About EPIC

The Educationally Placed Integrated Care (EPIC) program at Canyon State Academy (CSA) offers specialized education and behavioral health treatment services within a comprehensive 24/7 therapeutic program.

Through our Integrated Care Model, CSA promotes a sense of school pride among students, provides a positive environment that fosters positive change, and unlocks boundless potential for achievement.

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Who We Serve

The EPIC program at CSA is committed to serving male youth aged 12-18 who are in need of comprehensive programming designed to support their IEP. The EPIC program is ideal for youth who require round-the-clock support, would benefit from a home-like environment, and may be presenting with the following behaviors:

- School refusal, truancy, or ongoing attendance issues
- Suspensions, removals, expulsions
- Externalizing behaviors (physical/verbal aggression)
- Internalizing behaviors
- Atypical behaviors
- Safety concerns to self or others
- Hospitalizations
- Requires Educationally Related Mental Health Services (ERMHS)

About CSA

Canyon State Academy (CSA) is situated on a sprawling 183-acre campus conveniently located 32 miles from Phoenix. The state-of-the-art campus features an accredited school, library, swimming pool, athletic fields, stables, track stadium, gymnasium, chapel and an enterprise zone where students gain real-world work experience in the hospitality, culinary and cosmetology industries.

CSA features a normalized high school experience and strengths-based approach to care that inspires learning and growth in every youth.

What We Do

The EPIC program is implemented through a collaborative effort between the team at CSA and the student's school district, Local Education Agency (LEA), or Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA). An individualized evidence-based and family-centered education and treatment plan is developed for each youth to support their unique emotional, educational and behavioral health needs.

Comprehensive Programming

Students in the EPIC program receive comprehensive services that align with their IEP and Treatment Plan:

- Tailored academic instruction through the Cognia-accredited on-site school
- Trauma-informed behavioral health services
- Residential care and round-the-clock supervision in a normalized, home-like setting
- Family and community engagement
- Opportunities to participate in extracurricular and recreational activities
- Post-secondary transition preparation

Clinical Services

The student's team works collectively to coordinate all aspects of his program, including:

- Formulating Treatment Plans (monthly)
- Behavioral Health services provided by qualified and licensed clinicians at our on-site behavioral health clinic
- Individual, group, parent and family therapy
- Nursing/medication services
- Drug and alcohol counseling
- Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT)
- Trauma Informed Care

Educational Services

To ensure that each student's educational needs are being met, EPIC provides:

- Certified Teacher led instruction
- 6 hours of instruction per day
- Year-round educational services
- Credit recovery
- Career Technical Education (CTE) certifications
- Diploma track curriculum that aligns with Common Core standards
- Specialized academic instruction

Student Life

EPIC students are provided with a blend of indoor and outdoor social, recreational and job skill opportunities:

- Vocational opportunities on and off campus
- Interscholastic competitive athletics
- Graduation, homecoming, campus clubs
- Staff-supervised cottage living units