

GOALS For Valadez: Middle School Enrichment

After almost two years of coping with Covid, school closings, restrictions on activities and social interactions, learning loss continues to be an issue that GOALS has met with aplomb. GOALS For Valadez is a marquee middle school program based at the Valadez Academy which straddles the boundaries of Anaheim and Placentia. Many enrolled youth progress from GOALS involvement at nearby “feeder” elementary school. This is a model of great progression, success, and the partnership with Placentia Yorba Linda’s Unified School District and afterschool leadership has been just remarkable for more than 15 years. Over 150 “tween” and teenagers participate in the GOALS far ranging 5 day a week afterschool enrichment activities. These feature hundreds of field trips, team athletics on and off campus, educational enrichment daily, specialized and motivational curriculum with guest speakers, and incredible mentoring from GOALS Coaches—most of whom are all-star alumni! Site Director Grace Cardona and her ace head coach Elias Barrios, lead the way every GREAT day!

- ◆ Pathways To Wellness (weekly mental health support seminars)
- ◆ Sports Enrichment Classes
- ◆ Science Classes with “Brain Games” & experiments



- ◆ On site sports clinics rotation (basketball, soccer, street hockey, tennis + other sports)
- ◆ Park Adventures: Monthly field trips to enjoy nature.
- ◆ Bowling & Ice Hockey field trips weekly!

