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Final Academic Performance Index for California Public Schools

The Healdsburg Unified School District is pleased to report that all schools within the District made significant growth on the latest Academic Performance Index (API) released today.

All public schools in California are ranked on a 10-point API scale (1-10). Schools are also compared with schools with similar demographics within California. The Academic Performance Index (API) is calculated on 2010 STAR scores and California High School Exit Exam scores.

- Healdsburg Elementary School including the Fitch Mountain Campus improved from a ranking of 3 to a ranking of 7, compared to similar schools in California.
- Healdsburg Junior High School improved from a ranking of 4 to a ranking of 8, compared to similar schools in California.
- Healdsburg High School improved from a ranking of 7 to a ranking of 9, compared to similar schools in California.
- Each school within the District has experienced significant growth in recent years and places all Healdsburg schools among the higher ranked schools in Sonoma County.

Statewide Rankings and Similar Schools Rankings

School	2009 Statewide Rank	2010 Statewide Rank	Difference in Ranking between 2009-2010	2009 Ranking Compared to Similar Schools	2010 Ranking Compared to Similar Schools	Difference in Ranking between 2009-2010
HES/FMC	2	4	+2	3	7	+4
HJHS	5	6	+1	4	8	+4
HHS	7	7	No change	7	9	+2

The outstanding results are a reflection of the focus and commitment of the entire District staff. The results are another indicator, together with Healdsburg Junior High School's status as a **2011 California Distinguished School**, that the Healdsburg Unified School District is providing outstanding educational service to our students.

The District seeks to continue the upward trend in providing the most outstanding education to students in Healdsburg.

For more information, please contact Jeff Harding, Superintendent of Schools, at 431-3488 or jharding@husd.com. Additional information on the API can be found at California Department of Education's website: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/ar/>