

**Shawn Judson, Ed.D.**  
Superintendent  
**Douglas M. Claffin**  
Assistant Superintendent of Business Services  
**Terry Embleton**  
Assistant Superintendent of Personnel  
**Sylvia Kordich**  
Assistant Superintendent of Instruction/Pupil Services



Board of Trustees  
Brynna Cadman  
Cathline Fort  
David W. Long  
Mark H. Murphy  
Cecilia L. Solorio

6061 East Avenue, Etiwanda, California 91739  
[www.etiwanda.k12.ca.us](http://www.etiwanda.k12.ca.us)  
(909) 899-2451 FAX (909) 899-1656

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**  
**Date: October 7, 2010**

**Contact: Dona Smerek**  
**(909) 803-3101**

### **Etiwanda School District Accountability Scores Indicate Etiwanda in #1 Position!**

Accountability scores were presented to the community at a school Board meeting on September 23<sup>rd</sup>. Once again, Etiwanda has achieved top test results, and this year has surpassed all districts in San Bernardino County to reach the number one position! The 2009-10 Standardized Testing and Reporting (STAR) test was administered to 9,634 students district-wide in grades 2 – 8, and scores show an increase in the number of proficient students in our District with 71% of students proficient in language arts and 74% of students proficient in math. Proficiency goals are set by the federal *No Child Left Behind Act* (NCLB) and require that districts continue to move students to proficiency until they have reached the federal target of 100% proficiency for all of students by 2013-14.

The annual proficiency goals apply to all significant subgroups (a group of 100 students or more). The District is pleased to report that all significant subgroups increased or maintained proficiency levels from last year and thirty-nine of forty subgroup areas met the annual proficiency goal. The STAR results also show that the District made progress in closing the achievement gap for Hispanic students, African American students and English Learners in English/Language Arts.

STAR also reports the Academic Performance Index (API). The API is a numbered scale from 200 to 1,000, with 800 being the NCLB goal for the year 2014. Our District's API score increased 12 points from 860 last year to 872, placing Etiwanda at the top among surrounding districts in San Bernardino and Riverside counties! The District API of 872 places Etiwanda in the top 11% of the 1,020 reporting school districts in California. All sixteen District schools have exceeded the 2014 goal of 800 - and the District is very pleased that four schools are above the 900 mark. API results for each school are shown in the graph at the bottom of this page.

API scores are provided for significant subgroups as well. The API scores provide further evidence of the District's success in providing an outstanding education for all students. The API for Etiwanda's Filipino and African American students are in the top 1% of districts in the state; Hispanic students and Students with Disabilities perform in the top 2%; and English Learner (EL) students and Two or More Races students rank in the top 4% of districts in the state.

Sylvia Kordich, assistant superintendent of instruction/pupil services, stated, "Etiwanda School District attributes high test scores to strong parent support, outstanding teachers and support staff, exceptional site leadership, the focus on standards, and our after school and in school intervention programs. We are very proud of our students' academic performance."

## Districtwide 2010 Growth Academic Performance Index (API) Scores

