

# High School Equivalency Program (HEP)

## What We Do

The High School Equivalency Program (HEP) is a federally funded program that helps migrant and seasonal farmworkers who are 17 years of age or older and not currently enrolled in school to obtain the equivalent of a high school diploma (HSE) and gain employment, go to an institution of higher education, the military, other postsecondary education or vocational training.

## Demographics of Students for Academic Year 2019-2020 (N=70)

### Gender

77% were female  
33% were male

### Location

33% from Woodland  
24% from Lodi  
16% from Stockton  
14% from Yuba  
13% from Courtland

### Language

95% Spanish speaking  
5% English speaking

### Age

Ranging from 18-55 years old.

## Outreach Efforts

**Recruitment Areas:** migrant camps, PIQUE meetings, PAC meetings, Head Starts, Catholic Churches, adult schools, ESL Programs, Migrant Education Region 2, local grocery stores, flea markets, 23 community events, and even door to door where there was a major concentration of migrant and seasonal farm workers

## AY 2018-2019

325 applications received  
175 fully completed application  
150 students completed pre-testing  
74 students accepted and served

## AY 2019-2020

295 applications received  
157 fully completed application  
134 students completed pre-testing  
70 students accepted and served

## Program Goals

1. **Recruit and enroll 100% of the 70 eligible adults and out-of-school youth**
  - a. AY 2017-2018: 70 students
  - b. AY 2018-2019: 74 students
  - c. AY 2019-2020: 70 students
2. **75% of the eligible participants will receive a high school equivalency diploma (HSED) within the academic year**
  - a. AY 2017-2018: 76% of students (53 out of 70)
  - b. AY 2018-2019: 100% of students (74 out of 74)
  - c. AY 2019-2020: 81% of students (57 out of 70)
3. **80% of HEP participants will enter postsecondary education or training programs, upgraded employment, or the military**
  - a. AY 2017-2018: 92% of students (49 out of 53)
  - b. AY 2018-2019: 95% of students (70 out of 74)
  - c. AY 2019-2020: 86% of students (49 out of 57)

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