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## **Baldwin Park Unified Celebrates Schools, Programs at District Showcase**

**BALDWIN PARK** – Baldwin Park Unified students, families, educators, administrators and community members joined together on March 2 to recognize the programs that are preparing students for 21st century careers and to highlight the array of opportunities available to students during the inaugural District Showcase.

Baldwin Park Unified's 20 schools, Early Childhood Education (ECE) and Adult and Community Education (BPACE) displayed their school pride and programs at interactive booths, alongside key community partners, including Kaiser Permanente, Mt. San Antonio College and Think Together.

"It is great to have each of our schools and key programs represented in one location – there is an energy here that inspires excellence," Superintendent Dr. Froilan N. Mendoza said. "I am grateful to work alongside so many talented and dedicated individuals who support our students' dreams and successes."

Folkloric dance groups from Foster and Walnut elementary schools, as well as the District's group, wowed the audience with bright numbers that generated claps, stomps and cheers.

Holland Middle School's robotics team showed off its engineering and robotics skills, showcasing hand-made robots that are programmed to throw balls, stack blocks and maneuver in tight circles and at high speed.

The three-hour event had student entertainment staggered throughout the morning, with musical performances from Baldwin Park High School's choir, jazz band and drumline, Sierra Vista Junior High School's band and orchestra, Holland's band and Sierra Vista High School's orchestra.

"My son is going to start school this fall and I wanted to learn about the different options and how to enroll," community member Jazmine Granados said. "I'm interested in the Dual Language program, and it's good to know there are so many activities at the schools."

Attendees were invited to learn about extended learning opportunities, including those offered through the Regional Occupational Program (ROP) and BPACE.

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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.



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While parents and community members browsed the many booths and displays, younger kids enjoyed time in the Kids Zone, where they could play board games, compete in sack races and have their faces painted.

District student and family support services were also represented, including the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI), Foothill Family and the Independent Learning Center (ILC).

### **PHOTOS**

**BPUSD\_DISTRICT\_SHOWCASE\_1:** Baldwin Park Unified's 20 schools highlight key programs during the inaugural District Showcase on March 2. The National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Club leaders and advisors from Baldwin Park High School share information on the many opportunities available through the student-led club.

**BPUSD\_DISTRICT\_SHOWCASE\_2:** Sierra Vista High School students highlight science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics (STEAM) opportunities available at the high school, including robotics and engineering courses, during Baldwin Park Unified's inaugural District Showcase on March 2.

**BPUSD\_DISTRICT\_SHOWCASE\_3:** Folkloric dance groups from Foster and Walnut elementary schools, as well as the District's group, perform for audience members on March 2 during the District Showcase.

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