



**2022-2023**

# **ANNUAL REPORT**



**Buckeye Union High School District**

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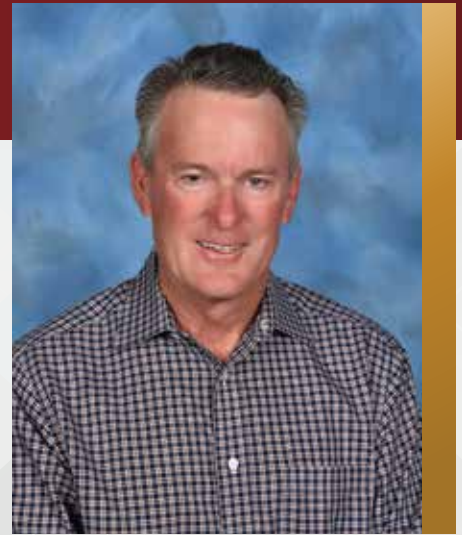
# GOVERNING BOARD



**Dr. Megan Blackburn**  
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**Mr. Jeffrey Brady**  
Governing Board Member



**Mr. Brian Turner**  
Governing Board President



**Mr. Maggie Lara**  
Governing Board Member



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Governing Board Member

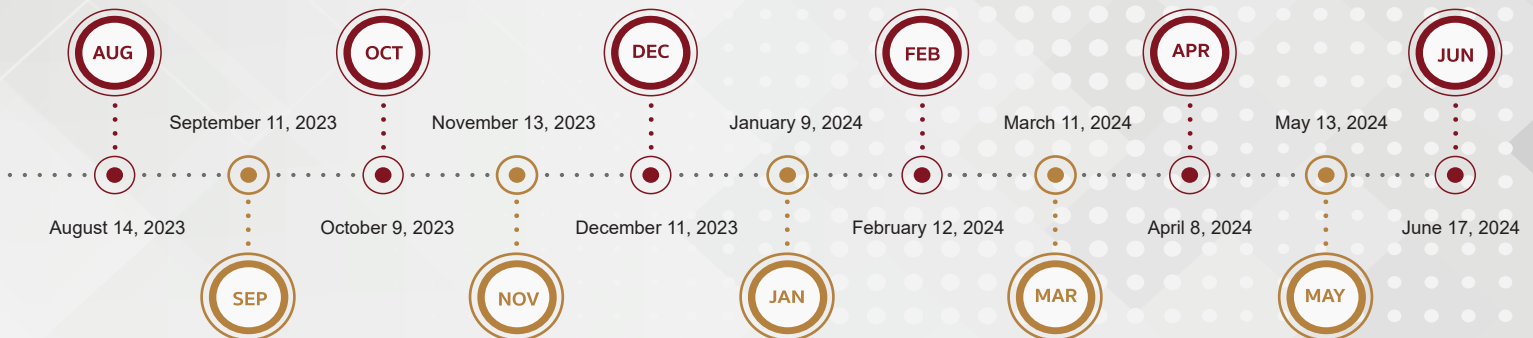


**Dr. Steven Bebee**  
Superintendent



**Mrs. MaryLou Martinez**  
Governing Board Secretary

## GOVERNING BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE 2023-2024



Governing Board Meetings are held at Buckeye Union HS District-A Wing  
6:30pm | 902 East Eason Avenue, Buckeye, AZ 85326



# DISTRICT & SITE ADMIN TEAM

## DISTRICT OFFICE

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Superintendent

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of Student Achievement

**Nicholas Magann**  
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of IT

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of Operations & Finance

**Mundi Wallace**  
Student Information  
Director

**Crystal Ashley**  
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Administrator

**Scott Acton**  
Exceptional Student  
Services Director

**Laurie Colbert**  
Director of Budget  
and Finance

**Michael Neu**  
Career & Technical  
Education Director

**Dulce Hagen**  
Director of Human  
Resources

**Scott Warner**  
Director of Safety  
and Security

## BUCKEYE UNION HGH SCHOOL

**Joe Kinney**  
Principal

**Mat York**  
Assistant Principal of  
Student Services

**Kristin Koke**  
Assistant Principal  
of Academics

**Luie Contreras**  
Assistant Principal  
Athletic Director

## ESTRELLA FOOTHILLS HGH SCHOOL

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Principal

**Nick Gonzales**  
Assistant Principal of  
Student Services

**Alex VanAllsburg**  
Assistant Principal  
of Academics

**William Wright**  
Assistant Principal  
Athletic Director

## YOUNCKER HGH SCHOOL

**Dr. Michael Sivertson**  
Principal

**Jackie Garcia**  
Dean of Students-TOA

**Temako Gardner**  
Assistant Principal  
of Academics

**Kelly Eply**  
Assistant Principal  
of Student Services

**Tonya Lee**  
Assistant Principal  
Athletic Director

**LEARNING CENTER**  
**Dr. Karen Sanders**  
Principal

# Mission & Vision



**MISSION:** BUHSD is committed to success for all students by providing a safe, engaging, and relevant educational experience.



**VISION:** To graduate students who are ready to pursue and achieve their postsecondary goals in life.

# SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE

The Buckeye Union High School District is pleased to present the Annual Report for the 2022-2023 school year, offering valuable insights into the district's endeavors and outcomes. This report is dedicated to showcasing the strides taken towards excellence within our district and highlighting significant achievements across the district.

