

EDUCATION MARCH 22, 2016 5:52 PM

State's education chief lauds Yosemite High for 'green' efforts



1 of 9



Sun-Star Staff

Tom Torlakson, the state superintendent of public instruction, visited with Yosemite High students on Tuesday and congratulated them on being awarded the Gold Level of the California Green Ribbon Schools Award.

The award honors schools that conserve resources while promoting environmental literacy.

Torlakson met with students at a home on Marthella Avenue where students are installing solar panels under the supervision of GRID Alternatives, a nonprofit that works with volunteers and job trainees to provide solar power and energy efficiency to low-income families.

Earlier this school year, the schools partnered with GRID to provide on-the-job training for these students in response to parent and community stakeholders' request for more opportunities in energy and power technical education.

A group of 30 students in the Green Technology Energy and Conservation course, called GTEC for short, learn about energy conservation, lighting standards and how to measure energy. Students put that knowledge into practice by installing solar electric systems in homes.

Torlakson, Merced Union High School District officials, and Yosemite High staff and students celebrated at the high school with a ceremony and refreshments after visiting the home.



MORE EDUCATION

YOU MAY LIKE

Sponsored Links by Taboola

5 Foods to Never Eat After the Age of 45

Beyond Diet Guide

August 18 roundup: Trump campaign manager says losing in the polls might be good thing, more

PoliticsChatter

Russell Westbrook didn't take the news of Kevin Durant's departure too hard

SportsChatter

The strangest political campaigns for office in the US

PoliticsChatter

US Cities With the Highest % of Reside



Dayton, OH

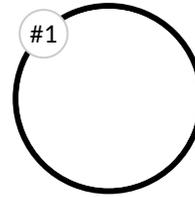
Population 7,940

49.6%

of Residents hav

[SEE THE FULL LIS](#)

NCAA Teams With the Highest 3-Point %



Michigan St. Spartans | Big Ten Conference

43.4% 3-Pointer Accuracy in the 2015-2016 Season

[See the List](#)

[Next List](#) →

COMMENTS