Kings Canyon Middle School

This school site is named for the scenic national park which includes the famous and spectacular Kings River Canyon in the high Sierra east and slightly south of Fresno.

The Kings River was originally discovered by Spanish explorers in 1806 who named it Rio de los Santos Reyes, or "River of the Holy Kings." When he traversed the area later, Fremont called it Rio Reyes or Kings River.

The Kings Canyon itself was explored and named by the Whitney Survey in 1864. Kings Canyon was made a National Park in 1940.

The school site is located at 5117 East Tulare Street and is first listed in the Fresno Unified School District directory in 1965-66.