



Fresno County Community School - Violet Heintz Education Academy

The Violet Heintz Education Academy (VHEA) is a multidisciplinary, community-based alternative to incarceration, for juvenile offenders, grades 9-12. This multi-disciplinary approach is a treatment-oriented program among probation, mental health, substance abuse services and education for students who are having mental health or substance abuse problems. This school program provides educational programming for students' that are court ordered, probation-referred, on probation or parole and are not attending any other school; or that have been expelled from district programs, respectively. Students are provided with an educational program tailored to meet their individual academic learning level and behavioral needs. Students are typically enrolled for one to two semesters. An additional benefit to VHEA this school year is the addition of the Cen Cal Mentoring program. Their mission is to provide mentoring services to environmentally "at risk" youth in Alternative Education Programs in the Central Valley.

VHEA is working to fulfill its mission of preparing our students to thrive in the workforce with the assistance of, Fresno County Probation, Fresno County Mental Health, Cen Cal Mentoring Program, and Dunamis' Inc. Our career focus will expose students to Landscape and Design, Building Trades, Videography Film Production and Multi-Media, Media Arts and Personal Social Development (PSD) courses.

