Guided Studies

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Purpose

- Provide an overview and history of the Guided Studies course
- Share current section and demographic information
- Highlight Guided Studies grade data
- Discuss next steps



What is Guided Studies?

- A middle school course that provides additional support for students in the following areas:
 - \circ practice with academic skills
 - homework support
 - \circ executive functioning skills
 - test preparation
- Guided Studies v. Directed Studies
- Collaboration with core content area teachers
- Positive, supportive relationship between teacher and students



History & Background

- Redwood and Colina Middle Schools opened first Guided Studies course in 2014-15
 Year 1- 7th & 8 grade only
- Sycamore Canyon Middle School opened first Guided Studies course in 2018-19
 - Year 1- 7th & 8 grade only
- Recognized that a number of students needed additional support with executive functioning skills
- Maintain enrollment in class at 20-24 students
- Students can move in or out of course at semester as needed
- Four of five middle schools provided Guided Studies classes prior to the 2022-2023 school year
- For 2022-23 school year, 2 additional Guided Studies sections were allocated to each middle school through the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) III Plan to address loss of instructional time due to the COVID-19 pandemic

Guided Studies Current Sections

Site	Sections	Grades
Colina	3	6th, 7th, & 8th
Los Cerritos	2	6th/7th & 7th/8th
Redwood	2	7th & 8th
Sequoia	2	7th & 8th
Sycamore	3	6th, 7th, & 8th





Guided Studies Student Demographics

Students with Unstable Housing	Foster	GATE	SED	EL	RFEP	Students on an IEP	Students on a 504 Plan
3%	0%	2%	40%	21%	14%	14%	15%



Guided Studies Grade Comparisons- English

Grade Distribution (7th & 8th)	2022 S1	2023 S1	Difference in Marks
A	15	11	-4
В	32	46	+14
С	49	61	+12
D	35	39	+4
F	36	23	-13



Guided Studies Grade Comparisons- Math

Grade Distribution (7th & 8th)	2022 S1	2023 S1	Difference in Marks
А	11	16	+5
В	20	37	+17
С	36	45	+9
D	37	36	-1
F	47	33	-14





Questions?

