

Dinuba Unified

MORE ABOUT THE NEW DINUBA HS

The construction of the new Dinuba High School continues to move forward. We are planning to move into the new high school in January of 2025. The new Dinuba High School design promotes a college-like feel to the campus. The addition of four Career Technical Education buildings provides a complimentary Project Based Learning environment for those students who want to pursue a higher education experience. The architecture design of a school plays a crucial role in shaping the learning experience of students. DUSD is creating an environment that supports College, Career, and Life.

Our four CTE pathways/programs include Agriculture, Transportation, Medical Academy and the Construction Management Academy. The medical academy is a Nationally Distinguished Academy and the Construction Management Academy is a State Certified Gold Academy. Our Ag program will be moving into a 5 acre parcel of land, which includes new classrooms and greenhouses. Our new transportation building is the largest of the CTE buildings at 5,756 square feet.

These four CTE buildings were selected based on the Labor Market Information for our area. These pathways/programs reflect job market needs in our community. The CTE buildings were made possible by obtaining a school facilities grant along with some low interest financing from the state of California.

Thank you for your continued support as we strive to complete this project within one calendar year.

Dr. Joe Hernandez



Transportation CTE Building
Top Right Photo: August 2023
Bottom Left Photo: January 2024

DUSD At-a-Glance



6,600
STUDENTS

11
DUSD SCHOOLS

85%
LOW INCOME

33%
ENGLISH LEARNERS

1%
FOSTER YOUTH

4%
MIGRANT YOUTH

College Application Data

HIGHLIGHTS

85% of eligible students submitted a CSU Application (a 21.2% increase over last year).
39.57% of eligible students submitted a UC Application (a 13.67% increase over last year).

Dinuba High School has a 75.05% College Going Rate, projected to increase over the next semester with more CCC Apps to be submitted.

DHS has experienced an increased amount of college applicants in recent years

DHS Bulldog Bound Applicants	92
Seniors Admitted by Bulldog Bound	53

Submitted Applications by CSU

Fresno State	140
Cal Poly	49
Sacramento State	36
CSU Bakersfield	34
San Diego State	34
Others	132

Submitted Applications by UC

UCLA	34
UC Berkeley	28
UC Santa Cruz	25
UC Merced	24
Others	82

Dinuba High School: What's New?

Boys Basketball won the Andrew Bedoya Tournament on December 9th. They went 4-0 in the tournament, winning the championship game over Selma 55-51. Javier Torres was named tournament MVP, Brice Watley was named Most Inspirational, and Josiah Ochoa was named to the all tourney team.



Medical Academy Blood Drive was held on December 19th.

ELO-P Spotlight

Expanded Learning Opportunities Program, also known as ELO-P, has been busy building a foundation to build programs and bring new enrichment opportunities to Dinuba's students during out of school hours and we'd love to share a few of the programs we're most proud of.

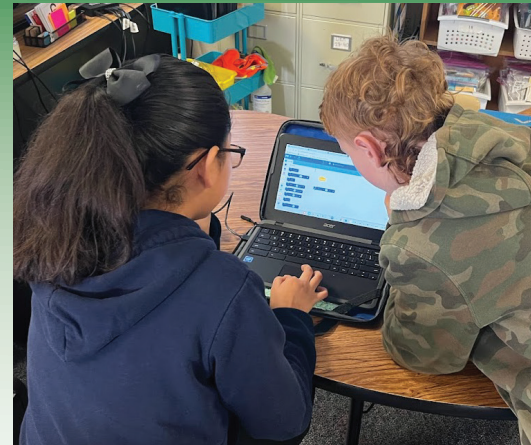
Robotics

Each of the 6 elementary school sites is now offering a year-round Robotics Club led by DUSD teachers for 5th and 6th grade students. Program participants are busy working on building and programming actual robots! At a recent visit, students proudly displayed their bots and were excited to show what they programmed their bot to do. Troubleshooting, problem-solving, teamwork, creativity, determination, and pride were beaming from students and their teachers. Keep up the great work scholars!



OnStage Afterschool Theater Program

ELO-P has partnered with TCOE OnStage Theater to offer an inspiring drama club to students rotating to each elementary site. Theater is known to build social and communication skills while improving students' self-esteem as well as their confidence in academic abilities. After approximately three weeks each site invites families to DHS auditorium to enjoy an impressive show complete with costumes, backdrops, props and unforgettable choreography. Jefferson's OnStage Club performed Frozen Kids on January 31st.



Girls on the Run

On Saturday, December 2nd, 110 third through sixth grade girls along with their running buddies and fearless coaches completed their 10-week training with a 5k event. Throughout the 10-week program, participants train for the 5k while working through a research-based curriculum on building relationships, self-confidence, body positivity, conflict management, and other positive life skills. Early February a second session kicks off with an entirely new set of lessons and 5k training. Registration is now open.

Intersession Fall/Winter Camp

Over both Thanksgiving and Winter break ELO-P explored the idea of Intersession Day Camp and while the need in Dinuba didn't seem to be prevalent, staff were able to provide a full-day program partnering with Elevo to provide crafts, sports, group games, and fun activities all day at Jefferson Elementary. Keep an eye out mid-February for registration for Spring Intersession Day Camp!



Crossing Safety

Safe Routes to School Guide Key Points:

1. Children need to be able to choose the safest places to walk.
2. Children need to learn where to cross streets and how to cross safely.
3. Children will demonstrate these skills some of the time, so continued practice is needed until they are consistent.
4. Attention-switching and concentration skills are essential for safe walking and develop as children mature.

HELPING CHILDREN LEARN PEDESTRIAN SAFETY SKILLS:

OVERVIEW FOR PARENTS & CAREGIVERS

- Obey all traffic signs and signals.
- Choose routes that provide space to walk and have the least amount of traffic and lowest speeds.
- Look for traffic at all driveways and intersections.
- If possible, cross at a crosswalk or at an intersection with a walk signal.
Stop at the curb and look for traffic in all directions (left, right, left, to the front and behind). At an intersection, it is important to look in front and in back to check for turning vehicles. The second look to the left is to re-check for traffic that is closest to you.
- Wait until no traffic is coming and start crossing; keep looking for traffic as you cross the road.
- Walk across the road. Do not run.
- Wear reflective gear if it is dark or conditions limit visibility, such as rain or snow.
- Talk with your child about what you're doing and why as you walk.



Scan this code with your phone for more tips and info.

Child Pedestrian Safety

AGES 4-6

1. Have limited judgement, making it hard for them to know where or when it is safe to cross the road.
2. Cannot gauge the speed of oncoming traffic.
3. Can be impulsive and lose concentration easily.
4. Have a hard time staying focused on one task, such as crossing the road.

Suggestion: Walk together

AGES 7-9

1. Need supervision as they learn more complicated pedestrian safety skills.
2. Can begin to identify safe crossing sites with help and practice.
3. Can begin to learn how to identify traffic and stay focused while crossing the street with help and practice

Suggestion: Teach lifelong skills

AGES 10+

1. Need specific instruction and modeling as they learn more complicated pedestrian safety skills.
2. Can identify safe crossing sites with help and practice.
3. With help and practice, can identify traffic and stay focused while crossing the street.

Suggestion: Find a mix of independence and supervision

Dinuba Unified is HIRING!

Join our team of dedicated staff. We are always accepting applications for a variety of classified, certificated, and substitute staff positions. If you are interested in joining our team, check out our current job openings and submit an application on EdJoin.

www.edjoin.org/DinubaUSD

