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Baldwin Park Unified Projects Upgrade Schools, Boost Student Safety

BALDWIN PARK – Baldwin Park Unified students will benefit from new air conditioning systems, restored sports fields, new school marquees and safer infrastructure as the District completes Measure K-funded projects targeting safety, long-term needs and current needs.

These upgrades are the last items to be funded by Measure K, a bond measure approved by BPUSD voters in 2006, to improve school safety and security, as well as enhance learning and athletic facilities.

"To ensure that Baldwin Park Unified students have every opportunity to succeed, we must create the most conducive learning environments," Superintendent Dr. Froilan Mendoza said. "I want to thank our Board of Education and school community for supporting these upgrades."

The District is addressing critical needs with upgrades to electrical poles at Baldwin Park High School and to Sierra Vista High School's gymnasium HVAC system.

Additional needs being addressed include: new roofing at Olive Middle School, Sierra Vista Junior High School, Baldwin Park and Sierra Vista high schools; Districtwide elementary school playground safety upgrades to create safer fall zones; and new school marquees for Bursch, Central, De Anza, Kenmore, Pleasant View, Tracy, Vineland, Walnut, Sierra Vista Junior High and Baldwin Park High School.

The District renovated the sports fields used by the community's three Little League organizations at Elwin and Vineland elementary schools, and Olive Middle School. Additional field upgrades will include new fencing, netting, lighting and all-weather artificial turf for multi-use fields.

Baldwin Park and Sierra Vista high schools will receive canopies and multi-level shade units to be placed over seating areas and existing tables, ensuring students have ample shade and shelter areas.

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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.



Next, BPUSD will use funds from Measure AE, approved by the community in 2018, to fund a Safe Schools Initiative, including cloud-based surveillance security systems, Voice Over IP phones and Incident Commander security system.

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ELWIN_FIELD: BPUSD's Maintenance and Operations division worked closely with American Little League to update Elwin Elementary School's sports field. The project is near completion.

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