

# SCHOOLS

## Education

The Tahoe Truckee Unified School District (TTUSD) serves approximately 4,092 kindergarten through 12th grade students residing in eastern portions of Placer, Nevada and El Dorado counties. School configurations represent elementary school (kindergarten-5th), middle school (6th-8th) and high school (9th-12th). Eleven schools are located in the district's 720-square mile attendance area, primarily in the Truckee/Glenshire, Tahoe City and Kings Beach communities.

### Tahoe Truckee Unified School District (TTUSD)

www.ttusd.org 582-2500

## TTUSD School Philosophies

### Elementary School

The elementary school mission focuses on the belief that all children can be successful and that all children learn at different rates and in different ways.

The primary emphasis is meeting those individual needs in a safe, secure and nurturing environment. Each school emphasizes strong academic skills and facilitates personal development. Staff and students work on collaborative decision making and problem solving. They believe parent involvement in critical to student success and seek parent input about their child's education.

Donner Trail Elementary	426-3639
Glenshire Elementary	582-7675
Kings Beach Elementary	546-2605
Tahoe Lake Elementary	583-3010
Truckee Elementary	582-2650

### Middle School

Middle school philosophy centers on meeting the total needs of students aged 10-14. It is devoted to providing a safe, structured and nurturing school environment for young adolescents. It encourages academic and personal excellence, and promotes students to become self-directed, responsible and independent learners. The curriculum incorporates a wide range of special offerings including computer labs and the use of technology, academic and personal counseling, elective programs, special needs instruction, music and the arts, physical education and intervention programs. Students success at middle school is dependent upon communication among students, parents and teachers.

Alder Creek Middle School	582-2750
North Tahoe Middle School	581-7050

### High School

The goal of area high schools is to successfully prepare students for the 21st century. Instructional programs focus on student performance and curricular relevancy to today's world. Students are encouraged to actively participate in the local business community to gain practical experience in their chosen field. Local business partners have helped the "School for Life" experience to become a reality. Partnerships of students, parents, teachers, businesses and community members help to ensure the

success of every student. high-tech computer labs allow students to access dates for individual and group projects. The schools support students' rights to an environment that is safe, clean and drug free, one where people are treated equally, fairly, respectfully and courteously.

North Tahoe High	583-6922
Truckee High	582-2600
Sierra Continuation high School	582-7685

All three high schools are fully accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC).

### Community College

Sierra College, a fully accredited two-year community college with their primary campus in Rocklin, CA, recently opened a new campus atop McIver Hill in Truckee.

Sierra College 550-2225; 800-242-4004  
1101 College Trail, Tahoe-Truckee Center  
Truckee, CA 96161  
www.sierracollege.edu

## Independent Study/Home School

The Cold Stream Alternative School offers parents and students a full-time independent study option for grades K-12. The program provides a quality, standards-based educational alternative to learning. Students are granted equal access to school district extracurricular activities and college prep courses such as sports, music, foreign language and lab sciences.

Cold Stream Alternative School 581-0157

## Curriculum and Teaching Philosophy

### "No student is invisible."

Currently, the district is developing curricula designed to meet the needs of all students. It is based on content and performance standards, in which students demonstrate their understanding of subjects such as reading/language, arts, science and mathematics. TTUSD emphasizes quality work, responsibility and the discovery that education is the most powerful tool available for students to improve their lives. They are exposed to a variety of teaching method with a focus on expected outcomes, coupled with strict adherence to state curriculum requirements.

In addition to standard curricular offerings, students have many options for educational support such as computer labs and access to the internet, Gifted and Talented Education, Special Education, Special Friends, Fine Arts, Environmental Education, Bilingual Education, Two Way Immersion Classes, and a variety of summer school programs.

## Missions Statement

We are committed to excellence  
We empower our children and ourselves  
to meet the challenges of today and tomorrow.