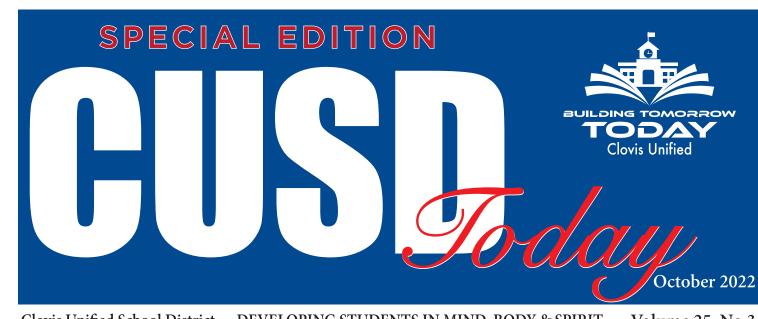
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SPIRIT







A Message from the Superintendent



You may have seen Clovis Unified employees at school, during a recent trip to the grocery store or at dinner on a Friday night sporting shirts emblazoned with the phrase "Building Tomorrow Today."

More than just a slogan for a Finear O'Brien, Ed.D. fun T-shirt, this is a philosophy to which we are holding tightly as we interact with close to 43,000 students.

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Our students truly are the future of our

Our students truly are the future of our community, and the experiences they have during their time in Clovis Unified will shape the adults they become.

Education influences our world long after the 13 years a student spends in our schools, and the quality of that experience shapes our community far into the future. Our relative success becomes reflected in economic development, public safety, home values, and tourism. And, in Clovis Unified, our responsibility to deliver quality education to support a vibrant community is never out of mind.

Our three aims keep us focused on what we have identified as the keys to maintaining high standards in our schools and for our community.

- Maximizing Achievement for ALL Students
- Increasing Efficiency and Effectiveness, and
- Hiring, Developing, Sustaining and Valuing a High Quality, Diverse Workforce

These aims are at the heart of our work to support the academic and social emotional well-being of our students, and they rely on both our incredible team of caring educators and on you, our community.

We can't do it alone. We need you. We need a community that is invested in its



schools, that cares about our challenges and our successes, and that comes alongside us in difficult times. Our kids deserve no less.

Just as we focus on the tiny details in every construction project to ensure that our school facilities (like the Terry Bradley Educational Center opening in 2025) are crafted with care and purpose, we focus education on the fine details that make the difference between mediocre and high quality education.

In the following pages, you will find our Community Report that provides just a few of the many highlights from our past school year. This special edition of *CUSD Today* is provided to every address in our boundary as a way to share stories and data that illustrate the return on your tax dollars invested in Clovis Unified and in your local schools.

By working together and staying focused on executing our three aims with quality, we are committed to building tomorrow today in our classrooms across every one of our 52 campuses. I invite you to be our partners in creating a bright future for our 43,000+ children and for our community that we all call home.

Einear O'Brien, Ed.D.

2021-22 Celebrations

- 2 National Blue Ribbon School Awards to Granite Ridge Intermediate and Woods Elementary
- 2 California Honor Roll Schools
- 11 Bonner Character Awards
- 8 State Civic Learning Awards
- 18 PBIS Coalition Awards
- 28 California Pivotal Practice Awards
- 2 Fresno County Educator of the Year Awards to Cole Elementary teacher Sherri Johnson and Clovis West High student relations liaison Richard Delgado
- 2 State Athletic Team Titles;
 11 State Individual Champions;
 21 Valley Titles; 24 League Titles
- 6 Consecutive State Wrestling Championship Titles for Buchanan High
- 12 Band of America Member Selections for the New Year's Day 2022 Rose Parade to band students from Clovis, Clovis East, Clovis North and Clovis West high schools
- 24 Consecutive ASBO Meritorious Budget Awards, the longest streak for any district in California

S7.2% CUSD 2022 GRADUATION RATE 42,699 STUDENTS

WHO WE ARE

Clovis Unified is more than its name implies. Our **200-square-mile boundary** includes most of Clovis, 20 percent of Fresno

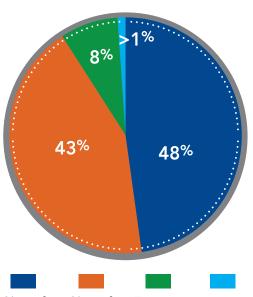
and a small portion of unincorporated Fresno County. We work in partnership

with three local governments and multiple law enforcement agencies.

