

As a K-8 School District, this video demonstrates the partnership with Ontario High School who hosted our elementary school program. This is a day of competition, teamwork and fun. It is put on by the OMSD Expanded Learning Opportunities Program (ELOP), which is a district-wide afterschool program. The high school students in the program who were there to be the mentors and volunteers were excited to be a part of the event and to help the OMSD students participate. The OMSD students who participated were as equally excited about the games as they were to play on the high school field and potentially their future alma mater. The video's intention is to capture the sense of togetherness among the students. It demonstrates the difference that ELOP has made and how the District is creating safe spaces of competition for students to experience prior to their high school journey. The video is shared in a number of places to get students of all grade levels, parents, and educators excited and engaged in a unified activity. The video also highlights the excitement and showcases the small moments, from the high-fives between elementary and high school students and how this collaboration is so impactful. The event bolstered student confidence. It also brought the community together. And it placed ELOP's program recognized with a CSBA Golden Bell Award, in the spotlight. These experiences are critical to student success as they transition to a new school district for high school. The impact that these programs have on beginning to build relationships with high school students, is immeasurable.