Within these pages, you'll find a wealth of information on academic accomplishments, including the notable progress made through initiatives such as the District Literacy Initiative, Future Ready, Gear Up, Career and Technical Education, and the Arizona School Accountability System. These accomplishments stand as a testament to the ongoing dedication of our teachers, building-level staff, assistant principals, principals, and support personnel, as well as the unwavering efforts of our students and the invaluable support from families and community volunteers.

In the Buckeye Union High School District, we're committed to forging bright and prosperous futures for the students within the Greater Buckeye and Goodyear communities. As we chart a course to meet the objectives set forth in the newly crafted BUHSD Strategic Plan, the twin pillars of student achievement and success continue to underpin excellence in our district. To bolster these aspirations, it's imperative that we judiciously manage the district's resources.

Despite the challenges we continue to face with public school education funding, the Buckeye Union School District remains resolute in its collaborative approach with all employee groups, ensuring resources are deployed effectively for the betterment of our students and community. This Annual Report is just one of the avenues through which we seek to transparently communicate the specific undertakings and milestones of the Buckeye Union High School District.

As we celebrate the triumphs of the past year, we eagerly anticipate the realization of our District's vision: to graduate students who are ready to pursue and achieve their postsecondary goals in life.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude for your steadfast support!

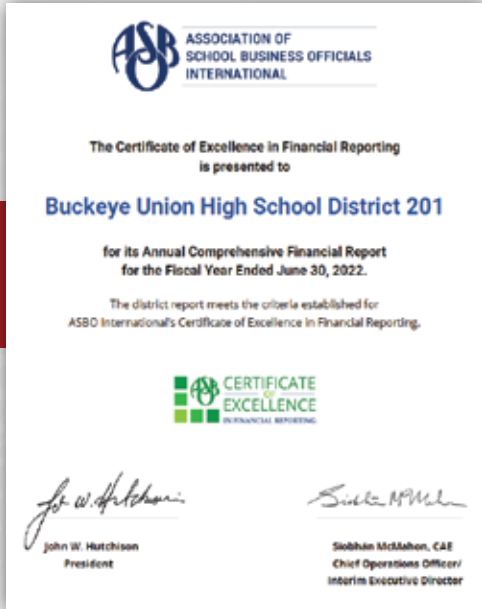


Dr. Steve Bebee-Superintendent

# ANNUAL REPORT DATA TAX RATES SUMMARY

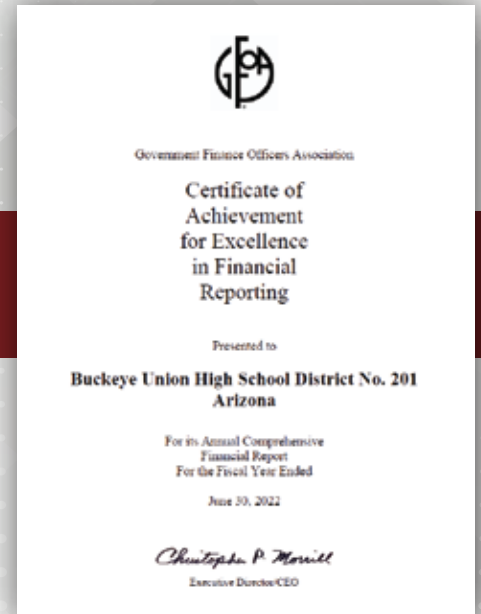
BUCKEYE UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT | 10-YEAR TAX RATE HISTORY

	FY 13-14	FY 14-15	FY 15-16	FY 16-17	FY 17-18	FY 18-19	FY 19-20	FY 20-21	FY 21-22	FY 22-23
<b>PRIMARY</b>	2.55	2.38	2.21	2.02	2.20	2.13	2.23	2.11	2.05	1.93
<b>SECONDARY</b>	1.11	1.13	1.13	1.20	1.14	1.14	1.11	1.07	1.03	1.02
<b>Total</b>	3.66	3.51	3.34	3.22	3.34	3.27	3.34	3.18	3.08	2.95



## CERTIFICATE OF EXCELLENCE

Buckeye Union High School District has earned the Certificate of Excellence for 18 consecutive years.



## TRANSPORTATION

For the 2022-2023 school year, our bus drivers ran:

