



Valley Jr. High is a **GEAR UP** School

Gaining **E**arly **A**wareness and **R**eadiness for **U**ndergraduate **P**rograms

Hello 8th Grade **GEAR UP** Students and Parents!

Welcome to **Year 2** of our **GEAR UP** Grant.

As an 8th **Grader** at Valley Jr. High, you are a **GEAR UP** Student.

We are excited to continue working toward being College Ready at High School Graduation.

How **GEAR UP** helps students become college ready:

- Counseling, Advising & Academic Planning
- Academic Tutoring
- Career Exploration and Advising
- College Campus Visits and Information
- Educational Field Trips
- Comprehensive Mentoring
- Financial Aid Counseling/Advising
- Summer School Programs
- Support in completing College and Scholarship Applications

New this year, our Parent Outreach Liaison, Paola Sepulveda, will be making contact with all our **GEAR UP** Parents to talk about **GEAR UP** and discuss how to best help your student.

We have many activities for students and parents throughout the upcoming school year and into next summer. Please watch for the **GEAR UP** Information Packet that will be mailed home in August.

The **GEAR UP** program follows our **GEAR UP** students through their 12th Grade year to promote college awareness and offer support for college readiness.

If you have any questions please contact Teri Dial, your **GEAR UP** Site Coordinator, at Valley Jr. High tdial1@graniteschools.org or 385-646-8640.

We look forward to seeing you soon!
Enjoy the rest of Summer!