



Six Core Elements

Los Angeles Education Partnership (LAEP) is a nonprofit organization that improves schools in high-poverty areas of Los Angeles. It is recognized as an innovative leader in school reform known for proven, effective programs and responsive collaboration. Drawing on 30 years of experience, LAEP has identified six core elements that it believes schools need to be successful.

High-Quality Instruction

- Inquiry-based instruction is at the core of the schools.
- Students receive engaging interdisciplinary lessons.
- Instruction is aligned with Common Core Standards.
- Students receive individualized attention.
- Real-life learning occurs inside and beyond classrooms.

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In 2012, at Social Justice Humanitas Academy:

- More than 90% of 113 seniors graduated.
- 84% of graduating seniors were eligible for admission to public universities.

Teacher Leadership & Collaboration

Teachers share responsibility for:

- Individual student achievement;
- Interdisciplinary lessons; and,
- Leadership for planning and making decisions.

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- Teacher-led design teams created 14 autonomous schools with LAEP support.

College & Career Readiness

- Students receive rigorous writing-based curriculum.
- Schools are career-themed.
- Students graduate ready for college and careers.
- Community and business volunteers are actively engaged.

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- More than 90% of eligible juniors in LAEP's career academies write resumes and have the experience of mock job interviews arranged by LAEP.

Parents as Partners

- Student-led conferencing engages parents and students.
- Parents are their child's first teachers.
- Active community building occurs between parents and teachers.
- Schools are rich in family resources.

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- 90% of parents and students participated in student-led conferences at 3 LAEP small schools.
- 91% of parents in LAEP Early Childhood programs improved how they help their children with learning such as reading and using new words when talking.

Youth Empowerment

- Students are viewed as leaders by teachers, administrators and themselves.
- Students develop life skills, including mediation, mentoring, college knowledge, and health.
- Students help shape their learning experiences.

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At Fremont High School:

- Student peer mediators solved 94% of disputes.
- 95% of peer mentees increased their attendance.
- Has the lowest suspension rate (.9%) in South L.A.

Educational Equity

- Students have resources that match their needs.
- Instruction is personalized for student success.
- Strategies are in place to eliminate drop-out, push-out, and failure rates.

QUICK FACT

- Bethune Middle School wins national "Get Schooled" attendance competition two years in a row.