Regular routes = 43

ESS routes = 13

Riders per day = 1387

Miles per day = 4474

Miles per year = 805,419

## BUHSD PERSONNEL

Certified Personnel = 259

Support Staff = 162

Administrators = 31

School Security = 15



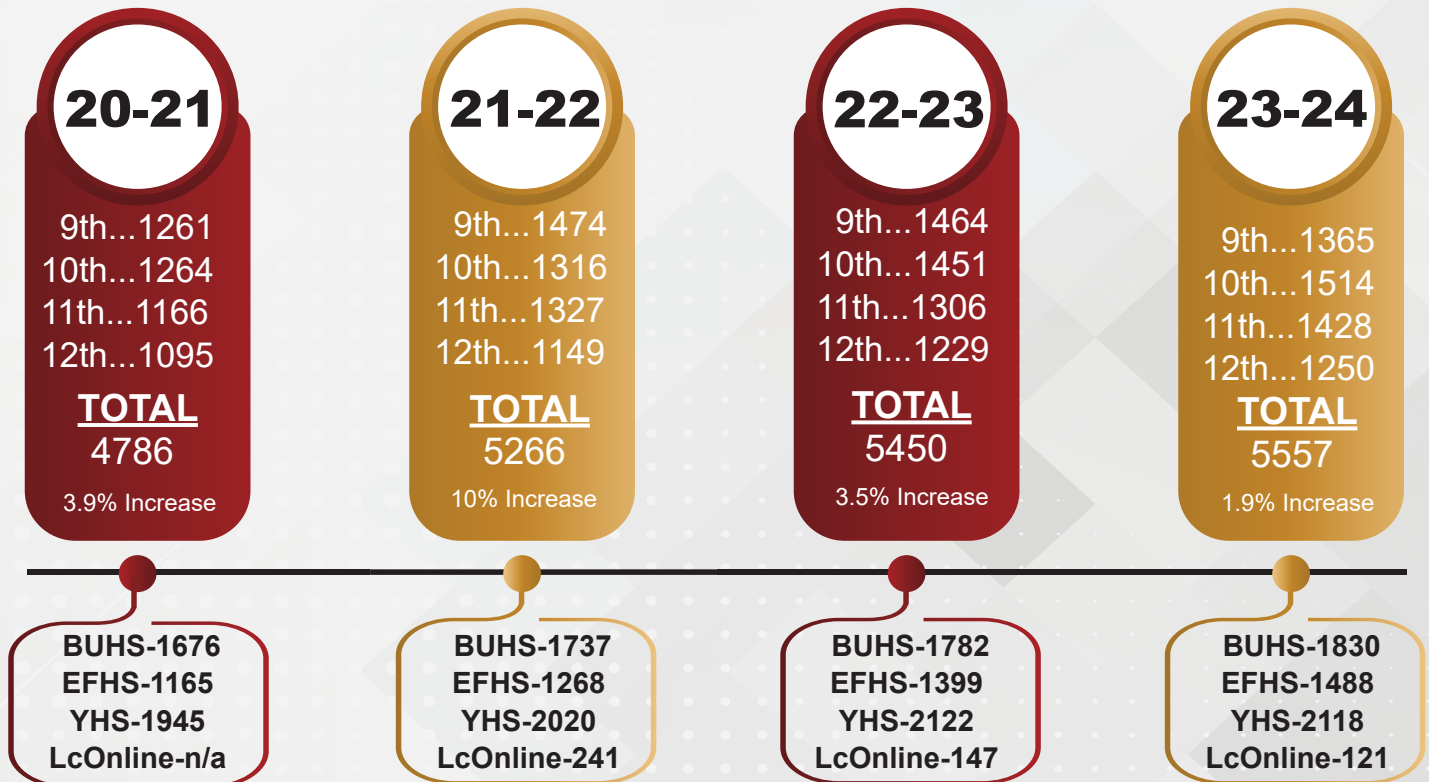
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# ENROLLMENT

Did You Know...Buckeye Union High School District is expected to double in enrollment within the next decade.



Hispanic – 61%   White – 26%   Black – 8%   Two or More – 3%   Asian – <2%  
 American Indian or Alaska Native – <2%   Pacific Islander or Native Hawaiian – <2%

# GRADUATION

## Strong Graduation Rates for BUHSD

BUHSD prides themselves with strong guidance departments that help students reach graduation by encouraging and advising students on Career Pathways. Strong counselors and GearUp coaches help students to leverage our academic programs toward earning credits on their way to a Future Ready graduation.

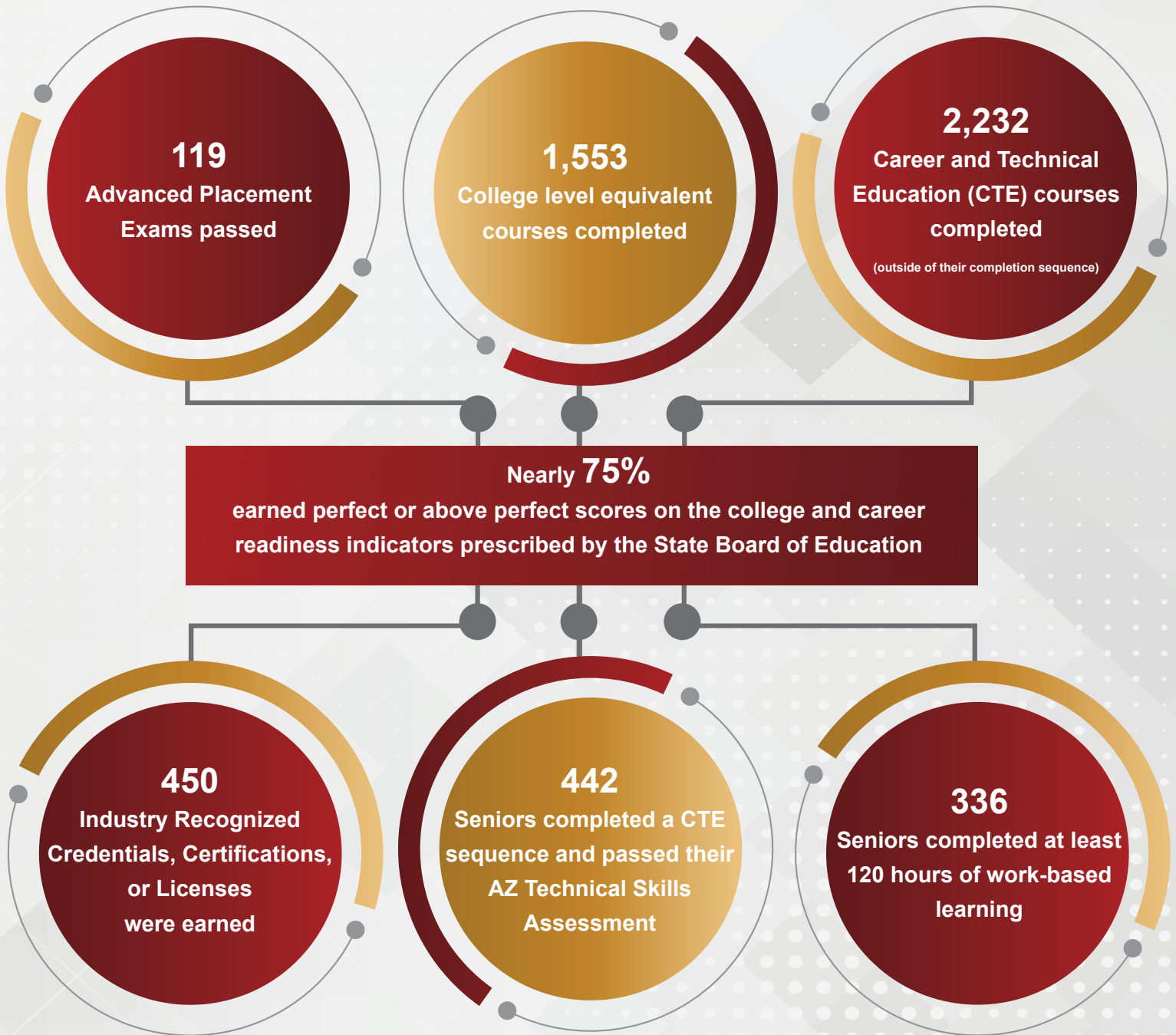
BUCKEYE UNION		ESTRELLA FOOTHILLS		YOUNCKER	
Class of 2020	96%	Class of 2020	97%	Class of 2020	96%
Class of 2021	91%	Class of 2021	95%	Class of 2021	93%
Class of 2022	95%	Class of 2022	96%	Class of 2022	92%
Class of 2023	93%	Class of 2023	93%	Class of 2023	91%



