

# YUBA CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

*Educating Today's Students To Succeed In Tomorrow's World*

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## STAFF SUCCESS

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## COMMUNICATION and OUTREACH

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## **Strategic Plan for Yuba City Unified School District**

**Student Success:** Yuba City Unified School District provides a rigorous and comprehensive program to ensure success for all students as they transition to graduation and beyond.

- College eligibility for YCUSD students, as measured by A to G requirements, will meet or exceed the state average by June 2011.
  - College eligibility for YCUSD students, as measure by A to G requirements will increase from 20% to 25 % by June 2009.
  - College eligibility for YCUSD students, as measure by A to G requirements will increase to 30% by June 2010.
  
- YCUSD ADA will increase annually in all grades at all schools.
  - The YCUSD drop out rate, currently at .4% for eighth graders will decrease by .1% each year in 2009, 2010, and 2011.
  - The YCUSD drop out rate for ninth graders, currently 2.8%, will decrease by .5% each year in 2009, 2010, and 2011.
  
- By the end of third grade, YCUSD students will improve English Language Arts proficiency as demonstrated by increasing proficiency on the California Standards Test to:
  - 56% proficiency by September 2009
  - 63% proficiency by September 2010
  - 70% proficiency by September 2011
  
- By 2011, YCUSD will narrow the achievement gap for English Language Learners and Special Needs students and improve their academic performance in the areas of English Language Arts and math.
  - YCUSD English Language Learners will achieve the performance target set by No Child Left Behind for 2009, 2010, and 2011.
  - YCUSD Students with Special Needs will achieve the performance target set by No Child Left Behind for 2009, 2010, and 2011.
  
- YCUSD will increase program options for all students by creating a minimum of six career pathways by June 2011.
  - YCUSD will develop two career pathways by June 2009.
  - YCUSD will develop four career pathways by June 2010.
  
- Fifth, seventh, and ninth grade YCUSD students will improve fitness as demonstrated by increasing proficiency on the PE Fitness assessment:
  - to 65% proficiency by September 2009
  - to 70% proficiency by September 2010
  - to 75% proficiency by September 2011

**Communication and Outreach:** Yuba City Unified School District provides continuous methods of communication that sustain an ongoing connection with and involvement of the public with a clear focus on improving student achievement.

- Parents of YCUSD students will have online access to student attendance, grades, and class information by June 2011.
  - June 2009- 50% of YCUSD grade 6-12 parents will have the opportunity for online access to student attendance, grades, and class information.
  - June 2010- 75% of YCUSD grade 6-12 parents will have the opportunity for online access to student attendance, grades, and class information.
- The YCUSD website will provide access to the community about events, information and links to related websites by June of 2009.
  - By December 2008, the district will develop a checklist of expected content for school webpages and 50% of schools will meet the expectations.
  - By June 2009, 100% of schools will meet the expectations.
- By June of 2009, the district will average one parent outreach activity per each month of the school year. (Those will include parent universities, community forums on specific topics, and other events that give parents the opportunity to give input or gain knowledge related to post secondary success, student safety, relationship building, etc. to assist with the social, emotional, and/or academic success.)

**Student Support:** Yuba City Unified School District provides safe, modernized, and student centered support systems that promote the physical and cognitive development of our students.

- Design and implement district-wide and site specific plans to promote world class facilities to guide capital improvement recommendations and maximize the use of available resources in support of the district's educational plan.
  - MP room at Bridge Street School. Completion date: August 2008
  - Create enclosed classrooms to replace the open floor plan at Bridge Street School. Completion date: August 2009
- We will ensure that utilization and allocation of resources (staffing, funding, budget, facilities, technology, etc) are in alignment with the mission and goals of our district.
  - Upgrade Tierra Buena's kitchen and service lines. Completion date: August 2009
- Implement and regularly update the district's technology plan to integrate technology in support of learning, teaching and operational management of processes.

- Bringing video capability to each school with operational “demo” classes at each site. Completion date: September 2008
- Ability to learn via remote video access (distant learning). Completion date: December 2008
- Ensure cohesive, coordinated, crisis response by the district to any emergency through the development and implementation of a training program for all stakeholders in the Standardized Emergency Management System (SEMS) and the National Incident Management System (NIMS).
  - In conjunction with a safety consultant provided through the Sutter County (REMS) Grant, evaluate and modify the current SEMS/NIMS procedures in our district and coordinate with city and county services as they relate to school emergencies. Completion date: December 2008
  - Year 2: Commence training program for all staff throughout the district on the SEMS/NIMS procedures. Completion date: December 2008

**Staff Success:**

- Yuba City Unified School District attracts and develops top quality professionals focused on student success.
  - The District will recruit and retain a high quality and diverse staff.
  - A prominent criterion for selecting an employee will be the candidate’s ability to improve student success.
  - The YCUSD will annually meet the California and Federal staff qualification mandates.
  - The YCUSD will communicate all job vacancies in a manner that will ensure maximum visibility.
- The District will provide targeted and continuous Staff Development opportunities for all employees
  - The YCUSD will increase the number of employees who participate in a staff development program designed to address instructional excellence. By June 2011, all staff will be trained
  - The YCUSD will provide access to high quality professional development, to all teachers, classified staff, administrators and the Board.
  - The YCUSD will provide access to leadership opportunities in order to enable teachers to exercise greater leadership without entirely leaving the classroom and to serve as means to develop aspiring leaders from among our staff.
- By June of 2009, YCUSD will develop and utilize a valid, reliable, and calibrated system for performance evaluation for all employees, driven by objective measures of student achievement and school/district goals.