

Community Schools



The Dream

Every child deserves the opportunity to achieve their dreams. Every child deserves a public school that opens doors for them. Community Schools not only open doors but propel our children toward their dreams. By bringing students, families, staff, and the community together, we forge an unbreakable partnership dedicated to unlocking each child's full potential. Every student will have access to the same opportunities at no cost. We believe that finances, backgrounds, and abilities should never hinder a student's opportunities for success. Community Schools will ensure equal access to resources, creating a level playing field for all students. Whether it's cutting-edge technology, comprehensive learning materials, or enriching extracurricular opportunities, every child will have the tools they need to thrive.

Each student's journey is unique, as are the required supports. Our commitment to equity means tailoring those supports to meet their individual needs, whether providing tutoring, mental health services, or community outreach programs. Together, we break down barriers and pave the way to student success. By being a part of Community Schools, you will transform your child's future. It will provide real-world support to students and their families. We believe that students can achieve their dreams when they have all the resources they need to succeed.

The Vision

Transform our schools into a place where students and families come first, where every child has the opportunity to succeed, and where the community joins to help students succeed.



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The Mission

Improve students' lives by bringing more services into the school, offering more before and after-school opportunities, making more local community partnerships, and sharing decision-making with the entire community.

CVESD Community Schools
Chula Vista Elementary School District



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Community School Pillars

The key to the long-lasting success of Community Schools lies in the four essential pillars: Student Support, Expanded Learning, Community Engagement, and Shared Leadership.

Funding

Community Schools at CVESD are supported by a combination of state and federal grants, including 5-year California Community Schools Partnership Program (CCSPP) Implementation Grants, federal funding in partnership with National University, and designated Extended Learning Opportunities Program funds.



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Support

In addition to the extra funding, each Community School receives additional support. They also receive a full-time, year-round Site Community School Coordinator to facilitate the implementation, ongoing support from the district community schools coordinator, and prioritized support for each CS Pillar.

This will only be successful if the community works together. For information on getting involved, partnering, or volunteering, please contact the district office.

Participating Schools

- Enrique Camarena
- Fred H. Rohr
- Harborside
- Lilian J. Rice
- Loma Verde
- Los Altos
- Palomar
- Valle Lindo
- Castle Park
- Lauderbach
- Montgomery
- Otay
- Vista Square

Partners

Our long-term partners play a crucial role in our Community School initiatives, forming an intertwined network that supports our collective efforts. Together, these long-term partners create a robust and interconnected support system, empowering our Community Schools to thrive and positively impact the lives of our students and their families. Below are a few of our partners:

- Chula Vista Educators
- The Center for Violence-Free Education

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- YMCA
- Community Volunteer Corps
- Casey Family Programs
- The Military Partnership
- San Diego Food Bank
- San Diego District Attorney's Office
- South Bay Community Services

Community Schools District Steering Committee

The district created a co-lead Community Schools District Steering Committee comprised of community members, families, teachers, classified staff, CVE leaders, and district leaders to grow and support the planning, implementation, expansion, and maintenance of our Community Schools Program.

CVESD CS Recognitions

- Spotlight on the Community Podcast "Community Schools Thrive in CVESD" episode aired 11/14/23
- 1st SDCOE Community School Spotlight at SC Community Schools R-TAC (11/16/23)
- CS Representative at Live Well SD (4/2/24)
- Southern Coast ELOP Regional-Technical Assistance Center: CVESD CS and LEAD spotlight (2/14/24)
- State-Transformational Assistance Center LEA Focus Forum (2/29/24)

Semi-Annual Progress Report



July-December 2025

13 Community Schools serving student needs

13,047 resource connections:

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- **5,615** Basic Needs
- **5,493** Recreation and Enrichment
- **651** Academic

281,613 touch points with families:

- Digital Outreach: **269,469+ views**
- In-person Outreach: **12,070 flyers**
- School Events: **74**

3,382 students in extended learning opportunities.

94.4% average daily attendance rate across Community Schools.

Web Links and Resources

- [Community Schools Handbook - English \(/fs/resource-manager/view/cf700d6d-a395-4b90-b656-f30c4fd00242\)](/fs/resource-manager/view/cf700d6d-a395-4b90-b656-f30c4fd00242)
- [Community Schools Handbook - Spanish \(/fs/resource-manager/view/ea6ee365-58a1-44e4-b325-635c76141ba7\)](/fs/resource-manager/view/ea6ee365-58a1-44e4-b325-635c76141ba7)
- [California Department of Education \(https://www.cde.ca.gov/eo/in/ts-communityschools.asp\)](https://www.cde.ca.gov/eo/in/ts-communityschools.asp)
- [California Community Schools Partnership Program \(https://www.cde.ca.gov/ci/gs/hs/ccspp.asp\)](https://www.cde.ca.gov/ci/gs/hs/ccspp.asp)

Forms and Documents

- [CVESD Community Schools 2025 Semi-Annual Progress Report \(/fs/resource-manager/view/b26d7bfe-a686-4e03-85d5-6aa8e4843be1\)](/fs/resource-manager/view/b26d7bfe-a686-4e03-85d5-6aa8e4843be1)
- [CVESD Community Schools 2025 Semi-Annual Progress Report - Spanish \(/fs/resource-manager/view/d7db0a4e-c99b-463d-94bb-2e88fc297be9\)](/fs/resource-manager/view/d7db0a4e-c99b-463d-94bb-2e88fc297be9)
- [Community Schools Infographic - 2024-25 School Year \(/fs/resource-manager/view/05eb31b4-8414-490d-bbef-fac7258f9e2c\)](/fs/resource-manager/view/05eb31b4-8414-490d-bbef-fac7258f9e2c)



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- [CS Handbook 5.21.24 ENGLISH \(/fs/resource-manager/view/67ccc7bc-b170-4e5d-9848-a218f1d889f1\)](#)
- [CS Handbook 5.21.24 SPANISH \(/fs/resource-manager/view/a8c9e896-409d-4877-8c0c-d1addc1d8720\)](#)



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