

# Non-Public School for Students With Special Needs

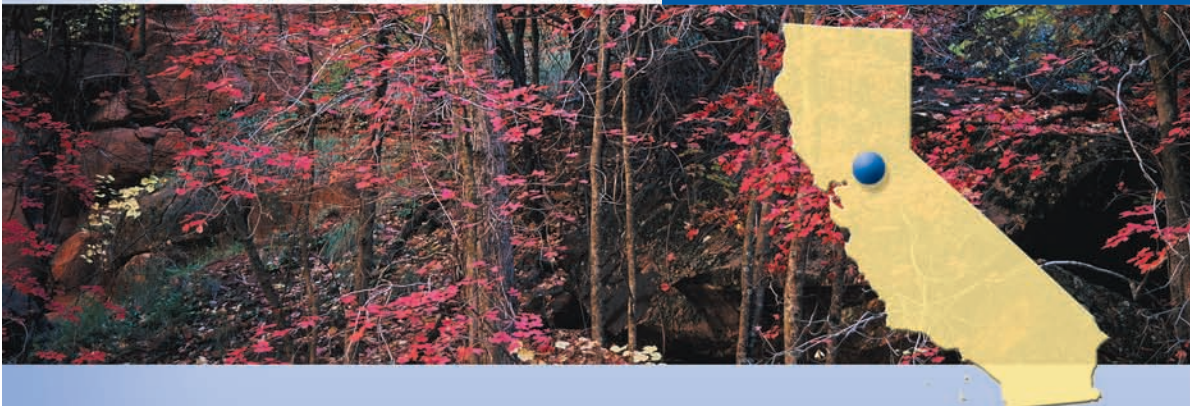
## UHS KEYSTONE SCHOOLS, CARMICHAEL

***UHS-Keystone Schools, Carmichael*** is a non-public special education school. It is the largest non-public school in northern California, with over 170 students enrolled from over 26 school districts. UHS-Keystone Schools, Carmichael has been accredited since 1998 by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC). The school is located at the La Sierra Community Center.

With an optimal student-to-faculty ratio, UHS-Keystone Schools, Carmichael provides an exceptional learning environment for children with special needs. Highly structured academic classroom programs are complemented by a variety of specialized services. A team concept is emphasized so staff members are informed about individual students and their needs. UHS-Keystone Schools, Carmichael uses the state-approved curriculum from the San

Juan School District. The school's programs include *Why Try* and *Second Step* as well as social skills training. Both PECs and TEACCH are used as teaching and communication methods for students with Autism and other Severely Handicapped students. The school also offers a Special Olympics and athletic program for students.

UHS-Keystone Schools, Carmichael is committed to admitting and helping *every child*, including those who are especially hard to place. Finding hope for children who are considered hopeless by others is something we do every day. At UHS-Keystone Schools, Carmichael, kids always come first, and we see hope in every child.



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### *Services*

- State Standards Based Academic Curriculum
- Behavior Management Program
- Social Skills Training
- Speech and Language Services
- Inter-school Athletic Events
- Computer Lab
- WorkAbility
- Case Management
- Adaptive Physical Education

### *Admission Criteria*

- Students between the ages of 6 and 22 with the following educational designations: ED, DD, SH, MH, TBI, OHI, SI, SLD, and Autism.
- All students are referred to us through the IEP (Individual Education Plan) process.

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## *Assessment*

Teachers do quarterly assessments on all students to measure reading fluency, word recognition, reading comprehension, math computation and writing samples aligned to the state frameworks. All classrooms are observed by an Education Coordinator monthly and rated on 13-15 areas depending on the type of classroom. That data is used to plan trainings and to support the teachers within their classrooms. All state standardized tests are administered on site and according to the state mandates. UHS-Keystone Schools, Carmichael is a member of the Compendium for CAHSEE (California High School Exit Exam) remediation which began in Spring 2006.

## *Athletics*

Students enrolled in UHS-Keystone Schools, Carmichael are eligible to participate in intramural and intermural sports leagues in football, basketball and softball. This is a positive experience for many kids who have often never been part of a team. The Physical Education program is a structured and coordinated part of school.

## *Transportation*

Transportation is provided door to door for over 26 school districts on any given day. Those students are transported by our 30+ Educational Assistants that support the classroom teachers. In the ED classrooms there is a 1:12 staff to student ratio, and in the Autism Center there is a 1:3 ratio staff to students.

## *Accreditation*

Our school strives to be an exemplary Non-Public School in California. In the Spring of 2004, we were granted another six-year accreditation by WASC (Western Association of Schools and Colleges). UHS-Keystone Schools, Carmichael not only is WASC accredited, but is also state certified. All of our Special Education Teachers are NCLB (No Child Left Behind) compliant. Our staff believe it is important to always look for ways to improve our services. All staff attend over 40 hours a year in training on- and off-site.