



Subgrantee:	Clark County School District
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**Sunrise Mountain High School
GEAR UP Abstract 2010-2011**

Sunrise Mountain High School is the newest comprehensive high school in CCSD. Its initial enrollment includes approximately 1,800 freshmen, sophomore, and junior students: 54.2% male, 45.8% female. The diverse population includes 0.6% American Indian/Alaskan Native, 16.1% African American, 2.5% Asian/Pacific Islander, 65.6% Hispanic, and 35.9% Caucasian. Additionally, 20.5% of the population is identified as LEP, 11.6% IEP, and 57.6% Free or Reduced Lunch program.

Sunrise Mountain has selected the acronym RISE to meet the challenges of students entering the 21st century world—Respect, Initiative, Service, Enterprise. Five academies divide the student body into smaller learning communities: the required Freshman Academy and four others named for the geographic location of the campus; Apex, Miner, Mountain, and Summit. Students are assigned to these academies based on academic data to assure they are supported and challenged as necessary to progress and achieve academically. Individual interests are met through a curriculum that includes 21st Century Course of Study expectations and career/technical opportunities through sequenced Programs of Study. Students are encouraged to enroll in honors and AP classes. GEAR UP funds will support AP testing and PSAT or ACT for those students who meet established benchmarks. GEAR UP supports academic excellence through on-campus, after school tutoring in the Learning Lab. Each student's Academic Plan is reviewed and modified during scheduled counseling sessions that emphasize academic strengths and areas for improvement.

Parent nights scheduled for each semester will focus on parental support for students' aspirations, understanding academic vocabulary, college admission requirements, and financial planning for post-secondary opportunities.

Each student will participate in a field trip to a NSHE campus program. Tentative plans include participation in the STEM Conference held during spring semester at the Cheyenne Campus of CSN. NSHE representatives will be invited to the parent events.

Jennifer Peterson, Assistant Principal, will provide program oversight.