

Community Engagment Initiative

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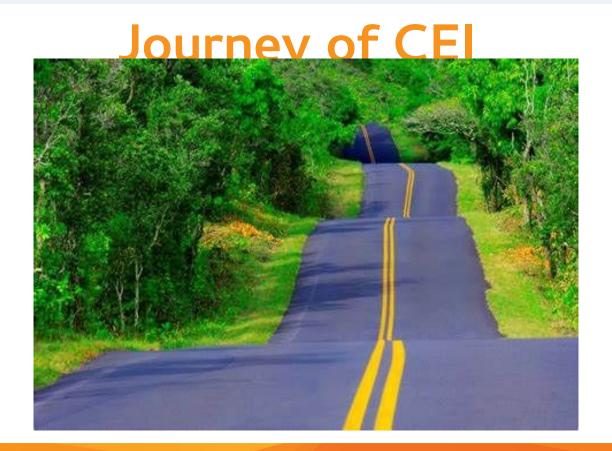


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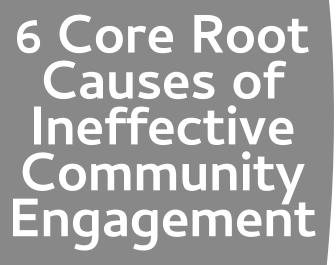
Background



The Community Engagement Initiative (CEI) is...

A series of multi-year professional learning networks (PLNs) that build district and community capacity to collaborate together, with a focus on improving student outcomes







Lack of belief that the system's success is critically dependent on its relationships with students & families Prioritizing Relationships



Lack of belief in students & families as experts



Lack of committed and consistent district & school leadersLeadership Commitment



Lack of understanding what constitutes highly effective student & family engagement <u>Highly</u> <u>Effective Practices</u>



Lack of inclusivity based on race & culture Race & Culture



Systems/Tools are not made to be community-friendly Community-friendly Systems **& Tools**



Various state and local agencies provide an array of support resources, tools, and voluntary technical assistance that all LEAs may use to improve student performance at the LEA and school level and narrow gaps in performance among student groups across the LCFF priorities.



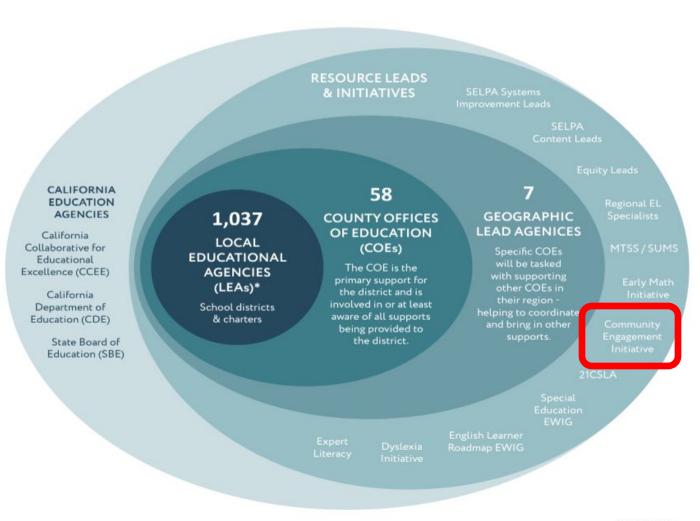
LEVEL 2 DIFFERENTIATED ASSISTANCE

County Superintendents, the California Department of Education, and the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence provide differentiated assistance by working with LEAs and COEs to address identified performance gaps among student groups.

