



THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF UNIVERSITY CITY

2025 Legislative Agenda

The Board of Education and administration of SDUC are committed to advocating for equitable and inclusive opportunities for all students. We know what is necessary and essential to graduate students who are academically proficient, mentally strong, and culturally aware. Our pillars of purpose include: **Personalizing** the education experience, **Humanizing** relationships with students and families, and **Problematising** solutions to real world challenges.



Approved by The School District of University City's Board of Education, January 2025. Please visit www.ucityschools.org/legislation.



SDUC SUPPORTS Legislative Priorities that...

- Expand statewide support for unhoused students
- Expand statewide funding for preschool
- Expand statewide funding for safety and security
- Provide mental health and well-being supports
- Promote literacy for children and adults
- Attract and retain highly-qualified public school teachers and staff

SDUC OPPOSES Legislative Priorities that...

- Encourage the use of vouchers. We believe in school choice, but vouchers are not the solution
- Increase the number of charter schools in the St. Louis region
- Divert federal, state, county or city funds from public schools for any reason
- Erode the authority of locally elected school boards

SDUC Snapshot | 2024-25 School Year

- District shares boundaries with the City of University City
- The City's 2020 population was reported at 35,065
- 7 District schools = one high school, one middle, four elementary and one early childhood center
- 139 preschoolers + 2,836 K-12 graders = Total 2,975 students
- 385 full-time staff members
- All students and teachers have 1:1 technology
- Approximately 10 percent of students are unhoused
- Approximately 14 percent of students have IEPs
- 168 Multilingual Learners, formerly English Learners, (LY); doubled in 2024
- More than 25 different languages are spoken
- Operating annual budget of \$55.5M
- Average expenditure per pupil is approximately \$18.7K



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