

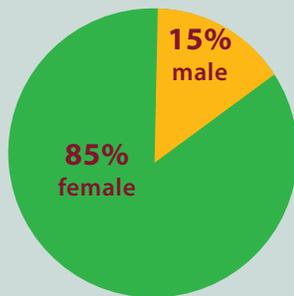
HIGH SCHOOL EQUIVALENCY PROGRAM (HEP)

Who We Are

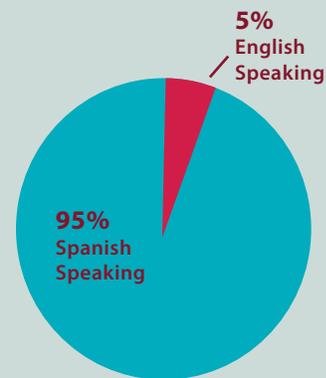
The High School Equivalency Program (HEP) is a federally funded program that helps migrant and seasonal farmworkers who are 18 years of age or older and not currently enrolled in school to obtain the equivalent of a high school diploma (HSE) and gain employment, go to an institution of higher education, the military, other postsecondary education or vocational training.

Demographics of Students for Academic Year 2020-2021

(N=70)



Gender



Language



Age Range

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Outreach Efforts

Recruitment Areas: migrant camps, PIQUE meetings, PAC meetings, Head Starts, Catholic Churches, adult schools, ESL Programs, Migrant Education Region 2, local grocery stores, flea markets, 23 community events, and even door to door where there was a major concentration of migrant and seasonal farm workers

AY 2018-2019		AY 2019-2020		AY 2020-2021	
applications received	325	applications received	295	applications received	195
fully completed application	175	fully completed application	157	fully completed application	125
students completed pre-testing	150	students completed pre-testing	134	students completed pre-testing	95
students accepted and served	74	students accepted and served	70	students accepted and served	70

Program Goals

1. Recruit and enroll 100% of the 70 eligible adults and out-of-school youth



AY 2017-2018



AY 2018-2019

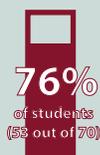


AY 2019-2020



AY 2020-2021

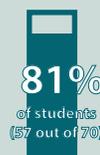
2. 75% of the eligible participants will receive a high school equivalency diploma (HSED) within the academic year



AY 2017-2018



AY 2018-2019



AY 2019-2020



AY 2020-2021
*full year of virtual learning

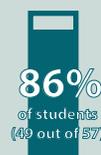
3. 80% of HEP participants will enter postsecondary education or training programs, upgraded employment, or the military within the academic year



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COVID Response

The 2020-2021 academic year was a very challenging year due to the pandemic. For that reason, the HEP program did the following:

1. On March 2020, we surveyed HEP students on computer and internet usage to help design the best approach to proceed with the instruction and delivery.



Based on the responses from the survey, HEP designed a hybrid model to deliver instructions. Over 95% of the students attended classes using their cell phones and used printed materials (books and handouts were prepared by the HEP staff and shipped to students).



2. California Wellness Foundation (CWF) provided a health workshop about COVID-19: symptoms and prevention. Workshop was provided in Spanish, and focused on the COVID-19 in the migrant farm working community.



3. La Familia (Housing for Harvest), in partnership with Sacramento County, offered a workshop to support farmworkers who had COVID-19 or were around someone who had COVID-19. Migrant workers were eligible to receive quarantine support and stay at a hotel.



4. El Concilio, a non-profit organization, offered a workshop to identify the stressors during the time of COVID-19 and provided activities and coping mechanisms for the family to do at home.