



STEM High School & Education Center at UCR
Top 5 Facts

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Sharing the Facts

The vision of our Board of Trustees is that the proposed STEM High School and Education Center at UCR expand access and opportunities to STEM learning for all of our students. This vision reflects our RUSD culture of innovation and planning ahead so that our students are prepared for the future. Below are five top facts about the proposed project. For full information and FAQs, visit the district's project web page at STEMhighschool.riversideunified.org.

1 The proposed project will increase the number of RUSD students enrolled at a STEM high school campus by 600%.

- The Riverside STEM Academy currently has 200 high school students while the proposed STEM High School will be for 1,200 full- and part-time students, giving more students more STEM opportunities.
- Student enrollment will mirror the district's diversity and use the same selection process as used at the Riverside STEM Academy.
- Students will be transported to the proposed school from their home high schools via bus.

2 The proposed project will advance STEM education currently being taught at RUSD campuses throughout the district.

- Up to 20% of all RUSD students will be reached annually through after-school programming and field trips.
- The STEM High School will add a needed and unique, themed interdisciplinary approach to the RUSD STEM Program.
- As jobs of the future will continue to emerge out of STEM-related education, we need to expand our STEM Program to reach more of our students.

3 UC Riverside is the only location that puts our students at the regional center of advanced learning about STEM.

- UCR is a research-based, public institution - an innovative campus atmosphere ideal for the proposed STEM High School.
- The Education Center and High School will host STEM events for the community and demonstrate STEM solutions to modern challenges.

4 92% of Measure O funds are targeted to 47 other RUSD schools or projects.

- 8% of Measure O, \$32 million, will fund half of the cost of the proposed STEM High School. State and other funding will be secured for the matching remainder.
- Measure O will fund improvements at all RUSD high schools and help create three new neighborhood elementary schools.

5 A lot of steps are ahead before construction begins or opening day.

- The next step is to start an environmental review that takes about 12 months and includes identifying impacts and potential solutions.
- The current goal is to open the proposed educational center and school in the fall of 2025.