



Ocean View School District

# Press Release

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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

### MESA VIEW MIDDLE SCHOOL RECOGNIZED AS CALIFORNIA LEADERSHIP SITE

Mesa View Middle School has been selected by CalSTAT, a Special Project of the California Department of Education, Special Education Division as a State Leadership Site in the area of literacy for the 2007-2008 year. Applications from all over California were reviewed by a selection panel comprised of leading educators across the state. With this award, Mesa View joins two other Ocean View School District middle schools, Marine View and Vista View, in this state-wide recognition.

Mesa View offers a continuum of programs and instruction to help students reach their personal best by meeting the literacy needs of all students. Students practice reading fluency to enhance their reading comprehension each day, by participating in a program called Six Minute Solution during language arts classes. Those who have greater needs may take a Literacy Clinic class focusing on decoding and writing skills. An intensive program, Language! or High Point are also offered. In addition, the writing strategy, "Step Up to Writing" is used in all classes.

CalSTAT works collaboratively to bring research-based training to schools and families, using workshops, online conferences, meetings, and publications. Its activities encourage general education, special education, and families to combine their efforts to improve education. CalSTAT awards money to successful schools, teacher training programs, and parent centers to improve the quality of education in California.

Mesa View now joins other leadership and promising practice sites in improving education for all students by sharing their program and having access to excellent resources.

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