Arizona State Average is approximately 77%

# CLASS OF 2023

BUHSD is proud of its graduates and what they are able to achieve in their time on our campuses. Below are some of the collective achievements for our graduates in the Class of 2023.



## CLASS OF 2024 GRADUATION NIGHTS



May 22, 2024

5:00pm

Learning Center



May 22, 2024

7:30pm

Goodyear Ballpark



May 23, 2024

7:30pm

Goodyear Ballpark



May 24, 2024

7:30pm

Goodyear Ballpark

# State Accountability & School Letter Grades



BUHSD is proud to announce that, with the most recent release of letter grades based on performance during the 2022-23 school year, both Estrella Foothills High School and Youngker High School were rated as "A" schools with Buckeye Union High School being rated as a "B" school. Based on these, the district was rated an "A" district.

These labels are in compliance with federal and state laws that require that the Arizona Department of Education, with final approval by the Arizona State Board of Education, develop annual achievement profiles for every public school in the state. Arizona's system results in every school being rated with grades A through F.

The Arizona State Board of Education, in an FAQ about statewide accountability, states that the letter grade of an "A" means that the school/district has shown "distinguished performance on the statewide assessment, significant student growth, high four-year graduation rates, students on track to proficiency" with "overall performance significantly higher than state average." A letter grade of a "B" means the school/district has shown "high performance on statewide assessment and/or significant student growth and/or higher four-year graduation rates and/or moving students to proficiency at a higher rate than the state average."

We are proud of the work our students and teachers do every day in the classroom. These letter grades are a result of that work.

## FOCUS ON GROWTH

Buckeye Union High School District was recognized as the top performer in the State for ACT growth from the 22-23 school year. The ACT test is taken by students in the 11th grade across the state. This test measures student learning in English & Math for Arizona's statewide assessment. Year over year our students had the highest increase in test scores across all Arizona districts as reported by ABC 15 news. We achieved a 9-point increase in Math and 13-point increase in English.

It was a great accomplishment, and it was gratifying to be able to celebrate with teachers, staff, and this group of students who are now seniors on our campuses this current school year. One of our driving forces as a district is to take our students from the level they are at when they enter our schools and help them to expand and grow not only academically, but in their Future Ready preparation for their goals after high school graduation.

Did you know that you can make an Arizona Tax Credit Donation to your school of choice?

To make an online tax credit donation, please visit the district website at:

[www.buhsd.org/families/tax\\_credit\\_donations](http://www.buhsd.org/families/tax_credit_donations)

or contact one of our schools for more information



Arizona Revised Statute §43-1089.1

Tax Credit Public School Fees and Contributions



**IT'S YOUR CHOICE ... YOU CHOOSE THE SCHOOL YOU CHOOSE THE PROGRAM YOU CHOOSE THE \$ AMOUNT!**  
Please make BUCKEYE UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 201 One of your choices.

We at BUHSD are proud of the solidly developed curriculum and dedicated staff who do an excellent job of educating our students. Beyond classroom education, we believe extracurricular activities play an essential role in molding a child into an adult. Arizona Revised Statute §43-1089.1 School Tax Credit gives you the rare opportunity of designating a portion of your tax dollars to be spent as you choose, i.e., to enhance a child's development through extra-curricular activities and character education programs. On behalf of our students, we thank you for Your School Tax Credit Contribution.

<b>Buckeye Union High School</b>	<b>Estrella Foothills High School</b>	<b>Youngker High School</b>	<b>BUHSD Learning Center</b>
1000 E. Narramore Avenue Buckeye, AZ 85326 623.269.1100	13033 S. Estrella Parkway Goodyear, AZ 85338 623.269.1200	3000 S. Apache Road Buckeye, AZ 85326 623.269.1300	751 N. 215th Avenue Buckeye, AZ 85326 623.269.2002



BUCKEYE UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT  
**FUTURE READY**

**RESPONSIBLE CITIZEN**  
 ACT WITH RESPECT, INTEGRITY, AND COURAGE AS CONTRIBUTING MEMBERS OF A GLOBAL SOCIETY.



**EMPOWERED LEARNER**  
 PURSUE ESSENTIAL KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS THAT PREPARE THEM TO ADAPT TO AN EVER-EVOLVING FUTURE.