We strive to make a positive impact in the

communities in which our schools are located by offering high-quality education to children; well-kept facilities that enhance neighborhoods and add to property values; and top venues to draw large regional, state and national events to the area that support local economies.

WHERE OUR STUDENTS LIVE



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OUR VISION: To be America's benchmark for excellence in education



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Clovis Community College is committed to diversity, equity, and inclusion.



Clovis Unified at a Glance

Our Vision: To be America's benchmark for excellence in education.

97.2% Graduation Rate

42,699 **Students**





Comprehensive **Schools**



Specialty Schools

Students Say

84% Teachers want me to succeed. 93% If I work hard, I know I can improve.

Parents Say

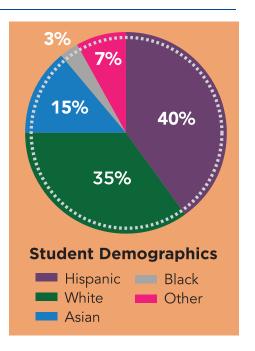
96% Schools provide a quality education that promotes academic student success.

96% Buildings and grounds are well maintained.

Employees Say

85% Proud to work for Clovis Unified.

86% Schools are a safe and secure learning environment.





in scholarships awarded to graduating **Clovis Unified** seniors in 2021-22

Clovis Unified State Test Scores

Prior to the pandemic, Clovis Unified student state test scores represented: 1st in English/language art and 2nd in math scores out of the Top 20 Largest School District's in California.

During the pandemic, state testing was halted. It resumed in Spring 2022 for grades 3-8 and 11. Individual scores have been shared with

California Department of Education will release schools, districts. counties and state scores later this year. For updates, visit the CDE website at:



15th **Largest District in California**

Students qualify as foster youth, 49.3% **English learner and/or** socio-economically disadvantaged

\$572M General Fund

Sources for this publication: California Department of Education, 2021-22 SART Survey, 2021-22 Climate Survey, 2021-22 Student Survey, CUSD LCAP. LEARN MORE: CUSD.COM

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Construction Zone

Last year and into the summer, more than 60 construction projects were in motion across the district. Key projects completed or currently underway include:

- District Soccer Complex at Clovis East, development, bleachers, snack bar, bathooms and scoreboard. In progress.
- Clovis West High new academic wing. Completed.
- Clovis Unified Aquatics Center at Clovis West, home to the CIF State Swimming & Diving Championships, full renovation. In progress.
- Complex at Fowler and Herndon avenues for Clovis Online School and Special Education Administration. In progress.
- Dry Creek Elementary new academic wing and new administration office. Completed.
- Lockdown automation for unmanned doors at all schools. In progress.
- Mercedes Edwards Theatre on Clark Intermediate campus, updates and addition. In progress.
- New Farm & Food Product Facility at McFarlane-Coffman Agriculture Center at Clovis East High featuring food preparation and floral labs, farmers market facility and walk-in refrigeration. Completed.
- New Video Production Lab at Buchanan High featuring editing bays, green rooms and learning spaces. Completed.
- Shade structures covering every elementary school's playground. In progress.

buildings, grounds are well cared for. 🦼

New Schools Coming

- Clovis Unified's 35th elementary school is under design and will break ground this school year. Located at McKinley and Fowler avenues, it will include cutting-edge technology and team environments. (Opening 2024)
- Plans for the Terry Bradley Educational Center, future home to Clovis Unified's sixth high school and sixth intermediate school in the southeast



area of our district, are also in motion. The Ed Center will feature the newest design features and collaborative spaces for engaging lesson experiences. A student activities center is planned for the campus to be used by all of the district, offering space and flexible seating of up to 5,500 for everything from student leadership conferences to large-scale curricular competitions like robotics or science fair. (Grades 7-9 opening 2025.)

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- **97.2%** graduation rate
- **96%** of parents say their child's school provides a quality education.
- Secondary campuses provide academic counselors, tutoring and college and career centers.

 Other resources are offered through Supplemental Services and Special Education departments
- **84%** of students say their teachers care if they do well in school.
- Clovis Unified high schools have 29

 Advanced Placement classes that provide students college level instruction. 4,638 AP tests were taken by Clovis Unified students for college credit with a passage rate of 70%.
- Every elementary school library has a reading room. Students also have access to computer labs and VR headsets for virtual exploration and learning of far-away places.
- **21 Career Technical Education** (CTE) pathways are offered, including patient care, education, farming, construction and engineering. 3,705 students are enrolled.

