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Dysart schools and programs continue to win awards

DYSART SCHOOLS — Schools and programs in the Dysart School District continue to be recognized for excellence in achievement and program endeavors through various awards. Thompson Ranch Elementary School and Dysart’s community education department are the latest to be honored.

Thompson Ranch Elementary School was given the Bronze Beat the Odds award for implementing research-based instructional practices and demonstrating exceptional improvement in academic achievement. The Beat the Odds awards mark major milestones toward attaining the title of a “Beat the Odds School”—one in which individual student achievement is better than expected as a result of implementing research-based principles that are within every school’s control. Thirty-nine metro Phoenix-area schools were presented with Beat the Odds Awards for academic improvement. Thompson Ranch Elementary School’s 2009 academic achievement earned the school an AZ LEARNS profile of Performing Plus.

The Dysart community education department recently received the Westmarc Best of the West honorable mention award for education. The award was given for the partnership between the Dysart School District and the City of El Mirage for the Mayor’s Adult Basic Education Academy. This academy provides free tuition for those seeking the opportunity to receive their GED. This partnership also provides free day care to individuals during GED classes. The community education recognition marks the second straight year that Dysart has been recognized with the Best of the West award.

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