0	771
McSwain Elementary (K-8)	836	23.3	860
Pioneer Elementary (K-5)	903	20.0	823
Plainsburg Union Elementary (K-8)	114	19.0	842
<b>Middle Schools</b>	<b>Enrollment</b>	<b>Avg Class Size</b>	<b>Test Scores*</b>
Herbert H. Bruickshank (6-8)	867	25.1	810
Herbert Hoover Middle (6-8)	857	24.1	731
Merced Scholars Charter (6-12)	108	25.4	n/a
Rudolph Rivera Middle (6-8)	898	26.0	759
Tenaya Middle (6-8)	890	25.0	713
Weaver Middle (6-8)	759	21.0	776
<b>High Schools</b>	<b>Enrollment / Grad Rate</b>	<b>Avg Class Size</b>	<b>Test Scores*</b>
Golden Valley High (9-12)	2,316 (89.5)	22.4	775
Merced High (9-12)	2,656 (88.6)	24.1	800
<b>Alternative/Special/Adult Education</b>	<b>Enrollment / Grad Rate</b>	<b>Avg Class Size</b>	<b>Test Scores*</b>
Floyd A. Schelby (K-12) (Special Ed)	63 (n/a)	9	728

Independence High (9-12) (Alt)	215 (39.1)	11.3	520
Merced City School District Communic Day (K-8) (Alt)	19 (n/a)	6.3	n/a
Merced County Juvenile Hall/Community (K-12) (Alt)	114 (28.6)	19.0	n/a
Merced County Special Education (K-12)	526 (n/a)	9.2	717
Sequoia High (9-12) (Alt)	146 (84.5)	8.4	516
Valley Community (K-12) (Alt)	841	22.8	535
Yosemite High (9-12) (Continuation)	307 (78.6)	11.2	527
<b>Private Schools</b>	<b>Enrollment</b>	<b>Avg Class Size</b>	<b>Test Scores*</b>
Harvest Christian (PK-12)	40	6.8	n/a
Merced Adventist (4-8)	9	9.0	n/a
Merced Christian (PK-8)	181	12.4	n/a
Merced Montessori (PK-K)	68	1.1	n/a
Our Lady of Mercy (PK-8)	324	26.7	n/a
St. Luke's Episcopal (PK-5)	83	9.0	n/a
St. Paul Lutheran (PK-5)	124	15.8	n/a
Stone Ridge Christian High (9-12)	52	9.6	n/a

Source: National Center for Education Statistics ([www.nces.ed.gov](http://www.nces.ed.gov)); Great Schools ([www.greatschools.org](http://www.greatschools.org)); 2009-2010 data (September 2011)

\*API: The API (Academic Performance Index) ranges between 200 and 1,000, with 800 as the statewide goal for all schools.