

LONG BEACH UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
**The Year in Review**  
2023 Annual Report

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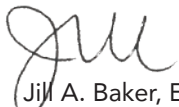
Our Long Beach Unified School District community continued to persevere through many challenges last school year to keep student achievement and wellbeing at the forefront, with a persistent focus on excellence and equity. Despite the lasting impact of a global pandemic upon our nation's schools, in LBUSD our students are showing encouraging progress.

Through our carefully designed Learning Acceleration and Support Plan, we made further, significant investments in student support. These investments will continue in the form of additional literacy and math specialists, collaboration and planning time for teachers, expanded tutoring, summer programming and enhanced early learning opportunities, and new ways of monitoring student progress using data. We're also continuing to implement a Black Student Achievement Initiative and a courageous Excellence and Equity Policy approved by our Board of Education, so that skin color is not a determining factor for student outcomes. We're focusing on the longer term, with a comprehensive strategic planning effort called Vision 2035. This effort has provided time and space for students, families, staff and community partners to help us create a vision of how LBUSD – and our students – can thrive for years to come.

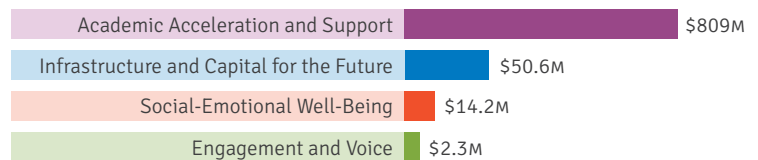
We also continue to invest millions of dollars in school facility upgrades to provide a safe and comfortable learning environment, using school bond funds that local voters have graciously approved. We've accelerated our planned installation of heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) systems at several schools. All schools that are not yet fully air conditioned will have new air conditioning within the next four years (with the exception of Poly High School, where HVAC will be completed in 2028 as part of a multi-year, major campus renovation beginning in 2024-25). New athletic facilities, technology updates and additional green spaces are in the works at many campuses. A complete timeline of projects is available at [lbschoolbonds.net](http://lbschoolbonds.net).

Our students' progress is a testament to our dedicated team of professionals, and to everyone in our school communities who supports our important work. I deeply appreciate these collective efforts to give our students brighter futures.



Warmly,  
  
 Jill A. Baker, Ed. D.  
 Superintendent of Schools

## 2022-23 Budgeted Expenditures Learning Acceleration & Support Plan



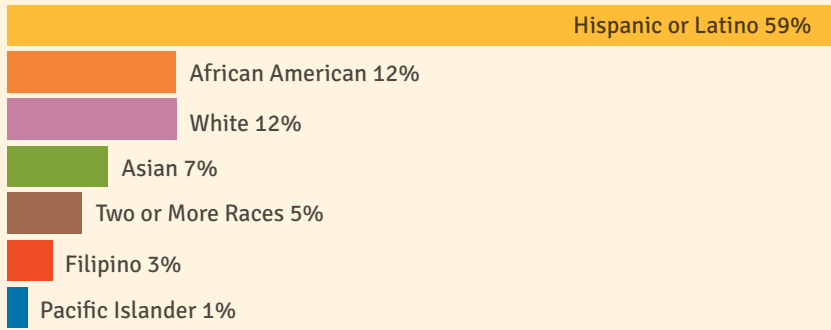
## 2022-23 Reading and Math Progress (Increase in % of Students at or Above Grade Level)

All grade levels 1 to 8 showed an increase in the percent of students scoring at or above grade level on reading and math i-Ready assessments from September 2022 to June 2023.

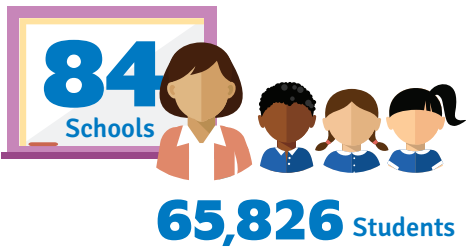
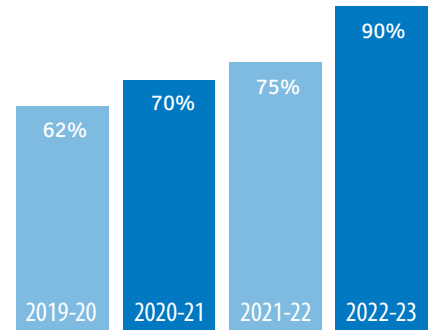
| Subject | Grade |      |      |      |      |      |      |     |
|---------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-----|
|         | 1     | 2    | 3    | 4    | 5    | 6    | 7    | 8   |
| Reading | +49%  | +36% | +26% | +20% | +16% | +10% | +10% | +7% |
| Math    | +44%  | +41% | +44% | +34% | +27% | +18% | +16% | +8% |

Based upon placement in September 2022 and June 2023 i-Ready assessments.

