

High School Education Alternatives

Fremont Unified School District recognizes the need to offer more than one path to earning a high school diploma. Student needs vary so it is necessary that our school district, as well as the State of California, are responsive with a number of high school alternatives.

ROBERTSON ALTERNATIVE HIGH SCHOOL

Robertson High School is an alternative high school located in the Irvington area. The school day at Robertson is shorter and students are placed in smaller classes with a more individualized learning setting. Robertson is on a quarter schedule which affords students the opportunity to earn and recover more credits during the school year. New students can only begin at the beginning of each quarter. The goal of Robertson is to have students catch up on missing credits so they can possibly return to their home high school to graduate with their class. Robertson students can attend ROP courses with transportation included. Graduates from Robertson need to earn 200 credits rather than the 230 credits required at the comprehensive high schools, the difference being in the number of electives (40 instead of 75).

Website: <https://fremontunified.org/robertson/>

VISTA INDEPENDENT STUDY HIGH SCHOOL

Vista High School is an in-person and independent study program. The Vista student body consists of students, who because of unusual responsibilities or personal circumstances, find that the Vista program more effectively meets their needs. All Vista students are assigned to attend a two day schedule each week from 8:15-2:00 pm. The Vista program operates on a block schedule where students can earn up to 20 units during each 9 week quarter. Due to this academic schedule, students can only enter Vista at the beginning of each quarter during the school year.

Vista graduates need 200 credits to graduate as opposed to 230. The difference being in the number of electives (40 instead of 75). Students who receive Special Education services through SDC classes are not able to attend Vista since Vista does not have the support structure for special education services.

[Website](#)

CENTER FOR INDEPENDENT LEARNING (COIL)

COIL's mission: Our "circle of learning" - student, parent and advisory teacher - works together to develop a personalized plan that best enables the student to discover his or her unique learning style and mature into an independent, lifelong learner. Within this approach, students are provided with opportunities to grow through a variety of classes, activities, and field trips. The student's parent becomes their teacher with the support of the COIL staff; this school uses the homeschooling model. Parents and students must attend an orientation before enrolling at COIL.

Website: <https://ca01001063.schoolwires.net/>

FREMONT ADULT AND CONTINUING EDUCATION (FACE)

Students may enroll in Fremont Adult School as full time students when they are 18 years of age. Counselors are involved in advising and discussing this option and helping the student in this transition in cases where a diploma from the comprehensive high school may be out of reach. Students can elect to pursue a high school diploma at the adult school or they may choose to work toward passing the General Education Development (GED) test. Individualized computer based programs assist students in preparation for the GED test. Visit the Fremont Adult School website at:

Website: <https://www.face.edu/Domain/153>

Video:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jAzigFt7woM&ab_channel=FremontAdult%26ContinuingEducation

CALIFORNIA PROFICIENCY PROGRAM (CPP)

With parent permission, students who are at least 16 years of age or have completed the tenth grade have the option of taking these exams for a fee. Students must pass the Reading/Writing, Math and Essay subtests in order to legally leave high school and are then able to enroll at California Community Colleges, which they are encouraged to do. Some kind of post-secondary education is strongly advised. More information can be found at their website:

Website: <https://hiset.org/california-proficiency/>