## GOALS FOR THE SCHOOL DISTRICT

The district shall provide for the educational, personal and career needs of its students by meeting the following goals:

- 1. All students will demonstrate competency in challenging subject matter, including language arts, mathematics, science, social science and the arts.
- 2. All students will demonstrate an understanding of and an appreciation for human diversity.
- 3. All students will demonstrate attributes of responsible citizenship, including the ability to solve problems individually and in cooperation with others.
- 4. All students will demonstrate conversational ability in a second language.
- 5. All graduates will have a clear career orientation and marketable skill, and/or, be well prepared to experience success in an institution of higher learning or post-graduate vocational training.
- 6. All graduates will be proficient in using the tools of technology.

## **Strategies for the School District**

The school district will work toward accomplishing the strategies listed below in order to reach its goals and fulfill its mission:

- 1. We will ensure that the district curriculum, instructional practices and staff development programs are aligned with the California curriculum framework and articulated across grade levels and among schools.
- 2. We will structure the school district organization for school-based management and shared decision making and join parents, administrators, teachers, support staff, and, where appropriate, students, in school governance activities.
- 3. We will enhance the many roles parents play in the educational process and expand communication between the home and the school.
- 4. We will concentrate our efforts and resources toward student readiness and school success.
- 5. We will link career education to the K-12 curriculum and provide opportunities for students to develop marketable skills.
- 6. We will provide students with full access to advanced academic learning and develop their abilities to apply critical thinking skills for lifelong learning.

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- 7. We will ensure that CUSD students will be able to use the tools of technology to access information, produce work, and become lifelong learners.
- 8. We will develop and implement a plan to utilize available resources and provide all students with conversational experiences in a second language.
- 9. We will develop and implement a comprehensive program to meet the educational needs of our English Learning Students.
- 10. We will develop and implement a plan for student participation in school and community service.
- 11. We will enhance programs to support students with special needs.
- 12. We will institute programs designed to support the success of at risk students in school.
- 13. We will increase opportunities for understanding and appreciating human diversity.
- 14. We will work to ensure a safe school environment for every student and employee.
- 15. We will develop and implement innovative methods for reducing the student adult ratio in our schools.
- 16. We will work to ensure that CUSD students will be housed in facilities designed to contribute to and enhance their educational experiences.
- 17. We will expand the educational options available to students and their parents by providing families opportunities to select the CUSD school their children will attend.
- 18. We will develop and implement a comprehensive program for continuous assessment of student progress and achievement.
- 19. We will develop and implement a comprehensive staff accountability system of collaborative employee supervision and evaluation.
- 20. We will develop and implement a plan for building public confidence in and support of, CUSD schools.
- 21. We will pursue innovative funding alternatives and legislative support for CUSD's educational programs.

Policy

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