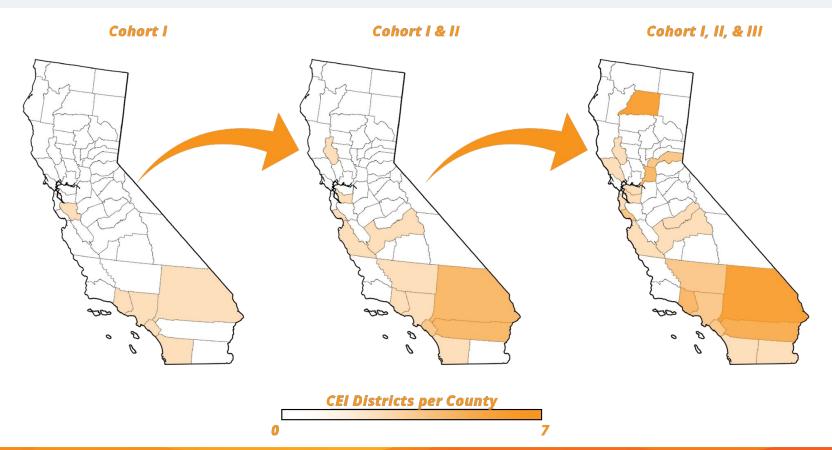


LEVEL 3 INTENSIVE INTERVENTION

The Superintendent of Public Instruction may require more intensive supports for local education agencies (LEAs) and/or schools with persistent performance issues and a lack of improvement over a specified time period.









Cohort I









Statewide Partner



Cohort II























COHORT III



















































COHORT III



ACE Charter Schools Alvord Unified Campbell Union High **El Centro Elementary Fontana Unified** Happy Valley Union Elementary **Kernville Union Elementary** Live Oak SD **Madera Unified** Magnolia Public Schools DISTRIC **Murrieta Valley Unified Natomas Unified**

Oak Run Elementary Rialto Unified TRICK **Rio Elementary Rocklin Academy Family of Schools** San Bernardino City Unified San Bruno Park Elementary Santa Paula Unified **Shasta County Office of Education** Sonoma Valley Unified **Tahoe-Truckee Unified** Twin Rivers Unified **West Contra Costa Unified**

Cohort III **Networks**



Families In Schools Shasta COE **Upper Lake** Anaheim San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools **Chino Valley** Salinas Val Verde Oxnard California Association for Bilingual Education Parlier Riverside

Bakersfield

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Lead Agency

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Costa Unified

Rocklin Academy Family of Schools Sacramento

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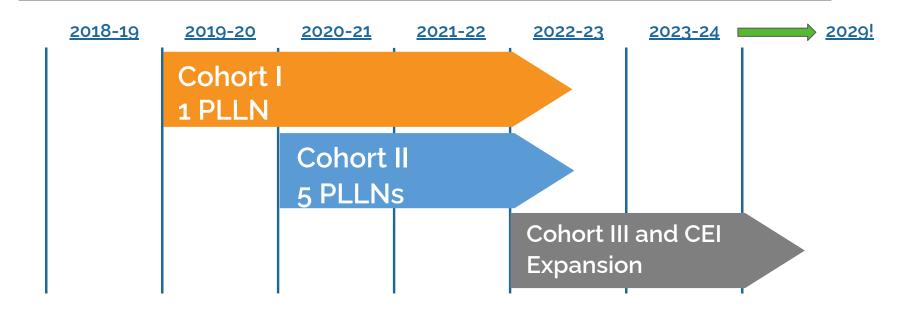
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Initiative Timeline





Peer Leading & Learning Network (PLLN) Team Structure



DISTRICT STAFF/LEADERSHIP



SCHOOL SITE STAFF/LEADERSHIP



STUDENTS AND FAMILIES



COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATION REPRESENTATIVE



COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION REPRESENTATIVE



2022-2023 CEI Lead Agency Deliverables

Deliverable 1: Cohort Convenings to Build Capacity and Scale Up (PLLN planning, in-person & virtual) (8+ PLLN's plus planning cycles)

Deliverable 2: Facilitator Capacity Building and Coaching (3 PLLX general meetings & planning cycles, plus Summer Retreat) - Capacity Work Group

Deliverable 3: Convene Lead Agency Meetings for Planning and Deliverables (All Team Meeting & Advisory Council)

Deliverable 4: SSOS and External Touch points (Communications team - deliverables/content, Conference presentations, & SSOS requests/connections)

Deliverable 5: Final CEI Report and Data Story (RTI - CEI data, & annual/interim reporting preparation)