### LBUSD Enrollment by Race/Ethnicity



### Accelerated Math 6 Placement (%)

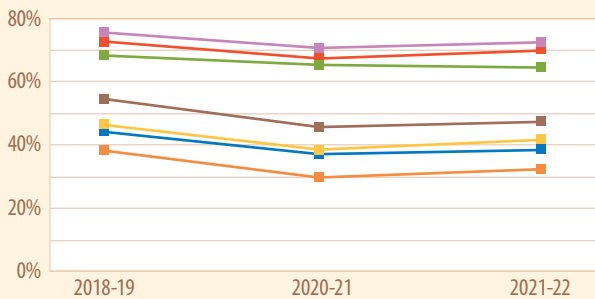


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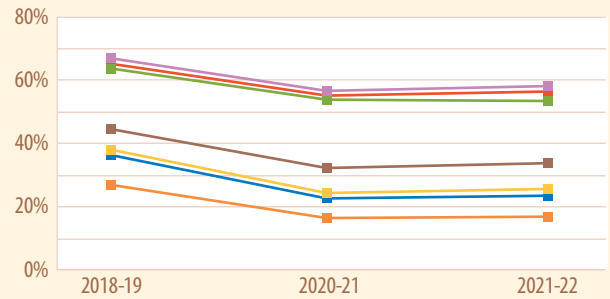
Pulse survey results show LBUSD students in grades 6 to 12 continue to report consistent levels of positive student experiences.

|   | Spring 22 | Fall 22 | Winter 22 | Spring 23 |
|---|-----------|---------|-----------|-----------|
| <b>Identity:</b> Students have a strong sense of self and are proud of who they are becoming          | 81%       | 82%     | 80%       | 82%       |
| <b>Agency:</b> Students have a voice and a platform of engagement and empowerment over their learning | 78%       | 80%     | 78%       | 80%       |
| <b>Belonging:</b> Students have a sense of connectedness where they are accepted and valued by others | 71%       | 73%     | 71%       | 73%       |

### SBAC ELA Proficiency



### SBAC Math Proficiency



Legend: All (brown), African-American (orange), Asian (green), Filipino (red), Hispanic (yellow), Pacific Islander (blue), White (purple)

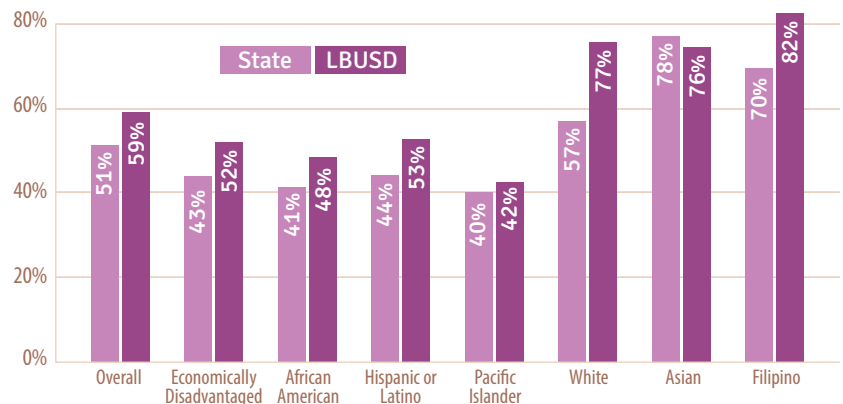
6 High Schools with Graduation Rates Above 90%



High School Graduation Rate  
**LBUSD 85%**

### A-G Completion Rate

LBUSD surpasses statewide percentage of students completing UC and CSU entrance requirements (A-G Courses, 2021-22).



## Excellence and Equity

### National Blue Ribbon Schools

Newcomb K-8 Academy became the latest school in LBUSD to be recognized as a National Blue Ribbon School. The coveted award from the U.S. Department of Education honors individual schools based on their overall academic excellence or progress in closing the achievement gaps among student subgroups.



### Best Magnet High School in California

California Academy of Mathematics and Science ranked No. 1 in the state among Niche.com's Best Magnet High Schools.



### Best Public Schools in California

33 LBUSD schools listed among Niche.com's Best Public Schools in California.



### Linked Learning Certification

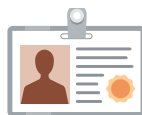
11 LBUSD high school pathways earned gold or silver certifications from the Linked Learning Alliance for demonstrating key components of specialized academic and career learning experiences.



**Wilson High School** girls track won CIF and State championships. The boys tennis team also won their CIF division championship.

**Jordan High School** boys basketball won their CIF division championship and boys track were runners-up in CIF.

**Poly High School** boys track won their CIF division championship, the boys soccer team advanced to CIF finals and the girls track team were runners-up in CIF.



More than **300** credentialed new hires including teachers, counselors and social workers

More than **275,000** walk-ins

at Wellness Centers recently established in all middle and high schools.



### Percent of credentialed new hires

|                    |           |           |           |           |
|--------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| African American   | 3%        | 13%       | 11%       | 11%       |
| Hispanic or Latino | 27%       | 36%       | 32%       | 37%       |
|                    | 2019-2020 | 2020-2021 | 2021-2022 | 2022-2023 |

## Infrastructure for the Future

**60,042** classroom furniture pieces installed

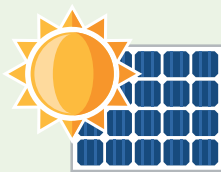


New voter-approved Measure Q will provide **\$1.7 billion** for school repairs



**5** schools received significant upgrades

## Sustainability



**9.5 million** kilowatt hours of energy generated by solar panels

**4,684** trees saved via electronic flyers



## Vision 2035

VISION 2035



System Portrait



Graduate Portrait



Adult Portrait

- 750 students attended the Student Summit
- 3 Guiding Coalitions with a total of 103 members
- 82 community input meetings, plus 2 community installation meetings
- 3 online surveys; collected over 13,000 comments
- 2 podcast episodes

## Board of Education

Diana Craighead, President ■ Douglas Otto, J.D., Vice President  
Juan Benitez, Ph.D., Member ■ Maria Isabel López, Member ■ Erik Miller, Member

## Superintendent

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