

School Nurse Services Credential Program

Standard 5

How are School Nurses Impacting Schools in the Central Valley

Awards Earned

The Fresno State School Nurse Services Credential program has had a huge impact on school nursing in the Central Valley. In the past 4 years, 30% of our School Nurse Credential Candidates have represented school districts in the Central Valley; and returned to provide health care to students, staff, and families. In addition, approximately 50% of the current School Nurse Program Coordinators/Health Services Administrators in the Central Valley graduated from the School Nurse Credential Program at Fresno State.

Among this distinguished group of School Nurse Leaders and Administrators we have California School Nurse Organization (CSNO) State School Nurse of the Year recipients (3), CSNO State and National School Nurse Administrator of the Year recipients(2) , CSNO Above and Beyond Awards (2), Employee of the Year candidates and recipients of various Central Valley school districts. Additional awards earned by alumni are: The Clovis USD Crystal Award, Central San Joaquin Valley Nursing Hall of Fame recipient, The Fresno State College of Health and Human Services 2020 Human Services Hero Award and the California Teachers Association/NEA "Who Awards in Education". Many of these School Nurse Administrators have served and/or are serving on the California School Nurse Organization State Boards and Local Central Valley School Nurse (CSNO)Boards, work on Pandemic Committees with the Fresno County Department of Public Health and lead SARS COVID-2 implementation teams to assist in the opening of safe schools.