**INSPIRATIONAL LEADER**  
 ESTABLISH CONDITIONS THAT HELP TEAMS WORK TOGETHER AND TAKE ACTION TO REACH DESIRED OUTCOMES.



**CRITICAL THINKER**  
 APPROACH INDIVIDUAL AND COLLECTIVE DECISION-MAKING PROCESSES WITH PURPOSE AND INTENT.



**RESOURCEFUL CONNECTOR**  
 COMMUNICATE AND COLLABORATE WITH PURPOSE IN ORDER TO UNITE PEOPLE AND IDEAS ACROSS SPACE AND TIME.




**CREATIVE INNOVATOR**  
 INITIATE NOVEL SOLUTIONS TO REAL-WORLD PROBLEMS, BOTH INDEPENDENTLY AND COLLABORATIVELY.





**STUDENTS WHO ARE PREPARED FOR A DYNAMIC WORLD**

“College and Career Ready” is a term used frequently in education, but what does it really mean? Starting in the 2018-2019 school year, BUHSD undertook the journey to ask stakeholders what being “college and career ready” meant in our district. Over a few years, and through a variety of formats (including surveys, brainstorming activities with students, staff, parent forums, and community meetings that included business officials, politicians, and educators of all levels), the vision of what BUHSD wanted for its graduates came together with the more encompassing term of *“Future Ready”*.


**2022-2023 FUTURE READY STUDENTS OF THE MONTH**



Riley Wood  
 Hanna Dean  
 Jesse Garcia  
 Italia Cruz  
 Jasiel Torres  
 Ryan Mellinger  
 Hyrum Scow  
 Gavin Filicicchia  
 Adriana Rodriguez



Eleanor Johnson  
 Dalton Rutkowski  
 Angelee Bawek  
 Alexandra Serrano  
 Jaycee Pope  
 Jair Sandoval De La Paz  
 Brenden Matteson  
 Mackenzie Lees  
 Sophia Bobadilla



Joshua Bunnell  
 Valeria Aguayo  
 Emma LeClerc  
 Payton Macias  
 Lanale Kidd  
 Summer Duenas Parra  
 Michael Gulley  
 David Mills  
 Mia Verbeck



Gear Up is a federal grant-funded program that serves students from 9th-12th grade. Gear Up stands for Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs.

This program allows the district to have Gear Up Coaches on each campus who work in conjunction with the Counseling departments and the Future Ready Teachers to help students successfully navigate high school and to help them prepare for their post-secondary life.

The Gear Up Coaches hold many workshops throughout the year to help students choose their career pathways, to help them and their families navigate the college and university admissions process, and assist them in researching and completing scholarship applications. Some of the most important workshops the Gear Up Coaches sponsor are the ones to help students and their families to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid or FAFSA. Many colleges and universities require families to complete the FAFSA before they will consider giving students any financial aid. BUHS, EFHS, and YHS all saw double digit increases in their FAFSA completion rate this year. Students also were able to tour the following schools: Arizona State University, the University of Arizona, Grand Canyon University, West-MEC, Estrella Mountain Community College, as well as some vocational schools. Gear Up also brings College, Military, and Vocational school representatives to each school site so that the students have a chance to talk to them directly.

BUHS, EFHS, and YHS had a total of \$31.7 million dollars in scholarships awarded to their students. This included 3 Dorrance Scholarship winners who earned a total of \$100,000 each. There was also 1 Flinn Scholarship winner who was awarded \$130,000 for their education. The district also had 1 Questbridge scholarship winner who will receive over \$200,000 over the course of four years. These are in addition to the many other scholarships that students received for both in state and out of state schools. These students all worked extremely hard to earn these scholarships and we are immensely proud of them.

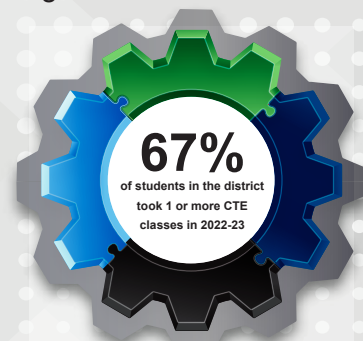
# CTE CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

Students are motivated to learn through the Career and Technical Education (CTE) instructional delivery system that focuses on relevant classroom and interactive laboratory instruction, work-based learning, leadership and community involvement. CTE is for all students, regardless of their plans after high school. A variety of CTE programs are offered that will help fit the needs for any Career Pathway a student may be interested in whether they plan to attend a university, community college, technical school, join the military, or go to work immediately after high school.

**CTE Programs include many benefits. They give students the opportunity to:**

- Build career and technical skills that apply directly to the workforce;
- Strengthen soft skills such as communication and critical thinking;
- Be exposed to different types of careers within the 16 Career Clusters;
- Prepare to take industry-recognized certification exams or dual enrollment courses.

