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FUSD GRADUATION, UC/CSU ELIGIBILITY & DROPOUT RATES CONTINUE TO IMPROVE

FONTANA, CA – FUSD Graduation, UC/CSU Eligibility and Dropout Rates Continue to Improve

The Fontana Unified School District continued to improve its high school graduation, dropout and UC/CSU rates last school year, according to California Department of Education data for the Class of 2014.

Graduation Rate

The district saw 87.2% of students graduate in 2014, a jump from 86.4% in 2013. FUSD's graduation rate is higher than local districts Chaffey, Colton, Rialto and San Bernardino, as well as both the County and State rates of 78.6% and 80.8% respectively.

Four out of five of FUSD's comprehensive high school's graduation rates have increased: Fontana (89.2%), Jurupa Hills (95.6%), Kaiser (94.9%), and A.B. Miller (89.5%). Although Summit had a slight decrease, at 93.0% it is still significantly higher than both the County and State rates.

FUSD African-American students graduated at a rate of 90.4%, which is an increase of 3.9%. This is 18.2% higher than the County and 22.3% higher than the State for African-American students.

In addition, FUSD English Learners (76.5%), Special Education students (71.5%) and our Socioeconomically Disadvantaged students (86.5%) graduated at higher rates than both the County and the State.

Drop-Out Rate

The 2013-14 school year also saw a .5% decrease of FUSD's drop-out rate to 7.7%, lower than surrounding districts Chaffey, Colton, Rialto, and San Bernardino, as well as the County (12.2%) and State (11.6%).

All five comprehensive high schools saw a decrease in their dropout rates: Fontana (7.0%), Jurupa Hills (3.6%), Kaiser (4.8%), A.B. Miller (6.5%), and Summit (3.8%), all of which are significantly lower than both the County and State dropout rates.

FUSD Latino students have a significantly lower dropout rate than both the County and the State: 7.9% for the District, as compared to 13.0% and 14.0% for the County and State respectively.

Additionally, FUSD African-American students also have a significantly lower dropout rate (5.2%) than both the County (17.0%) and State (20.3%).

UC/CSU Eligibility Rate

“The UC/CSU Eligibility rate calculates the percentage of a graduating cohort, who also meet all of the A-G Requirements for acceptance into the UC or CSU systems,” said Dr. Penelope DeLeon, Chief of Secondary Schools. “Fontana High School increased their UC/CSU eligibility by a staggering 12.7% to 35.4% and now out-performs the County, while Jurupa Hills High School and Kaiser High School also had significant increases and now out-perform both the County and the State!”

In the 2013-14 school year, our district UC/CSU Eligibility Rate increased by 7.2% to an all-time high of 32.5%. FUSD’s UC/CSU Eligibility Rate exceeds those of several surrounding districts, including Colton, Rialto, San Bernardino, Upland and Yucaipa-Calimesa.

At 32.1%, the UC/CSU Eligibility rate for Hispanic/Latino students increased at all five FUSD comprehensive high school, and exceeds the County rate by 2.7%.

“Any way you slice it, FUSD graduates a greater percentage of students than any other surrounding district, and now has more UC/CSU eligible students than many surrounding districts,” said Dr. DeLeon.

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High School Classroom (Summit High School)