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**PROVIDING HIGH QUALITY
ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION AT YOUR
CHILD'S SCHOOL**

Edwin Markham CARE Program

Our Mission

The Edwin Markham CARE Program provides a high quality alternative education option for at-risk 7th & 8th grade students by building upon student strengths and assets while identifying and developing areas of need. CARE stands for *Community Action for Responsive Education*, which appropriately reflects the unique mission of this innovative program.

Overview

Our CARE program serves students who are experiencing difficulty meeting behavioral, social, and academic standards in a traditional setting.

Students who attend the CARE program are given an opportunity to have an educational experience tailored to meet their individual needs academically and/or behaviorally. Through teaching methods that incorporate differentiated instruction, students are provided a positive academic experience while gaining the self confidence to assist them in a traditional school setting.

Curriculum is centered on the Common Core State Standards, while taking into

account individual needs and learning styles. A low student to teacher ratio is maintained to support academic recovery and acceleration. The program supports student learning by providing positive reinforcement, clear support plans, and individual attention. The program features a flexible learning environment to create a successful educational experience.

Students attend a full-day academic program geared for successfully earning a diploma. An individual learning plan is carefully developed for each student. Communication and partnership with parents are central tenets of our mission. School districts request, host, and operate CARE programs jointly with the El Dorado County Office of Education.



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Program Elements

- Enhanced support for student success
- Individualized Learning Plans
- Low student - teacher ratio
- Targeted remediation and acceleration.
- Ongoing communication
- Focus on building student strengths and assets while identifying and developing areas of need.
- Needs continually assessed

- Instruction provided by a high quality, credentialed teacher.
- Curriculum centered on the California State Content Standards while taking into account individual needs and learning styles.

What can you do as a parent?

- Communicate regularly with your child's teacher and school staff.
- Discuss school with your child each night, taking an active interest in homework and activities
- Attend school events such as Back to School Night, Open House, and conferences.
- Utilize services in the community that offer support to families.



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This innovative program, which is currently offered at four area schools, is operated in partnership with local school districts. Service is provided at the student's district of residence school. Each student is referred by their local school or their parents. The program is built on the partnership between school, students, and parents/guardians.

A CARE team develops strategies to help students become successful academically and behaviorally. Staff get to know each student individually, which helps meet individual needs and ensures immediate and ongoing communication with parents.

In order to ensure success for our students, we utilize creative and innovative educational strategies. Our goal is for our students to become positive and contributing members of their community. The CARE program provides a structured but flexible learning environment to create a successful educational experience.

The CARE Program is part of the El Dorado County Office of Education Charter Alternative Programs, which

is comprised of unique programs tailored to meet a wide variety of student and family needs. All programs are fully accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges.



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