

# Your Compton Unified School District

# **Elevating Education and Opportunity**

"We want the entire community to know how well our students are doing in Compton and to share in our excitement about where we are going as a district. We are elevating in every way and our students are proof of that. We believe that every child can achieve greatness and success – right here in Compton."

— Dr. Darin Brawley, Compton Unified School District Superintendent











# **Today's** Compton **Unified School** District

Compton Unified School District is located in the south-central region of Los Angeles County, California, CUSD encompasses the city of Compton and portions of the cities of Carson and Los Angeles. The district currently serves nearly 24,000 students at 36 sites and has emerged from a dramatic turnaround, marked by increases in student achievement rates, a graduation rate nearing 90%, facilities improvements, and a focus on STEAM throughout all schools.

# **OUR MISSION**

The mission of the Compton Unified School District is to empower leaders to lead, teachers to teach, and students to learn by fostering an environment that encourages leaders and teachers to be visionary, innovative, and accountable for the achievement of all students.

# **OUR GOALS**

- Promote a safe and healthy environment in every school
- Provide equal education for every child
- Ensure that every child has access to technological opportunities
- Continue to maintain high expectations and high student achievement, and hold personnel accountable for student success
- Improve team efforts by enhancing communications and collaboration
- Embrace and celebrate the diversity of our district
- Build, foster, and promote partnerships with parents and the community
- Maintain facilities; plan and promote capital improvements

# **OUR BELIEFS**

- We believe all students will learn at higher levels
- We believe schools have an enormous impact on children's lives
- We believe that all children shall be educated in a safe and orderly environment
- We believe all children will reach their learning potential and that the achievement gap can be eliminated



# **CUSD AT A GLANCE**

- 24.000 students
- > 36 school sites
- > 2.800 Teachers
- Early Education, Elementary, Middle, & High Schools
- 86% Graduation Rate  $\mathbf{>}$
- **22 Advanced Placement (AP) courses**  $\mathbf{>}$
- Access to college-level classes
- > Arts partnership with leading entertainment companies
- Internship opportunities
- Award-winning athletics and music programs  $\mathbf{>}$
- Robotics and coding programs at all schools

# **Our Schools**

# **ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS**

**Anderson Elementary School** 2210 East 130th Street Compton, CA 90220 www.aes-compton-ca.schoolloop.com (310) 898-6110

**Bunche Elementary School** 16223 South Haskins Lane Carson, CA 90746 www.rbes-compton-ca.schoolloop.com (310) 898-6120

**Bursch Elementary School** 2505 West 156th Street Compton, CA 90220 www.cbes-compton-ca.schoolloop.com (310) 898-6130

**Carver Elementary School** 1425 East 120th Street Los Angeles, CA 90059 www.gwces-compton-ca.schoolloop.com (310) 898-6150

**Clinton Elementary School** 6500 Compton Boulevard Compton, CA 90221 www.wjces-compton-ca.schoolloop.com (562) 630-7912

**Dickison Elementary School** 905 North Aranbe Avenue Compton, CA 90220 www.des-compton-ca.schoolloop.com (310) 898-6160

**Emerson Elementary School** 1011 East Caldwell Street Compton, CA 90221 www.rwees-compton-ca.schoolloop.com (310) 898-6170

**Foster Elementary School** 1620 North Pannes Street Compton, CA 90221 www.fes-compton-ca.schoolloop.com (310) 898-6180

**Jefferson Elementary School** 2508 East 133rd Street Compton, CA 90222 www.tjes-compton-ca.schoolloop.com (310) 898-6190

**Kelly Elementary School** 2320 East Alondra Boulevard Compton, CA 90221 www.kles-compton-ca.schoolloop.com (310) 898-6410



McKinley Elementary School 14431 South Sanford Avenue Compton, CA 90220 www.mes-compton-ca.schoolloop.com

(310) 898-6320 **McNair Elementary School** 1450 West El Segundo Boulevard Compton, CA 90221 www.rmnes-compton-ca.schoolloop.com (310) 898-6330