Passage rate of 4,638
AP tests taken by Clovis
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■ Physical Education is included in students' class schedules every year through high

STUDENTS SAY
THEY PARTICIPATE IN
SCHOOL ATHLETICS

4.75 million meals

school.

served to students. Clovis Unified Campus Catering plans nutritious meals, makes its own bread and muffins from scratch and uses fresh farm-grown local and state produce.

- Schools offer a wide range of sports, starting in fourth grade. About 70% of students say they participate in school athletic teams.
- At each high school, Unified Sports are offered where general and special education athletes compete together in league play.
- 83% of students say they feel like they are a part of their school.
- Keeping our students safe is a priority, and Clovis Unified has 16 sworn police officers who are POST Police Officer Standards and Training certified. There is a dedicated officer on each secondary campus and a team of officers serving elementary schools. Extensive safety plans are in place at every site.



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- 87% of parents say schools have a positive environment.
- 93% of students say they can get help at school when they need it.
- Clovis Unified has a pro-active Wellness
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 (PBIS), Behavior Consultation Team (BCT),
 Multi-Tiered Systems of Support, Transition
 Team, Community Behavior Partnership
 with All 4 Youth and Comprehensive Youth
 Services, Suicide Prevention and SocialEmotional Support Providers.
- **Diversity** is celebrated at each campus through classroom lessons, multi-cultural festivals and heritage clubs. The district holds annual leadership conferences spotlighting African-American, Asian and Latino mentors.
- Three out of four students say they are involved in extra school activities such as sports, drama, band, dance, science fair, robotics and clubs.
- 3,176 soprano recorders and curriculum were purchased for fourth graders who all study music.



Our 4-year-old transitional kindergarteners, who follow a typical academic path, will graduate from college in the year 2040!

Quite literally, our community's future leaders, decisions-makers and contributors are sitting in our classrooms right now. We do not take this responsibility lightly

Clovis Unified intentionally hires and develops teachers who are caring and committed to providing an exemplary education to our students, and we challenge our entire staff (6,000-plus!) to use their area of expertise to make a positive impact on our

students' lives

Whether it is a bus driver warmly welcoming a child each morning, a librarian building a robust literary collection or a buyer ensuring supplies arrive on time, every member of our team shares the same goal to do the best we can for our kids.

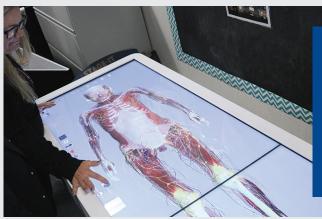
We believe by putting students first, we are paving the way for them to become successful today — and tomorrow — in mind, body and spirit!



INNOVATION & INSPIRATION: Our Child Development Expanded Learning Opportunities Program developed a brand new program this year that will bring a deeper-dive into art lessons for TK and kindergarten students. ELOP instructors will have immersive sessions at the Fresno Art Museum, viewing the exhibitions and holding discussions, that will then result in engaging lessons for students to tap into their artistic creativity. Our team's innovative concept found supporting partners in the museum and Fresno County Office of Education.

SPOTTING THE POTENTIAL: Passionate teachers, like Buchanan High's video instructor Dan Pearce, help their students to aim high, to challenge themselves and to give their best efforts on their projects. The fruitful rewards result in successful collaborations, increased learning, and in the case of Pearce's students, 10 Emmy Awards this past year from the Northern California Chapter of the National Academy of Television and Science! Yep, those Emmys. "I can't wait to see what their future holds," he said.





TECHNOLOGY TOOLS: Prioritizing state-of-the-art learning means our educational team looks for opportunities to bring cutting-edge technology to our students, like the Anatomage tables that arrived this year. Our CTE department pursued and successfully received grant funds for these medical-school-level virtual dissection tables that will let our healthcare students learn anatomy, diseases and a variety of lessons from 3D, touchscreen images of the human body.

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Foundation for Clovis Schools Annual Report

Community donors, volunteers impact lives of students and educators

Why a Foundation for Clovis Schools

Clovis Unified must do more with less. In the 2021-22 school year, the district's per-student funding was an average of \$2,610 lower than any other district in Fresno County. That represents \$108 million less funds that could have benefited kids in the classroom with programs, materials and curriculum.