CEI Meetings and Convenings

LEAD AGENCY ALL
TEAM MEETINGS

COHORT I PLLNS COHORT II PLLNS COHORT III PLLNS PLLX
PEER LEADING and
LEARNING EXCHANGE

CABE TEAM
Connections

Advisory Council

CEI Summer Retreat



CEI: Year 4 Goals

Cohort I & II

- Connect CEI outcomes to statewide Community and Family Engagement efforts and other key initiatives
- Analyze, integrate, and apply transformational and sustainable practices of Community and Family Engagement at a systemic level
- Connect network learnings to improve Local Control Accountability Plans
- Assess systems to address diversity, equity, and inclusion to ensure educational partners voices are equally incorporated in all aspects of decision-making
- Construct and evaluate Community and Family Engagement practices to align with the Dual Capacity-Building Framework and address the 6 Core Root Causes of Ineffective Community Engagement

CEI: Year 4 Goals



Cohort III

- Identify and share district's strengths and areas of growth in addition to learning promising practices of other districts
- Use foundational knowledge around Improvement Science to analyze patterns and connections of their community engagement practices and reflect on the impact of their district's previous efforts to develop implementable Problems of Practice.
- Develop plan for Community and Family Engagement practices to align with the Dual Capacity-Building Framework and address the 6 Core Root Causes of Ineffective Community Engagement



Conocimiento Background





- Originated from the theories and practice of Community Learning Theory by <u>Roberto Vargas</u>
- <u>Dr.</u>

- It is a practice connected with Restorative Justice Circle
- Conocimiento: Shared awareness and understanding
- Continuous knowing creates stronger connection
- Multicultural and multilingual inclusive process and practice to create community
- There is more power in relationships when we are connected

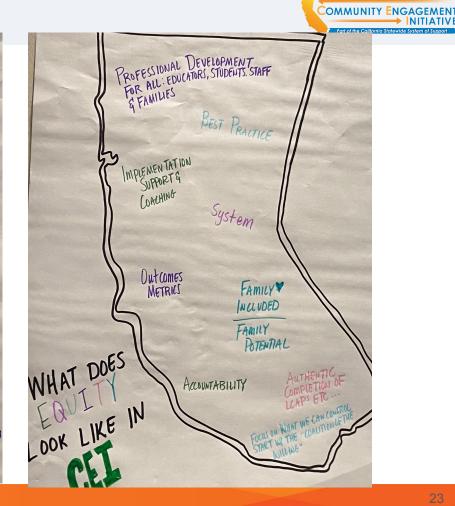
Dr. Vargas, R. 2008. Family Activism: Empowering Your Community, Beginning with Family and Friends. San Francisco: Berett-Koehler Publishers



The CEI Community Engagement Definition

Authentic partnerships amongst students, families, districts and communities that nurture relationships, build trust, ensure cultural, racial and linguistic equity, and lead to transformative student outcomes

What Equity looks like in CE17 · Everyone gets a piece · Empathy - Using this lens · Serving all families Ceven in school communities that appear privileged. deficit · Need to be mindful of language · Concern w/ perception around who





Quotes from our CEI participants

"We obviously don't have all the answers, so really listening to student and parent voice to ask "What do YOU need from US in order to have you willing to AUTHENTICALLY engage?" Instead of talking about it, really listening!"

"You don't have to wait
to have that "aha"
moment to realize that
one of the core values
of community
engagement is listening
to build your effective
family and community
engagement"

"Most of us think we know what we need to do for community engagement but then we walk away saying "Where are the parents, where are the students?"





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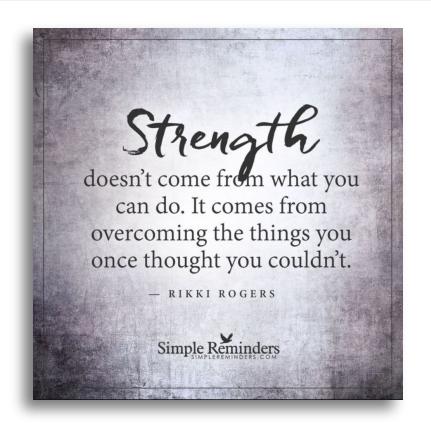


Uplifting the Parent Voice & Onboarding (minute 46)

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THE POWER OF FINDING YOUR STRENGTHS





1. Lack of belief that the system's success is critically dependent on its relationships with students & families

Sub-causes:

- Lack of district prioritization of time/resources
- Don't see connection to student outcomes & achievement
- Don't see importance of accountability to community
- Success is measured by effort, not results ("we tried")
- Lack of understanding theory and research behind engagement
- Reactive vs. preventive mindset and practices

| District strength that addresses the core cause listed above | District area for growth related to the core cause listed above |
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| Have prioritized time and resources (human, time and money) to work with our Native American community. | Originally reactive but working on being more proactive with clubs and associations |
| Work with the COE committee on NA youth | Working more to involve students who will provide a student voice |
| We look at results and hold each other accountable for engagement with stakeholders. (Traveling tutor) | Continue to develop and support Education Centers located on tribal centers |
| Now working with 2 Pomo tribes which each bring their own uniqueness and members who work together to support all students in UL. | Continue to work with both tribes to support all students |

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Continuous Connections



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always considering hearing parent voice, always thinking to provide interpretation services so every voice can be heard!

Hiring additional Community Liaison to support parents

Presenting our POP at the IEL Conference in June!!!

CVUSD took the initiative to be part of the cohort and be change-makers!!

Our district adopted our POP as an inspiration of 8 promises now promoted throughout our District.

Parent Engagement and Networking gives voice to the families we work with.

Bilingual from every culture!

> We brought the excitement of how the community can be engaged, culturally responsive training, Social-Emotional Learning, Flash Mobs, and other strategies to share and learn from others to CEI!

CEI has helped us to become more transparent and have the difficult conversations and come together to bring a solution.

Sharing the

POP with our School Sites!



We have Leadership opportunities that may have never happened... We have helped to shaped other district, presented our work to National School Board, Global organizations like Brookings... we have

We are engaging not just parents but families, allowing the whole family to have a voice!

Our involvement with CEI has allowed us to reach the level of sharing and teaching what we have learned and given us the opportunity to do

this!

This has been a humbling and empowering journey with CEI!

STUDENT SUCCESS STORIES!

We have learned the importance of Student Voice! During the first year, we realized we had not included such an important voice! CEI opened our eyes

COMMUNITY WINS!

Our County Office feels a strengthened relationship with the District. They use our District as a role model, because they know at a deeper level the work we are doing at CVUSD!

It has brought us together with our Board Leadership, our Community Partners, our Parents and Students and our **County Office of Education!**

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Identifying problems of practice and brainstorming ways to work through them

Our annual climate survey provides a space for everyone in our community to lift up their thoughts on our climate.

OUSD Youth people continue learn to lead with purpose

12TH ANNUAL YOUTH ACTION SUMMIT

APRIL 28TH, 2022, 8AM-3PM OAKLAND ASIAN CULTURAL CENTER

Register Now https://bit.ly/ACC12thYASReg

OUSD schools

remain a major

county food bank

for Alameda County

benefiting the ENTIRE community.

distribution location

COMMUNITY FOOD BANK FRIDAY, APIRL 15, 2022 ALL ARE WELCOME! WEAR A MASK!

BANCO DE ALIMENTOS © FRICK UNITED VIERNES 15 DE ABBRIL DE 2022 UNITED 7 3 - 4 PM TODOS SÓN BIENVENIDOS! 2845 64TH AVENUE OAKLAND, CA

Essential Practice in Focus:

MMUNITY WINS! Asset-Based Approach with Newcomers

OUSD 6th Graders Lead Effort to Shed Light on Lead Contaminated Soil in Fruitvale

OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

official name rebranding of our APISA office to AAPISA. This change represents all of the communities we serve under our umbrella which includes our Arab, Asian and

Pacific Islander ARAB ASIAN PACIFIC ISLANDER students and STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

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OMSD has a new department, Family & Community Engagement!



Parent Education Center has a group of parents, Parent Ambassadors, to represent FCE and create a bridge between the department and school sites!

Ouality Start San Bernardino Grant -Improve the child care classroom to an educational setting preparing our toddlers for Pre K



Leadership opportunities have grown for parents that wish to be involved at the school level and district level.



Parents are more aware of the different services and parent leader support

Youth Activist, Roy Juarez Jr., IMPACTtruth, is working with our At Promise students. His work involves working with staff, teachers, students and parents to become a joint community for success!

Parent Education Center teachers are providing workshops at school sites making learning be accessible and convenient!