### **Kennedy Elementary School**

1305 South Oleander Compton, CA 90220 www.rkes-compton-ca.schoolloop.com (310) 898-6420

**King Elementary** 2270 East 122nd Street Compton, CA 90222 www.kes-compton-ca.schoolloop.com (310) 898-6430

Laurel Street Elementary School

1321 West Laurel Street Compton, CA 90220 www.lses-compton-ca.schoolloop.com (310) 898-6440

**Longfellow Elementary School** 

1101 South Dwight Street Compton, CA 90220 www.lfes-compton-ca.schoolloop.com (310) 898-6460

**Mayo Elementary School** 915 North Mayo Avenue

Compton, CA 90221 www.ames-compton-ca.schoolloop.com (310) 898-6310

**Roosevelt Elementary School** 

700 North Bradfield Avenue Compton, CA 90221 www.rves-compton-ca.schoolloop.com (310) 898-6350

**Rosecrans Elementary School** 

1301 North Acacia Street Compton, CA 90222 www.rces-compton-ca.schoolloop.com (310) 898-6360

**Tibby Elementary School** 

1400 West Poplar Street Compton, CA 90220 www.ates-compton-ca.schoolloop.com (310) 898-6370

Washington Elementary

1421 North Wilmington Avenue Compton, CA 90222 www.gwes-compton-ca.schoolloop.com (310) 898-6390

#### **MIDDLE SCHOOLS**

#### **Bunche Middle School**

12338 South Mona Boulevard Compton, CA 90222 www.bms-compton-ca.schoolloop.com (310) 898-6010

**Davis Middle School** 

621 West Poplar Street Compton, CA 90220 www.dms-compton-ca.schoolloop.com (310) 898-6020

#### Enterprise Middle School

2600 West Compton Boulevard Compton, CA 90220 www.ems-compton-ca.schoolloop.com (310) 898-6030

### **Roosevelt Middle School**

1200 East Alondra Boulevard Compton, CA 90221 www.rms-compton-ca.schoolloop.com (310) 898-6040

#### Walton Middle School

900 West Greenleaf Drive Compton, CA 90220 www.wams-compton-ca.schoolloop.com (310) 898-6060

#### Whalev Middle School

14401 South Gibson Avenue Compton, CA 90220 www.whma-compton-ca.schoolloop.com (310) 898-6070

### Willowbrook Middle School

2601 North Wilmington Avenue Compton, CA 90222 www.wims-compton-ca.schoolloop.com (310) 604-2706

### **HIGH SCHOOLS**

#### **Centennial High School**

2606 North Central Compton, CA 90222 www.cehs-compton-ca.schoolloop.com (310) 635-2715

#### **Compton High School**

601 South Acacia Avenue Compton, CA 90220 www.chs-compton-ca.schoolloop.com (310) 635-3881

#### **Dominguez High School**

15301 South San Jose Avenue Compton, CA 90221 www.dhs-compton-ca.schoolloop.com (562) 630-0142

#### **Compton Early College HS**

2601 North Wilmington Avenue Compton, CA 90222 www.cechs-compton-ca.schoolloop.com (310) 604-2706

# **Compton Unified School District — Elevating Education**

# **#ELEVATE ACADEMICS**

Under the leadership of Superintendent Dr. Darin Brawley, the Compton Unified School District has emerged from a dramatic turnaround. Our schools have undergone transformation marked by a significant increase in student achievement rates, a graduation rate nearing 90%, facilities improvements, and a focus on STEM throughout all schools.

This is just the start of Compton's success story. We're continuing to #elevate academics throughout every school in the district setting the bar high for student achievement.

# **Project Based Learning**

CUSD schools are committed to providing an equitable education for all students by providing personalized classroom settings that support Project Based Learning. In order to provide more equitable outcomes, Compton Unified developed a blended learning classroom model that combines personalized learning using adaptive computer programs with real world learning opportunities through problem solving found in PBL. This model, **Data Driven Blended Learning +PBL**, is designed to embrace the diversity of all Compton students including our high percentage of ELL students, and provides innovations in support of equity and transforms learning for all students.

