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## Bassett Unified Bolsters College, Career Preparedness To Increase Parent, Community Involvement

**LA PUENTE, CA** – Bassett Unified will invest more than \$46 million during the 2017-18 school year to provide students with more opportunities and access to resources, including technology, programs to boost college and career preparedness and increased parent engagement, as part of the 2017-20 Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP).

The plan, a requirement of the state's school funding system, guides District efforts to improve student learning. It identifies goals for each year, strategies to achieve those goals and funding sources.

As a result of rising graduation rates and decreased suspension rates, Bassett Unified will support programs that lead to student success, including No Excuses University and Positive Behavior Intervention Support, that encourage students to attend college and become responsible citizens. Career Technical Education pathways and Visual and Performing Arts curriculum will be enhanced to provide students with hands-on experiences and the ability to develop their passions.

"Our LCAP reflects the tremendous stakeholder input we received throughout the school year from teachers, administrators, students and parents," Interim Superintendent Dr. Debra French said. "Everyone has a voice in this LCAP and I would like to thank all those who worked so hard to make it inclusive and successful."

The District expanded its LCAP outreach by hosting an "LCAP Road Show" throughout its six schools, in addition to the regularly scheduled public hearings and town hall meetings, to include parents unable to attend late afternoon or early evening meetings.

The District's LCAP incorporated community input, including improving English learner support, expanding career technical education, adding safety infrastructure, increasing attendance and improving math and English language arts outcomes.

Bassett Unified will expand and enhance the following programs:

- College and career readiness
- Partnering with La Puente Regional Occupation Program to create new CTE Pathways
- Science Technology Engineering Arts Mathematics (STEAM)
- Advanced Placement/Honors courses

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- Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID)
- Visual and Performing Arts (VAPA)
- Positive Behavior Intervention Support (PBIS)
- Gifted and Talented Education (GATE)
- Additional safety infrastructure – security cameras and fences
- Increased collaboration between intervention specialists and general education teachers
- Tiered systems of mental health support through short-term counseling, crisis support and instruction, and counseling for students who are at-risk
- Continued modernization of District facilities
- Full implementation of newly adopted ELA/ELD curriculum
- Reinstate English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC) at all school sites

## PHOTO CAPTIONS:

**091217\_BASSETT\_LCAP1:** Don Julian Elementary students participate in a college colors parade where they represent their classroom's university by wearing college T-shirts and yelling out their college chants. All three Bassett Unified's elementary schools, along with one K-8 academy, are No Excuses University Schools, implementing a college-going mindset at an early age.

**091217\_BASSETT\_LCAP2:** Bassett Unified students use reading and math software programs that target their individual needs to boost grade-level comprehension.

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