ENGAGED PARENTS! 1st time at OMSD, PEC offered a Citizenship class, allowing our parents to take a step closer to the American Dream and become productive citizens!



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Parent leaders and district leaders being able to come to a consensus on what is best for students.

OMSD gets a visit from US Secretary of Education Miguel Cardona!

New partnerships: Arrowhead Credit Union (Financial Awareness Class), San Antonio Regional Hospital (Mental/Social Emotional)

COMMUNITY WINS!



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All 3 school sites visited the deYoung Museum to view the Jules Tavernier and the Elem Pomo Exhibit.

Native American

History courses offered on campus in partnership with Mendocino College. Native American
Clubs back to in
person meetings at
both ULHS and
ULMS.



SCHOOL DISTRICT

In-person
college tours
with our
Native
American
Clubs.

Planning steps toward our mural for the middle school.

Planned steps for on district wide cultural awareness and experience professional development.



COMMUNITY WINS!





ENGAGED PARENTS!

of our Lake
County Strong
Curriculum at
all sites.



STUDENT SUCCESS STORIES! ULMS work on our first Cultural Awareness Night.

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Continued development of parent leaders district-wide

Evolved our parent programs to meet the immediate demands of parens during pandemic Established systems provided us the opportunity to quickly shift and adapt to the rapidly changing needs of families during the pandemic.

Authentic community partnerships

We were able to provide our community with what they needed most at the time: Chromebooks, food, testing sites, vaccine clinics, etc.

ENGAGED PARENTS!

Partnered with CBO that provided immediate support to families. Some of these CBO employed some of our parent leaders.

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Continue to grow and expand our California Democracy schools in the midst of the pandemic.

Student voice stayed at the forefront of everything we did as a district.

We have grown
engagement due to
the added component
of hybrid events. This
gave parents who
typically might not
have participated an
opportunity to attend
events and stay
connected.

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parent/student voiced concerns of behavior impacting our school climate, LCAP data showed that the majority of our parents and students still felt safe at school. This was a result of

the entire AUHSD

Despite

STUDENT SUCCESS STORIES! The engagement of educational partners (students, parents, teachers, administrators and other school staff) in our LCAP process continued to grow in times when others experienced decreased

COMMUNITY WINS!

capstone was enhanced and is going to be expanded to be district-wide, one of the best examples of student voice and purpose at AUHSD.

AUSHD expanded its time of social workers to meet the increased demand for mental health support for our students and families.

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On the Family

all areas.

FREE ZONE!

Engagement Self

Reflection Tool for

Local Indicators we

ranked as a 4 or 5 in

THIS IS A HUMBLE

Trust has been built. We have a space to be transparent which lead to genuine conversations, then lead to better decisions.

Mutual respect. **Opinions** are received with respect. There's a team to collaboration to help make statements clear.

Good representation

CARE closet

KARIN have

community

donations.

and Don Lugo

received many

CHINO VALLEY

UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Humility . Civility . Service

Laura and HOPE

several Don Lugo

dresses, suits, hair,

makeup, and

tickets.

students with Prom

staff provided

Inclusive of new members who joined in 21-22



This team addresses the 6 root core causes of ineffective community

Family Engagement is included in LCAP and ESSER III plans clearly it is an interest and a focus

of our Board of Education.

first Family **Engagement Survey** district-wide that will drive parent in the future. This is likely to become an annual survey going forward.

workshops at the sites

We conducted our

engagement.

Strong Needs

Assessment

with a clear

POP as the

focus

completed

MUNITY WINS!

Informal site visit from the county that resulted in validation about the extensive parent support programs that we offer in CVUSD.

ENGAGED PARENTS!

The team that CVUSD CEI are wonderful and for the long-term initiative. They are engaged, proactive,

has put together for dedicated individuals and professional.

We saw an increase in data associated with our POP. On the K12 Insight survey, 84% of our families agreed that we provide opportunities for 2-way communication using a language that is understandable.

SUCCESS

STUDENT STORIES!

