

## 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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## Educationally Placed Integrated Care

*Specialized Education and Behavioral Health Treatment Services*



## 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

