

SERVICE LEARNING

The San Dieguito Union High School District's Board of Trustees desires that all students develop a strong sense of personal and social responsibility. The Board sees the importance of infusing service learning institutional strategies into the curriculum. Research shows that infusion of these integrated teaching strategies improves critical thinking, communication, and problem-solving skills while enhancing the targeted curricular framework. The Board desires that service learning methodology be linked and coordinated with instructional programs.

The Board recognizes that service learning can help develop skills, career awareness and self esteem. Service experiences also can motivate students by allowing them to apply their skills and knowledge to local needs and problems, and showing them that they can make a contribution to their community by being a part of the solution.

The Board of Trustees supports the integration of service learning activities with the curriculum to enhance instruction and to meet standards. The Board encourages staff to collaborate with local public and non-profit agencies in order to develop service learning activities that meet educational objectives and also fit in with current community efforts to meet health, educational, environmental, or public safety needs.