

Communications



Community Engagement Workplan Update

April 23, 2025

Guiding Questions

1 How does the District communicate with stakeholders?

2 How does the District engage stakeholders/community partners?

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How does the District communicate with stakeholders?

Regular Communication with Stakeholders

- Board Highlights
- District Newsletter
- School Newsletters
- CUSD 200 App
- Rooms (high school athletics/activities)
- Social Media
- Website
- Mailers

Communications Audit

- Vision 2026 Strategy
- District Audit completed in Summer 2024 with CESO Communications
- Internal building level audit ongoing
- Newsletter audit
 - School newsletter survey to parents this spring
 - O District newsletter survey to community this fall

Two-Way Communications

- Vision 2026 Strategy
- Identify a tool that is SOPPA compliant and allows for two-way communication between staff, students and parents
- Rooms integrated within existing CUSD 200 app, syncs with student information system (SIS)
 - Pilot for high school athletics and activities during 2024-25 school year
 - Evaluating future of Rooms:
 - Conducting feedback survey with staff, students and parents
 - Demo with multi-lingual and special education departments

Crisis/Mass Communications

- Alerts sent to families via email, call/text, website, CUSD 200 app depending on severity of situation
- Families may receive a communication when:
 - There is a potential risk or threat to the safety and security of students and staff
 - There is a change or impact to normal school operations that will affect students/families
 - Students may be impacted by a crisis situation in the classroom, school, bus or nearby vicinity
- Community Resources: CUSD 200 Safety Website & SEL Website

Crisis/Mass Communications

Emergency/crisis communications may be reviewed by:

- Director of Community Engagement and Communications
- Principal
- Local Law Enforcement/Public Information Officer (PIO)
- Superintendent
- Senior Leadership Team Members

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1 How does the District engage stakeholders/community partners?

CUSD 200 Engagement Opportunities

- Community Engagement Opportunities
 - State of Schools
 - Local Elected Officials Breakfast
 - Feedback/Input Community Engagement Sessions (e.g. facilities needs, boundary changes)
 - Surveys (e.g. Rooms, Newsletter,
 5Essentials, Staff Morale Survey)
- School-Based PTA's & Boosters
- District PTA Council
- Student Ambassadors
- Student Leadership Groups
- Student Excellence Foundation
- Curriculum committees for staff

- Citizens Advisory Committee
- *New Parent Advisory Groups*
 - Bilingual Parent Advisory Committee
 - Special Education Advisory Council
 - Career Pathways Advisory Council
 - School Safety and Student Wellness Advisory Council
 - Technology Education Committee

Other Community Engagement/Partnerships

- Municipalities
- First Responders
- Municipal PIOs
- Chamber of Commerces
- Park Districts
- Libraries
- Service Clubs (Rotary & Lions)

- Free Mobile Food Pantry
- Christmas Sharing Programs
- Weekend Food Bags
- Annual School Supplies
- Local Business Partnerships
- Neighborhood Roll Calls
- Outreach
- And more

Questions?