**All CTE programs are career-focused where students are preparing for immediate employment and further education in the career field.**



## 20 BUHSD CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS

- |                           |                         |                       |                         |
|---------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| • AEROSPACE SCIENCE-JROTC | • COMPUTER SERVICE TECH | • FILM & TV           | • PHOTOGRAPHY           |
| • AGRISCIENCE             | • CULINARY              | • FIRE SERVICE        | • SOCIAL MEDIA BUSINESS |
| • AUTOMOTIVE TECHNOLOGIES | • EARLY CHILDHOOD       | • GRAPHIC DESIGN      | • SPORTS MEDICINE       |
| • CARPENTRY               | • EDUCATION PROFESSIONS | • LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY | • TECHNICAL THEATRE     |
| • CODING                  | • ENGINEERING           | • MEDICAL ASSISTING   | • WELDING               |



# EXCEPTIONAL STUDENT SERVICES



Special Olympics  
Unified Schools

**Special  
Olympics**



## Special Olympics Unified Schools

**BUHSD is the  
only district in the  
UNIVERSE to be a  
Unified National  
Banner Status  
District!!**

Unified Sports joins people with and without intellectual disabilities on the same team. It was inspired by a simple principle: training together and playing together is a quick path to friendship and understanding. In Unified Sports, teams are made up of people of similar age and ability. Congratulations on a year of success in Unified Sports for the Buckeye Union High School District!

- YHS and EFHS reached banner status in just the 2nd year of their programs.
- EFHS had AIA state winners and finalists in 2 sports.
- YHS had AIA state finalists.
- Students from EFHS and BUHS were able to take part in a full day of interviews and media days for the Super Bowl in Arizona, some of which have led to follow up events for the students to be interviewed for a national podcast.
- BUHSD was able to solidify Unified Programming at BUHS, EFHS, and YHS. Students across our district now have access to a fully credited Unified PE class for students with and without disabilities to compete and advocate together for inclusion campus/community-wide.
- Each BUHSD school offers Unified PE, supports a Unified Club, and hosts local and state Special Olympics Arizona and Arizona Interscholastic Association qualifying tournaments, competitions, and special events.
- BUHSD competed in the Unified Sports competitions that included: aquatics (swim), badminton, bocce ball, soccer, basketball, flag football, volleyball, track and field, and esports.
- BUHSD now offers the Unified PE class to over 70 students of all abilities and engages the whole school through Unified School Dances, inclusion weeks, and pep assemblies.
- BUHS, YHS, and EFHS hosted dances for students with disabilities to enjoy a campus experience in a sensory-safe environment.
- YHS hosted an AIA Unified Track and Field competition, EFHS hosted a Special Olympics area Unified Basketball qualifying tournament and SOAZ Powerlifting competition, and BUHS hosted an AIA Unified Soccer qualifying tournament.
- Travis Haley and Chad Williams were able to attend the Pre-Super Bowl Activities with a Unified Athlete from EFHS and a Unified Athlete from BUHS.
- Students in the Life Skills program learned inclusive health, hygiene, and social skills through Special Olympics Arizona's Healthy LEAP Curriculum.

### **LIFE SKILLS AND TRANSITION TO WORK PROGRAM**

- Students in the Life Skills program had access to on-campus and in-community experiences that empowered the students to showcase their functional, transferrable skills.
- Our Transition from School to Work program continues to grow in the Buckeye Community.
  - Thank you to the following Buckeye businesses that welcome our TSW externs to gain work experience at their work sites: Walgreens on Yuma, Walgreens on Southern, Duncan Trucking, Paloma Ready Mix, Buckeye Senior Center, B.A.R.K. (animal rescue), Chartwells at BUHS cafeteria, BUHS maintenance, and BUHSD TSW Fashion Design!
  - A more recent addition to our TSW/Buckeye Community relationship is Millstone Café in downtown Buckeye.

***Thank you to all our customers that support the TSW Work Crews on the BUHS campus!***



# BUCKEYE UNION

## HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT



## 2022-2023 TEACHERS OF THE YEAR

Belle Turner- Buckeye Union  
 Laura Edwards- Estrella Foothills  
 Dawn Stark- Youngker