# **Digital Promise – League of Innovative Schools**

Digital Promise's League of Innovative Schools connects and rallies the most forward-thinking leaders of the nation's school districts. Since 2016, CUSD has been honored to be one of the League members that represent 102 districts and 33 states, and their experiences reflect the diversity and shared challenges of public education in America. By working together on shared priorities – and partnering with leading entrepreneurs, researchers, and education leaders – League districts pioneer innovative learning and leadership practices that lead to improved outcomes for students and that prepare them to compete at the highest level in the global marketplace.

## **Project Lead the Way**

Project Lead the Way (PLTW) provides innovative programming in computer science, engineering, and biomedical science that can be found district-wide. These classes, which emphasize hands-on activities, projects, and problems, provide students with the opportunity to solve real-world challenges that empower them to be innovators and impact the world around them. Compton USD middle schools have PLTW Gateway courses like *Biomedical Detectives, Automation and Robotics, Design and Modeling,* and *Computer Science for Innovators*. High schools offer complete pathways that include PLTW courses in *Aerospace Engineering, Biomedical Technology, Civil Engineering & Architecture,* and *Robotics*. Finally, PLTW Launch programs are being developed in elementary schools as students in those schools are introduced to engineering, computer science, and biomedical science at early grades, preparing them to be the technology leaders of tomorrow.

## Apple Partnership – Apple ConnectED Grant

The partnership with Apple commenced in 2014 when five Compton schools (Bursch, Carver, Jefferson, Kelly and Walton Middle) received the ConnectED grant. Apple donated an iPad to every student to provide them access to technology in the classroom. In addition, Apple has provided ongoing planning and professional learning, so all five schools can experience the transformational power of technology. After the conclusion of the grant, Apple has continued its partnership with Compton schools by hosting professional learning opportunities at the local Apple store and participating in the Everyone Can Code events during Computer Science Education Week.

## **Verizon Innovative Learning Schools Grant**

Compton Unified School District gamered the Verizon Innovative Learning Grant for four middles schools: Bunche, Davis, Enterprise and Roosevelt. This grant provided 1.8 million to the district by providing these schools with iPads for each student, free internet access, and hands-on learning experiences to help increase STEM education for students. Powered by a next-gen, technology-infused curriculum that fundamentally changes the way teachers teach and students learn,

Verizon Innovative Learning gave Compton students the ability to do more in this world. To achieve more. To learn more. To create more.

COMPTON SCHOOLS





# **#ELEVATE THE ARTS**

Arts Education is key to developing critical thinking, fostering creativity, increasing motivation for school, and improving academic achievement. CUSD has made a commitment to provide every student who attends our schools access to high quality arts education. From our nationally-renowned, award-winning high school band programs to our Elementary School Meet the Masters curriculum, Compton Unified unleashes the power of art to transform our students' lives.

Music Unites: Music Unites Academies at three of our campuses provide music instruction and exposure to professionals in the music industry.

Turnaround Arts: Compton USD is proud to be the home of 4 of only 27 Turnaround Arts schools in California. This program helps schools integrate arts into every student's curriculum.

Meet the Masters: Every elementary school in the district exposes students to history's greatest artists and lets students develop their own artistic skills.

Education Through Music - LA: Provides music as a core subject on four CUSD elementary school campuses.

Capitol Records: The unique Bonus Tracks program at Dominguez High School is the only program in the nation connecting high school students with music industry executives to educate and prepare the students to be the next wave of innovative music industry leaders.

Other Arts Education Partners include:

- Los Angeles County Museum of Art
- Young Musicians Foundation
- LA County Arts Collective
- Compton Conservatory of Music

# **#ELEVATE TECHNOLOGY**

CUSD provides quality Science Technology Engineering and Math (STEM) programs at all school sites from kindergarten through high school, including award-winning robotics, engineering, and computer science. Our goal is to prepare students for the high-tech, high-demand jobs of the 21st century. Each student at over 30 of our school sites is provided Chromebooks/iPads for academic use.

# **STEM Partners and Programs:**

- Apple
- ConnectEd
- Discovery Education
- FIRST LEGO League
- FIRST LEGO League, Junior

# **#ELEVATE CIVIC LEADERSHIP**

Compton Unified believes that we must prepare, educate, and inspire young people to be engaged and responsible participants in our community and in our democratic society. We do this by combining community service opportunities with the Social Studies curriculum. Students are leading initiatives tackling problems such as homelessness, hunger, and literacy.

