

Teacher Attributes

- ◆ In-depth content knowledge
- ◆ Ability to motivate students to work hard
- ◆ Flexible approach to instruction and work habits
- ◆ Ability to facilitate student inquiry and research
- ◆ Positive ambassador of education and the Gowan Project



GAP STUDENTS AT SALIDA DEL SOL

POSSIBLE FIELD TRIPS

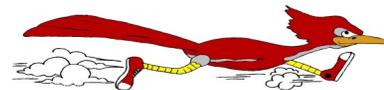
- AWC
- NAU Yuma
- Conservation Garden
- Yuma Theatre
- Yuma River Tours
- Local Businesses
- Agricultural Tours
- Yuma Quarter Master Depot
- Yuma Territorial Prison



This program will focus on and encourage students for college and career readiness.

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Salida del Sol Elementary

GAP

GOWAN ACHIEVEMENT PROJECT



Our Mission:

*Empower students,
through a rigorous
curriculum, to value
higher education.*

What is G.A.P.?

The Gowan Achievement Program (GAP) is designed to offer students who meet or exceed the Arizona state standards more in-depth education and a community of involved learners. Salida del Sol's GAP program provides enrichment for third grade students. GAP started in August 2007, with three teachers and ninety students at Rancho Viejo Elementary School. With the help of the Gowan Company, students at Rancho Viejo have been provided technology, learning tools, and educational experiences that surpass the typical school day for a Crane student. Salida del Sol GAP students thrive in a supportive learning community where science, math and advanced reading are emphasized along with language arts and social studies. GAP students meet educational challenges that will help them develop into critical thinkers and responsible productive citizens.

STUDENTS:

- Multiple assessment measures used in selection:



- * SAT 10 results will be used to determine eligibility with an emphasis on the math score first.
- * DIBELS ~ beginning, midpoint, and final scores from previous year (Oral Reading Fluency (ORF) and Retell)
- * Comprehension skills must be strong

- Teacher survey/recommendation to identify student motivation and likeliness of success in the program
- Capable students who may typically be discipline problems in the classroom thrive in the program because they become challenged at the correct level. These students must be given the same consideration as other students for eligibility
- Must be able to work independently

Now accepting applications for 3rd grade students. Please bring the Open Enrollment form and assessment results to the Salida del Sol office.



CURRICULUM

- ⇒ Rigorous, fast paced
- ⇒ Clearly defined focus on math and science
- ⇒ Engineering is Elementary STEM exploration units
- ⇒ Opportunities for independent study geared toward student needs
- ⇒ Computerized assessment of students provide continual feedback and adjustment to the course of study for the individual student
- ⇒ Organizational skill of students must become well developed
- ⇒ The ability to focus and learn good note taking is critical to keeping up with the curriculum being taught