## 2022-2023 Employees of the Month

- |                                |                            |                           |                             |                              |                         |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| <i>Abdon Villa</i>             | <i>Brianna Pechac</i>      | <i>Debra Jackson</i>      | <i>Justin Lewis</i>         | <i>Melanie Mock</i>          | <i>Steven Wilbourn</i>  |
| <i>Alberto Moya</i>            | <i>Brianna Ramos</i>       | <i>Denise Contreras</i>   | <i>Kaileigh McCubbins</i>   | <i>Melissa Martinez</i>      | <i>Teresa Cabrera</i>   |
| <i>Alexis Mendoza</i>          | <i>Calvin Thomas</i>       | <i>Douglas Lloyd</i>      | <i>Kanishia Thomas</i>      | <i>Mia McDermott</i>         | <i>Thomas Rasmussen</i> |
| <i>Alison Duncan</i>           | <i>Casey Pritchard</i>     | <i>Dulce Hagen</i>        | <i>Kara Thompson</i>        | <i>Michael Haslanger</i>     | <i>Trina Stark</i>      |
| <i>Alyssa Markle</i>           | <i>Cassie Kinney</i>       | <i>Elijah Wickander</i>   | <i>Karen Kolberg</i>        | <i>Misty Moore</i>           | <i>Weston Scow</i>      |
| <i>Alyssa Turner</i>           | <i>Cedric Gardner</i>      | <i>Esteban Sierra</i>     | <i>Karen Sanders</i>        | <i>Monica Bustos</i>         | <i>Will Seward</i>      |
| <i>Amber McNelley</i>          | <i>Celeste Taylor</i>      | <i>Evelina Castillo</i>   | <i>Kari Stallcop</i>        | <i>Mundi Wallace</i>         |                         |
| <i>Amy Montano</i>             | <i>Chad Williams</i>       | <i>Gabriela Sepulveda</i> | <i>Kathy Fox</i>            | <i>Nadia Cutter</i>          |                         |
| <i>Amy Rasmussen</i>           | <i>Charles Beard III</i>   | <i>Garth Benson</i>       | <i>Keith Lara</i>           | <i>Nicholas Magann</i>       |                         |
| <i>Amy Speight</i>             | <i>Christina Rodriguez</i> | <i>Gregg Pelka</i>        | <i>Kendra Spens</i>         | <i>Oscar Olivias</i>         |                         |
| <i>Ana Mosqueda Moreno</i>     | <i>Christina Williams</i>  | <i>Harley Pirtle</i>      | <i>Kevin Geiger</i>         | <i>Patrick Maddux</i>        |                         |
| <i>Andrea Lefebvre-Osborne</i> | <i>Ciara Olmeda</i>        | <i>Isaac Gomez</i>        | <i>Kimberly DeLongchamp</i> | <i>Rieko Ford</i>            |                         |
| <i>Andrew Glenn</i>            | <i>Clarissa Talamantez</i> | <i>Jacob Nelson</i>       | <i>Kristen Kohli</i>        | <i>Rita Jones</i>            |                         |
| <i>Anna Jimenez</i>            | <i>Claudia Ornelas</i>     | <i>Jayne Arrieta</i>      | <i>Laurie Colbert</i>       | <i>Rosa Estrada</i>          |                         |
| <i>Anselmo Perales</i>         | <i>Courtney Kriebel</i>    | <i>Jeffrey Simmons</i>    | <i>Lisa DeCota</i>          | <i>Sandra-Al Kaluau</i>      |                         |
| <i>Anthony Cluff Jr</i>        | <i>Craig Alessio</i>       | <i>Jill Brunsch</i>       | <i>Luis Melendrez Sr</i>    | <i>Shawn Gonzalez</i>        |                         |
| <i>Aryal Cordova</i>           | <i>Creston Cooledge</i>    | <i>Jimmie Miracle</i>     | <i>Marc Johnson</i>         | <i>Silvia Tinoco Salcedo</i> |                         |
| <i>Azucena Garcia Barcenas</i> | <i>Crystal Hunt</i>        | <i>Joseph Baker</i>       | <i>Maria Quevedo</i>        | <i>Spencer Meyer</i>         |                         |
| <i>Brandon Hagen</i>           | <i>Dan Bauer</i>           | <i>Joseph Mazur</i>       | <i>Mary Storto</i>          | <i>Stephanie Gonzalez</i>    |                         |
| <i>Brian Jaimes</i>            | <i>Dawn Stark</i>          | <i>Julie Leatherbury</i>  | <i>Melanie Lintz</i>        | <i>Stephanie Lopez</i>       |                         |



# BUCKEYE UNION HIGH SCHOOL

Home of the Hawks | Established 1921

Buckeye Union High School is proud of the accomplishments our school, staff, and students achieved for the 2022-2023 school year.

- 1 State Champion Boys Track – Keegan Zaso Triple Jump 46' 1" (School Record)
- 1 State Placer Boys Wrestling – TrayVon Frazier 4th Place D2 Boys 144LB
- 6 different teams qualified for state
- 2 more teams made the play-in round
- 3 AIA 5A Central Valley Region Championship Teams
- 1st Softball Region Title in School History
- 2 athletes First Team All-Conference (4A Football/5A Baseball)
- 2 Baseball Players selected to AzBCA 5A All-Star Game
- 2 athletes Second Team All-Conference
- 25 athletes First Team All-Region
- 3 5A Central Valley Region Coaches of the Year
- 3 5A Central Valley Region Players of the Year
- 6 5A Central Valley Region Offensive/Defensive Players of the Year
- 22 athletes Second Team All-Region
- 23 Individual Athletes qualified for State Tournament/Championship
- 11 Student-Athletes signed to play college athletics
- Inaugural Season for Boys Volleyball
- Inaugural Season for Beach Volleyball (Girls)

- ACT Average Composite Score grew by 1.5 points
- All ACT Content Categories demonstrated growth based on the mean scores
- 60 AP Students with 119 exams taken
- 1 Student Scored a 5 on the AP United States History Exam
- AFJROTC Unit was selected to receive the Distinguished Unit Award
- 1 Dorrance Scholarship recipient
- Arizona FFA Chapter of the Year
- 172 CTSO Students placed at regional, state, and national conferences
- 1 CTSO state level student officer
- 1 CTE AZCTE Teacher of the Year
- CTSO Scholarship recipients

## College Board Recognition for the following students:

### National Rural and Small Town Award

- Arabella Floding
- Jaesen Juarez
- Maya Reyes
- Nicholas Reyes

### National Hispanic Recognition Award

- Maya Reyes
- Nicholas Reyes

### National African American Recognition Award

- Letom Kpea





# ESTRELLA



ESTRELLA FOOTHILLS HIGH SCHOOL  
WOLVES

## ESTRELLA FOOTHILLS HIGH SCHOOL

Home of the Wolves | Established 2001

Estrella Foothills High School is proud of the accomplishments our school, staff, and students achieved for the 2022-2023 school year.