The district-wide "Day of Dialogue" on gun safety in response to school shootings distinguished CUSD from the student walkouts around the country. Additionally, our debate teams and Junior State of America clubs connect students from all over the region to discuss controversial issues in an informed, enlightened, and tolerant environment.

### **Civic partnerships and programs:**

- Jefferson Awards Foundation Junior State of America
- Team Kids
- Girls Build LA

- Watts/Willowbrook
- Conservatory of Music
- Theatre of Hearts
- City Hearts
- Artsworks LA
- PS Arts

- 24th Street Theatre
- Hands On Arts
- DEA Youth Dance
- Symphonic Jazz Orchestra
- Colburn School of Performing Arts

- FIRST Tech Challenge
- Girls Who Code
- League of Innovative Schools
- LEGO Education
- Mathematics Engineering Science Achievement (MESA)
- Project Lead the Way
- Verizon Innovative Learning Schools
- Vex Robotics

- ProCon.org
- LA County Registrar of Voters
- Democracy Schools
- California Judicial Council Awards
- WE Day

# **#ELEVATE COLLEGE GOING CULTURE**

We ensure that students are academically, financially, and socially fit for college. Academically, we work to ensure students complete the A-G courses required for college and provide students with Advanced Placement, College Courses, extra years of Math, Science etc. Financially, we support our students and families to complete FAFSA and Cal Grant forms and take advantage of federal and state money and scholarship opportunities. Socially, we expose students to college tours, college fairs, and College Fly-In programs.

# **College Ready Programs:**

- FREE Pre-College Testing: Pre-SAT, Pre-ACT, SAT/ACT, Free test prep
- College Funding: FAFSA, Cal Grant, Scholarships, Award Letter Review
- College Advising: UC Irvine EAOP, CSULB & Compton College Upward Bound, ETS, Cal Soap, USC College Advising
- Compton Promise: Enrollment Fees Waived at Compton College
- Scholarship Opportunities
- Avid: College Readiness Class
- International Baccalaureate (IB)
- CCGI Platform: College & Career Lessons

# **Advanced Placement & College Classes**

- Over 23 Advanced Placement (AP) Classes Offered
- International Baccalaureate (IB)
- Free College Classes During Day and After School

## Spotlight on Compton Early College High School

Students who attend Compton Early College High School (CECHS) are enrolled to earn a high school diploma, and up to 2 years of college course work completed through our partner, Compton College. CECHS offers Honors, Advanced Placement and college prep programs and is a recipient of the Jefferson Service Award for student and teacher-led projects that impact the world. To that end, CECHS earned the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) full accreditation based on "outstanding programs, leadership and learning environments."

# **#ELEVATE CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

CUSD's high schools offer a blend of traditional and high-tech career pathways trainings and internships for students. Our partnership with Compton College enables us to offer courses in specific career fields.

## **Career Ready Programs/Pathways:**

- Aerospace Engineering (Compton HS)
- Auto Tech (Centennial HS, Dominguez HS)
- Biotechnology (Dominguez HS)
- Certified Nursing Assistant (Centennial HS, Compton HS, Dominguez HS)
- Civil Engineering & Architecture (Dominguez HS)
- Communication (Centennial HS)
- Computer Animation (Compton HS)
- Computer Science (Compton HS, Dominguez HS, Early College HS)
- Culinary Arts (Centennial HS, Compton HS, Dominguez HS)
- Drafting (Compton HS)
- Education (Centennial HS)
- Robotics (Centennial HS)
- Video Production (Compton HS)









# **#ELEVATE STUDENT WELLBEING**

To ensure that all students are learning ready, CUSD established the Wellness Initiative to address the academic, social emotional, attendance, and behavioral needs of students. The pillars of the Wellness Initiative are:

- District-wide Positive Behavior Interventions Supports (PBIS)
- Trauma Informed Support Services

for staff

- Anti-bullying and the Kindness Initiative

## **Upstander Antibullying Movement**

An Upstander is a courageous, action oriented, and compassionate student leader who stands up against bullying. Upstanders promote respect of self, respect of others, and respect of the environment. By joining the Upstander Movement, the students of CUSD can take action to reduce or prevent bullying by coming to the aid of a child being bullied and by showing them kindness.

