

April 13, 2021

Jason Garcia, Superintendent
Delano Joint Union High School District
1720 Norwalk Street
Delano, CA 93215

RE: 2020 Innovative & Impactful Schools Recognition

Dear Superintendent Garcia:

Kern County Superintendent of Schools (KCSOS) believes in the power of learning from one another. As such, one of our priority efforts is around sharing promising practices throughout our county. On behalf of Dr. Mary Barlow and KCSOS' Instructional Services Division, we are pleased to recognize Cesar E. Chavez High School for the implementation of innovative and impactful practices that have improved student outcomes. The practices which have been established as a part of the school's culture have shown to be effective and sustainable. KCSOS is excited to share your success and practices with other schools within Kern County.

KCSOS has identified Kern County school sites which have shown the greatest academic growth over three years, as demonstrated by the Distance from Standard (DFS) on the Smarter Balanced English Language Arts and Mathematics summative assessments. This project is one of the many ways KCSOS shares practices among schools within Kern County. Cesar E. Chavez High School was highlighted at our December Instructional Leadership Network (ILN) meeting, along with a profile, resource, and summary page posted on the [Kern.org website](https://www.kern.org), under the 'Promising Practices' tab.

To honor the hard work of your staff and students, a banner and certificate will be provided to your district. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, these items will be mailed directly to your district office. We kindly ask the team involved with implementing these innovative and impactful practices to take a few photographs and email them to cohilton@kern.org no later than April 29, 2021. Your photos will be shared at the next ILN meeting scheduled for May 5, 2021, from 9 am to noon.

We look forward to receiving your photos and celebrating Cesar E. Chavez High School. Please contact Robin Shive at roshive@kern.org or (661) 636-4195 should you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,



Lisa Gilbert, Ed.D.

Deputy Superintendent, Instructional Services