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### **106 students honored at inaugural Alternative Education Honors Night**

**SAN JOSE, CA** – Family, friends and educators gathered Thursday evening to recognize the achievements of 106 students the Santa Clara County Office of Education’s four Alternative Education Community Schools at the first-ever Alternative Education Honors Night.

In addition to conventional academic excellence and outstanding attendance awards, students were celebrated for their accomplishments in athletics, community service, leadership and overall improvement. All in all, more than 178 awards were distributed, as many students were honored in multiple categories. Students received a personalized certificate, a pin to wear at their future graduation, and took a picture with Chief Schools Officer Dr. Mary Ann Dewan.

The Honors Night marks the beginning of a new SCCOE tradition that will take place at the end of each semester. The spring ceremony is scheduled for May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

[View pictures of the event.](#)