- Unified Sports – State Soccer Championship
- State Championship – Girls Volleyball
- Tanner Sheffield – State Champ – Swimming (500 YD Free)
- Angela Bawek – State Champion – Track (javelin)
- 14 out of 21 Athletic Programs earned Post Season Competition
- Boys Volleyball, Beach Volleyball, and Boys Tennis finished 2nd in State
- POM Team represented EFHS at Nationals
- 4 State Titles – Unified Sports – Soccer, Swimming (500M), Girls Volleyball, Track and Field (Javelin)
- 5 Region/ Section Titles – Girls Volleyball, Girls Soccer, Baseball, Boys Tennis, Beach Volleyball
- 9 Students Commit to play College Athletics.
- 6 players - 1st Team All-Conference Players
- 5 Players - 2nd Team All-Conference Players
- 3 Conference Players of the Year
- 1 Conference Coaches of the Year
- 24 players - 1st Team All Region Players
- 21 players - 2nd Team All Region Players
- 10 Region Players of the Year
- 3 Region Coaches of the Year

- 95% Graduation Rate
- 128 AP Exams Administered
- AP Exams – 8 scores of 5 earned by various students
- 53 Students earned top Scholarships awarded from State Universities
- \$13,541,127 in Scholarships earned by Class of 2023
- 7 Dual Enrollment students earned Academic Certificate In Foundations of Sports Medicine
- Noah Killeen – National Officer for FBLA
- 178 students or group of students competed at State level CTSO
- FBLA Media earned Silver Chapter Award
- EFHS students earned 13 Gold, 11 Silver, and 8 Bronze medals at State CTSO Competitions
- Students earned 79% Pass rate on CTE Technical Assessments

### **College Board Recognition for the following students:**

#### **National Rural and Small Town Award**

- Alec Roth
- James Bennett
- Renji Kassing
- Sophia Bobadilla

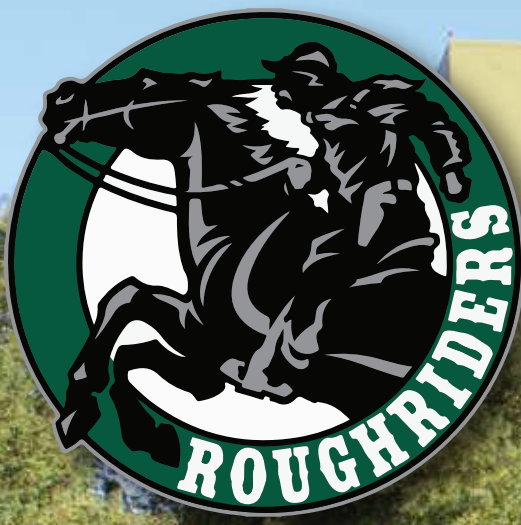
#### **National Hispanic Recognition Award**

- Sophia Bobadilla

#### **National African American Recognition Award**

- Renji Kassing





# YOUNGKER HIGH SCHOOL

Home of the Roughriders | Established 2007

Youngker High School is proud of the accomplishments our school, staff, and students achieved for the 2022-2023 school year.

- 5 Student athletes that received athletic scholarships
- Girls Volleyball earned the AIA Sportsmanship Award
- 1 Female Wrestling State Runner Up
- 6 Wrestling State Qualifiers
- 2 Badminton State Qualifiers
- 7 Boys Cross Country State Qualifiers
- 11 Boys Track State Qualifiers
- 5 Girls Track State Qualifiers
- 5 state medalists in the State Track Meet
- Unified AIA Soccer State Runner Up
- Cheer team Qualified in State and Nationals Game Day for Cheer; placed 4th at state and 7th at Nationals
- POM Team Qualified for Nationals Game Day and Pom Competition
- 151 CTSO students placed at Regional, State, and National Conferences
- 1 CTSO State level student officer
- 1 CTE teacher on the CTSO Board of Directors
- CTSO Scholarship recipients

- 328 AP Exams were taken last year
- 7 students selected to participate in ACE/HOL program with EMCC
- 13 Dual Enrollment classes offered (was 11 in the past)
- Youngker was 1 of 5 high schools in the state to be selected by the Board of Regents as the FAFSA Challenge Most Innovative Player
- Scholarship amounts = \$13,499,535
- 25 Obama Scholarship recipients
- 1 Dorrance Scholarship recipient
- 1 Flinn scholar-First Flinn recipient in the District since 1990

## College Board Recognition for the following students:

### National Rural and Small Town Award

- Hailey Mooney
- Josh Bunnell
- Nicholas Cato

### National Hispanic Recognition Award

- Ayda Reyes
- Evelyn Torres

### National African American Recognition Award

- Hailey Mooney
- Kamrynn Smith



# **BUHSD LEARNING CENTER SCHOOL**

Home of the Bulldogs | Established 2011

Established in 2011, the Buckeye Union High School District Learning Center provides opportunities for students who may desire or need an environment different than the traditional high school campus.

In the alternative program, the focus is to prepare students for college and/or career within a smaller environment. Edgenuity, a computer-based academic curriculum aligned to Arizona State Academic Standards and district curricula, is the main platform for instruction. Students attend classes during the week on the BUHSD Learning Center campus with three highly qualified teachers on site to monitor course progression and assist students with academic needs. Through BUHSD Institute of Online Learning (LcOnline), students progress at their own pace using Edgenuity as well, but they work from home with 24/7 access to their classes. District highly qualified teachers monitor and support students' progress and are available to help students when needed. The Learning Center also houses other programs that assist students who qualify for Special Education Services under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act. These specialized programs allow students to receive the supports and services they need on a district campus rather than having to travel a distance to specialized schools in the Phoenix area.

For more information about programs at the Learning Center, please contact the BUHSD Learning Center by calling 623.269.2000.

