ABOUT MONARCH SCHOOL

The mission of Monarch School is to educate students impacted by homelessness and to help them develop hope for a future with the necessary skills and experiences for personal success.

Monarch has served San Diego County for 30 years, beginning as a one-room education center in 1987 and evolving into a K-12 school offering a comprehensive program designed to educate homeless youth.

Monarch accomplishes its mission by providing student services to support learning in academics, social and emotional growth, and life skills.

Monarch School is a public-private partnership between the San Diego County Office of Education and the nonprofit Monarch School Project.

OUR STUDENTS

Currently there are more than 23,000 homeless students in San Diego County. Monarch School’s role in the community is to serve students impacted by the most severe cases of chronic homelessness and address the related academic disruption they have experienced.

Monarch students live in shelters, motels, in vehicles with their families, or doubled-up with other families. They’ve often been absent from school for long periods of time and are achieving below grade level when they enroll.

Monarch removes barriers typically encountered by homeless students and provides programs and services not offered at traditional schools.

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

- Accredited K-12 education
- Academic support
- Therapeutic arts
- After school program
- Music and dance
- Garden and cooking class
- Counseling and therapy
- Internship program
- College transition
- Physical education
- Interscholastic sports
- Scholarships
- Alumni support
- Breakfast, lunch and snacks
- Family dinners
- Medical, dental and vision care
- Clothing and shoes
- Personal hygiene kits
- Shower and laundry facilities
- Parenting skills and wellness
- Housing assistance
- Backpacks and school supplies

FOUR PILLARS OF STUDENT LEARNING

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<td>We will learn to be creative, collaborative and resourceful problem solvers who think critically and apply what we learn in school to all aspects of our lives.</td>
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<td>We will learn to be aware of our emotions, understand our response to those emotions, and practice positive behaviors.</td>
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