### Creating a Rigorous, Relevant & Modern Learning Experience For All Students

The School District of University City (SDUC) is continuing to teach our community about Learning Reimagined; a custom construct we are using to create a modern learning experience tailored to each student.

Learning Reimagined is the framework for creating a District culture with a focus on building and maintaining deeper connections with students, families, staff and communities through three Core Pillars and five Strategic Priorities as outlined in this brochure.

The 2023 Missouri School Improvement
Process (MSIP 6) Annual Performance
Report (APR) data shows that the SDUC
registered the second highest percent of
increase in enrollment in St. Louis County
since the 2019-20 school year. In the past two years,
the District has made notable gains, particularly in
math. We are also showing improvement in English
language arts.

We are very encouraged by these gains and we can tie them directly to our diligence in implementing

**Learning Reimagined**. Our teachers and school leaders look for every opportunity to infuse creativity and innovation into lessons inside and outside of the classroom.



The Pillars and Priorities create the framework of **Learning Reimagined**. Students in PreK-12 are reaching and exceeding educational milestones, earning scholarships and building skills and confidence. Our goal is for all students to be prepared and ready to compete successfully for careers in traditional and emerging fields.

Together, with our schools and community, we are reimagining what is possible and building the future one student at a time.

In Service of Our Children,

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## Learning Reimagined

#### **Reimagining Education in a Changing World**

The District's Strategic Plan delves deeper into **Core Priorities** to provide a framework for growing and nurturing future leaders who have the skills and experience to confidently and courageously take their places as leaders in their fields, in their communities and in our world.

#### Rigorous, Relevant & Modern Learning

We will deliver an education that engages the students as human beings, tailors learning to their individual needs, and presents relevant, real-world problems to solve – with clear connections to their future education and work.

#### Well-Being ℰ Joy

Our students – and our staff – are *whole* people who require an environment of safety, love and support to thrive. They will find that in our schools.

#### Excellent Staff

We will recruit, develop and retain excellent teachers, principals and specialists ready to commit to our shared vision of academic excellence.

#### All Hands

Our plan is ambitious and requires support and partnership both inside and outside of our schools. We need the schools and greater University City community to help us succeed.

#### Resources

Our schools must have the resources to put this plan into action. Our budget is a statement of our priorities and, as a school system, we commit to finding the resources to ensure our budget and operations reflect and support our priorities.























#### **Learning Reimagined Stands on Three Core Pillars...**

that humanize, personalize and problematize learning. We know that academic achievement increases with a caring classroom culture. The Pillars outlined below bring new energy, connections and possibilities to elevate our teachers, students and communities.

#### Humanize

Create an environment that nurtures social-emotional. physical and mental growth and development.

This includes acknowledging individual challenges and celebrating each student's unique gifts. Through our relationships with students and families, and a commitment to academic excellence, equity, access, justice and restorative practices, we increase each student's capacity to learn and thrive.

#### Personalize

Develop an individualized plan of instruction for each student based on personal strengths, educational goals and special interests.

This includes involving the school community in leveraging STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics) to prepare students to thrive in the traditional and emerging fields.

#### **Problematize**

Teach the art of problem-solving by providing memorable learning experiences that stimulate innovation and creativity.

Through extracurricular and inclass opportunities, our students learn to think for themselves and to confidently raise their own voices to any issue they choose.



critical thinkers and good people

Preparing students to be leaders,

# Learning Reimagined

Creating a modern learning experience where students feel empowered, loved and joyful



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