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**Pittsburg Unified School District Placed on the College Board's Gaston Caperton
Opportunity Honor Roll for Expanding Access to College**

130 School Districts Across the U.S. Are Honored

Pittsburg, CA — Pittsburg Unified School District is one of 130 school districts in the United States being recognized for creating opportunities for traditionally underrepresented students. The districts featured on the Honor Roll have expanded access to higher education by providing students with rigorous academic offerings and innovative college-preparation programs.

“The entire Pittsburg community has a strong commitment to insuring access to every opportunity for our students and I am proud our district has received this recognition from the College Board,” said Dr. Janet Schulze, Superintendent at Pittsburg Unified School District. “I appreciate the efforts of all involved, including our incredible students and outstanding staff. “

Districts on the Honor Roll demonstrated significant and consistent growth in the number of underrepresented students and students from lower-income backgrounds participating in AP[®], taking the SAT[®], and applying to four or more colleges.

“The Gaston Caperton Opportunity Honor Roll recognizes educators and administrators who excel in delivering opportunity to students,” said David Coleman, president and

CEO of the College Board. “By increasing access to stimulating courses and college opportunity, they have created a culture of success that will continue to grow and benefit students.”

There is no application for the award. To be included on the Gaston Caperton Opportunity Honor Roll, Pittsburg Unified School District had to have:

- Increased the total number of underrepresented students who took the SAT
- Increased the total number of underrepresented students who took an AP course and exam
- Increased the total number of underrepresented students who were on track for college, as demonstrated by scoring 1550+ on the SAT
- Increased the total number of underrepresented students who scored a 3 or higher on an AP Exam
- Increased the total number of underrepresented students who sent their SAT scores to at least four colleges

Districts on the Gaston Caperton Opportunity Honor Roll show how exemplary classroom instruction, challenging courses, and daily hard work and practice make all the difference in the lives of students.

The complete Gaston Caperton Opportunity Honor Roll can be found at <https://professionals.collegeboard.com/k-12/awards/inspiration>.

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About Pittsburg Unified School District

Pittsburg Unified School District (PUSD) is a K-12 district serving the community of Pittsburg, California. Founded in 1933, the school system is committed to providing an excellent opportunity for all students to learn. Comprised of eight elementary schools, three junior high schools, one comprehensive high school, one alternative education high school, an adult school, independent study, alternative learning experiences, and early childhood education services, the school district serves more than 10,500 students. PUSD is located in the San Francisco Bay Area, fifty minutes outside of downtown San Francisco.

About the College Board

The College Board is a mission-driven not-for-profit organization that connects students to college success and opportunity. Founded in 1900, the College Board was created to expand access to higher education. Today, the membership association is made up of over 6,000 of the world’s leading educational institutions and is dedicated to promoting excellence and equity in education. Each year, the College Board helps more than seven

million students prepare for a successful transition to college through programs and services in college readiness and college success — including the SAT® and the Advanced Placement Program®. The organization also serves the education community through research and advocacy on behalf of students, educators, and schools.