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PUSD Awarded \$2.3 Million Grant to Enhance Positive Behavioral Intervention & Support for Students

Pleasanton, California—Pleasanton Unified School District has received notification from the U.S. Department of Education that our School Climate Transformation Grant has been selected for funding. PUSD is one of only 71 school district grantees in the Nation to receive this new funding. The 100% federally funded grant award is \$2,342,985 over a 5 year grant cycle.

This grant will enable the Pleasanton Unified School District to develop a Positive Behavior Intervention and Support (PBIS) Project, establishing the behavioral support and social culture for all students to achieve social, emotional, and academic success. The work will address urgent needs of students and families while ensuring equal access and treatment for all.

"Our proactive approach in finding new ways to support students academically as well as socially and emotionally has resulted in positive outcomes in many areas in the past few years," said Superintendent Parvin Ahmadi. "This grant will allow us the opportunity to enhance our efforts to further address critical student needs throughout our district. We feel extremely fortunate to be granted such a substantial award that is certain to have a long lasting impact on services we offer our students."

The overarching aim of the PUSD PBIS Project is to enhance and expand the Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports multi-tiered behavioral framework in an effort to improve behavioral outcomes and learning conditions for all students. The three measurable project goals are:

- (1) Establish district-wide and school-based teams to guide the planning and implementation of PBIS at all PUSD schools;
- (2) Implement PBIS across all district schools, engendering systems improvements and durable changes that progressively increase access to PBIS-related services and highly trained staff during and after the grant period;
- (3) Improve behavioral dynamics amongst students.

All schools in PUSD will benefit from this project.

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