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Community **Engagement** Initiative: **Team Survey to** define baseline data **Identified first** change idea Talking Points/Simple Text



From Parent: I really enjoy the weekly parent newsletter that is sent out through text every Sunday. I learn about the week's activities and schedule of classes. I especially like that there is a link to the

ENGAGED PARENTS! SimpleTexting

From Parent: your information it's really help to the parents and students thank you so much for your Service we really appreciate it 💚 I salute

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SUHSD Parent Vision

Statement
The vision of SUHSD Parent Engagement is to create a community that offers a welcoming environment that effectively develops relationships with families through clear and consistent communication.



AIM

Increase the ongoing, authentic communication with parents, to build genuine relationships to support their

child's education

DRIVER

Sense of

Belonging

CHANGE IDEA

PD Customer Service

Regular Personalize Communication-Home Language

Cultural Understanding

Calls-Teachers/Staff Prefer methods of

Positive Phone

communication

Parents

Stakeholder Feedback Opportunities

Students

October 14, 2021 La Cosecha

December 1, 2021 La Cosecha & Padres Unidos

February 8, 2022 **SUHSD Student Engagement**

March 22, 2022 SUHSD LCAP Community

Educational Partners Engagement

Staff

March 15, 2022 November-March SVFT Site Community March 16, 2022 **Engagement Meetings** February 24

Instructional Council March 18, 2022

PD Advisory Committee March 25, 2022 CSEA

March 3, 10, 16 **Parent Advisory Committee** March 22, 2022

SUHSD LCAP Community **Educational Partners** Engagement



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ENGAGED PARENTS!

How to Communicate one-pager for our parents/families. The beginning steps in engaging them in all other areas. Meeting together regularly with this district team of parents, admin, community members, community liaisons - hearing from multiple voices and perspectives - has been wonderful and beneficial for us

#WeAreAUSD

Engaged with our other Cohort 1 districts to partner on improvement ideas for our CE AND other topics as well.

Collaboration helped our engagement and our district overall.



District partnership with the City of Azusa for summer learning programs for our students

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Doing outreach out at our Azusa Community Festivalsharing our work and recruiting parents,

On our next pop.
creating welcoming,
collaborative
communities at our
school by starting
with improved
communication.

Birth of Azusa Parent Learning Network!!

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STUDENT SUCCESS STORIES! AUSD began implementing CABE Project 2 Inspire





Recognition of Parent of the Year from each school site and a district Parent of the Year

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Parent University collaboration Community College



https://www.youtube. com/watch?v=mdqwQ 3UCrJ8 BCSD News Video

Graduated 326 Parents from Parent University in a full virtual format











STUDENT **SUCCESS** STORIES!







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Parent On a Mission, Trauma Series, Los Niños Bien Educados, Make &

Take



Project 2 Inspire Classes Zoom through



Completing our first year of African **American** Parent Meetings.

Completing our first year of Mixteco **Parent** Meetings.

continued via the entire pandemic.

agencies.

support.

Technology

Mental Health services and classes offered district wide to parents.



First time adding a second giveaway to our yearly giveaway to our yearly giveaway done in partnership with Driscolls Philanthropy group.

First year offering english Project 2 Inspire classes and as a result parents from there have joined the CEI team!

ENGAGED PARENTS!

Website analyst was hired. District website will be completely overhauled.

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Increased use of district wide texts has allowed more parents to stay informed.



Coffee with the ORC/counselor at every school site. Both in english and spanish.

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First ever parent organization ran conference at the district level.

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Successful 2nd Annual **PUSD** Showcase

Relaunch of our Parlier Adult School



Inagrual **5K Family Fun Run**

15 Parent workshops informational meetings





STUDENT **SUCCESS** STORIES!



7 Food Distribution events - over 1,100 food boxes



COMMUNITY WINS!



Introducing Financial Literacy to Kids

March 21-24

51 Success Together Parent Workshops

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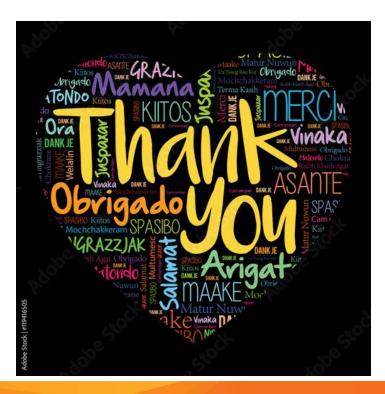








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