Brim is our new state-of-the art anti-bullying application that allows all stakeholders to report any bullying concerns anonymously through an online web-based system or by text message.

"My Buddy Benches" is an elementary school program to address student isolation and loneliness. The My Buddy Bench is a safe space for children to find a buddy/classmate with whom to eat lunch, talk, and play.

#### **Support for Foster Youth and Homeless Students**

CUSD is dedicated and proud to serve our foster, probation, and homeless youth population. Our Child Welfare and Attendance Department has dedicated staff to assist each student and their parent/guardian or caregiver to increase: attendance, academic success, mental health, and other services leading to the ultimate accomplishment of a CUSD High School Diploma. Foster/Probation/Homeless Youth supports:

- Immediate enrollment
- School placement and counseling services
- Free uniforms, back packs, and
- school supplies

# **#ELEVATE STUDENT SAFETY**

The Compton Unified School District (CUSD) is committed to ensuring our schools and offices are healthy and nurturing places where every student is encouraged and supported. Our goal is to promote an environment that is respectful, and where relationships are genuine among parents, children, teachers, and staff.

School Police: CUSD is one of sixteen California school districts out of the more than one thousand school districts in the state to have its own police department dedicated to serving and protecting the CUSD community.

The Compton School Police Department is a full-service law enforcement agency that operates 24/7 and our officers are general authority California peace officers empowered under Penal Code 830.32 to provide comprehensive law enforcement services. Our motto is proudly emblazoned on our Police Department patch and vehicles, "Dedicated to Safe Education." School police services include:

- School Resource Officers (SRO) stationed at the 4 high schools
- Uniformed patrol services around the clock to serve the entire District
- Traffic officers who ensure the safety of students as they arrive and leave schools, as well as provide safety
- pedestrian traffic Campus Security Assistants at all school sites
- education and outreach

Additionally, CUSDPD is committed to working closely with the numerous law enforcement organizations and government agencies that contribute toward our mission of providing the best service possible to the CUSD community.

For more information, please see our website at www.compton.k12.ca.us/departments/school-police/home

prosecution

**Restorative Justice:** Compton Unified School District is committed to stopping the school to prison pipeline. Compton youths deserve compassion and a chance to succeed in life, and should expect nothing less than our full support.

To achieve that goal, the Compton School Police Department partnered with Centinela Youth Services (CYS) in 2014 to provide pre-arrest diversion services at no cost to youths and their families. Compton School Police Department was the 1st school-based law enforcement agency to partner with CYS in Los Angeles County.

As proof of our success, the Compton School Police Department received the 2017 Superstar Award for Excellence from the Los Angeles County Juvenile Arrest Diversion Program (JADP). Please see the video below for more information: www.youtube.com/watch?v=WX666o5E2m8.

- Field trips
- Free transportation Tutors and mentors Access to funding assistance

- School based character education
- High quality crisis intervention
- District-wide trauma support training
- Trauma mitigation for students
- School-based wellness centers on each comprehensive high school campus
- Clinical social worker staff

UPWard Bound Housing Program (shelters, low cost housing, employment opportunities and other resources for homeless students)

- Crossing guards at various sites to help
- Detective Bureau which investigates crime and prepares cases for
- Various safety trainings to students. families, and community on topics such as Active Shooter, Emergency Disaster Response, and Human Trafficking Awareness/Prevention
- Community outreach efforts, including the Annual Christmas Toy Giveaway, Town Halls, and Annual Charity Softball Game



# **Compton Unified School District**

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For a comprehensive list of contact information, please visit www.compton.k12.ca.us/district/contacts/contacts

# **Enrollment Information**

# Enrolling All Grades Now Available Online: www.compton.k12.ca.us/district/enrollment/registration

The Compton Unified Internet Registration System allows you to quickly start the process of registering a student for school. Information about the student such as emergency contacts, medical and language information will be collected. Upon completion, the student's information is electronically sent to the New Student Orientation Center (NSOC).

# **Pupil Services Department**

417 W. Alondra Blvd., Compton, CA 90220 Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM Any questions, please call (310) 639-4321, ext. 63048, or 63026, 63207, 63008.