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State Dashboard Highlights Baldwin Park Unified Student Performance

BALDWIN PARK – Baldwin Park Unified School District saw growth in multiple areas on the California School Dashboard, a tool that gives parents, students and educators access to important school and district data.

Released on Dec. 6, the updated Dashboard includes two new metrics for evaluating school and district performance and is fully accessible on smart phones and tablets with a user-friendly interface that makes complex data easy to understand.

Baldwin Park Unified students improved their performance on California's English language arts (ELA) and mathematics tests, continuing an upward trend. ELA scores increased by 7.8 points from 2017-18 and math scores strengthened by 4.6 points from 2017-18.

"The District will continue to refine and improve its educational programs and enhance instructional strategies to ensure every student has the skills to succeed," Superintendent Dr. Froilan N. Mendoza said. "We strongly encourage our Baldwin Park parents and community members to take advantage of this informative tool to learn more about the District's areas of strengths and improvement."

The Dashboard evaluates districts, schools and student performance on a variety of measures, including English learner progress, parent engagement and suspension rates.

Five color-coded icons – blue, green, yellow, orange and red – represent a school's success on each state measure by averaging performance and growth data. A blue icon indicates high performance that is steady and improving. Red indicates poor performance that is declining.

BPUSD demonstrates strong graduation rates with a green icon and 94.1 percent of students graduating in the 2017-18 year.

The Dashboard displays statewide data based on how each school or district performed and how much they improved or declined over time. It replaces the state's Academic Performance Index (API), which relied mainly on test scores. The API was retired in 2013 when the state shifted to the California Standards and adopted new standardized tests.

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In a culture of high expectations and academic rigor and an environment of support, understanding, and emotional safety, all Baldwin Park Unified School District students will graduate with a valued and highly respected diploma, prepared with the relevant skills, knowledge, and personal attributes necessary for success in a university or other institution of higher education and/or any post-secondary options of their choice.