The Foundation for Clovis Schools exists to help bridge this funding gap. It is a dedicated group of 15 volunteer board members who raise dollars through the generosity of community members and businesses in order to provide ways for Clovis Unified educators



to continue innovating and students to continue pursuing their dreams.

2021-22 Funding Per Student

Clovis Unified*

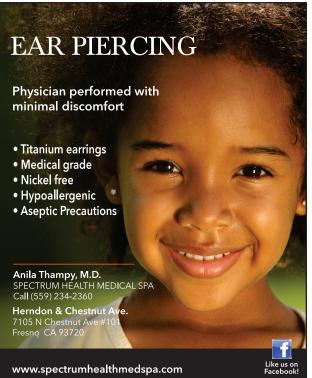
\$9,975

Fresno County Average

\$12,585

*Clovis Unified does not meet the state's 55% criteria of qualifying students to receive certain funds, even though the district has 49.3% – some 21,000 students – who are economically disadvantaged, foster youth or English learners.





2021-22 Foundation Highlights

33 CLASSROOM, SCHOOL AND EMOTIONAL WELLNESS GRANTS

Awarded \$200,065 to support innovative projects that help teachers engage and enhance student learning and experiences.

147 NEW TEACHER GRANTS

Presented a total of \$29,220 to new 2021-22 teachers to help prepare their classrooms to be vibrant environments for students.

16 STUDENTS OF PROMISE SCHOLARSHIPS

Encouraged 16 remarkable 11th graders to pursue their goals with a scholarship upon enrollment into post-secondary education, totaling \$32,000.

130 LEADERSHIP ACADEMY ATTENDEES

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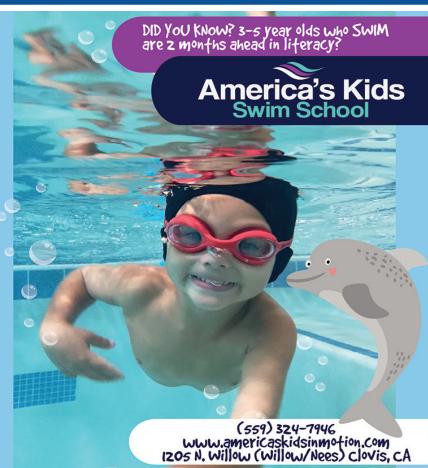


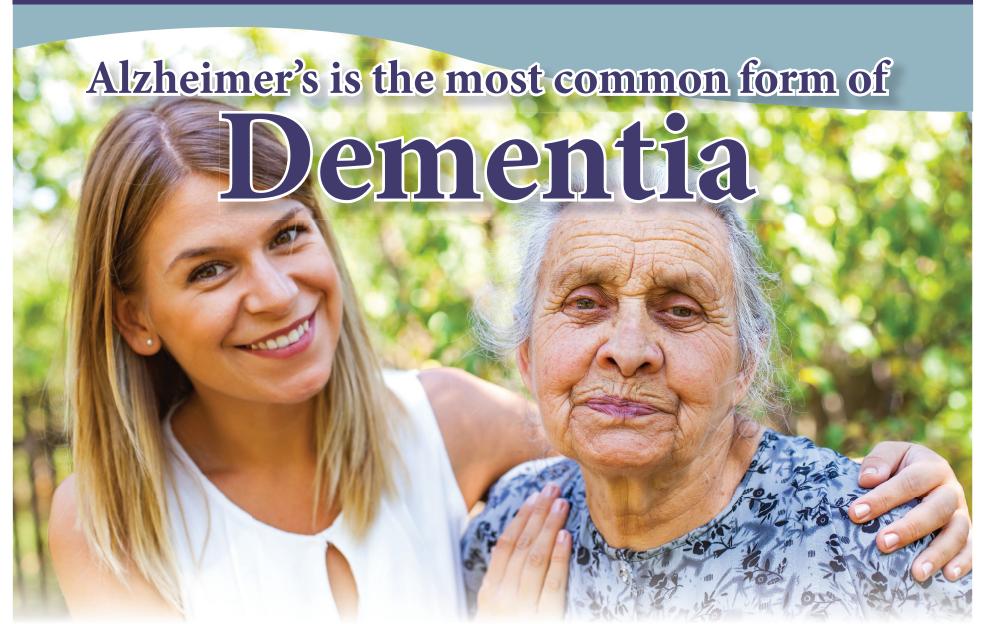
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