

# RUSD STEM High School at UCR The Project

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## Building A Bright Future Together

Riverside Unified School District (RUSD) and the University of California Riverside (UCR) are partnering to create a proposed, new public high school to prepare students for careers in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM), which follows along with Riverside's commitment to being a city of innovation. UCR, RUSD and the City of Riverside have a rich history of innovation, such as UCR's start back in 1907 as the Riverside Citrus Experiment Station. This proposed STEM High School now has this same spirit - to showcase Riverside's forethought for the needs of the next generation.

## STEM High School at UCR

Highlights of the proposed STEM High School at UCR are:

### WHO: PROJECT ROLES

RUSD is the project developer with project approval over funding and facility operations. UCR is the property owner and has approval over use of the land. The City of Riverside has approval oversight for offsite improvements.

### WHAT: THE FACILITY

This proposed school is envisioned to be a three-story, state-of-the-art facility with approximately 30 classrooms, commons, labs, parking, a kitchen, and outdoor learning spaces. It is proposed to accommodate approximately 800 students.

### WHEN: THE PROCESS

Many factors may impact the project timeline. Currently, first day of classes is envisioned to be in 2024; steps to that opening are: initial evaluation and due diligence on the proposed site, formal environmental review, local and state agency approvals, Board of Regents approval, Board of Education approval, bidding and construction, then enrollment.

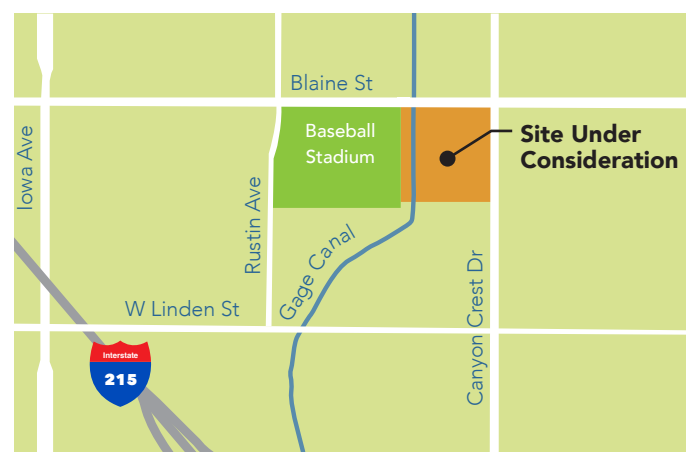
### WHERE: THE SITE

The site is still being determined. Due diligence is currently focused on a proposed six-acre site at Blaine Street and Canyon Crest Drive.

### WHY: THE VISION

For students, the proposed school will build greater student interest in STEM, pathways into college and career development. For RUSD and UCR, it will help serve the educational needs of a broader cross-section of the community. For the city and region, it will help attract and retain businesses and provide local workforce in these critical fields.

### VICINITY MAP



# The Project

## Following a Tradition of Partnerships

The proposed STEM High School, which is envisioned as a Nation’s Model STEM High School, will be the first public high school on a university campus in Riverside County. It follows other successful examples of school district/university partnerships nationwide, such as these public and private collaborations in California:

SCHOOL	OPENED	ENROLLMENT	GRADES
International Polytechnic High School at Cal Poly Pomona	1993	550	9–12
California Academy of Mathematics and Science at Cal State Dominguez Hills	1993	680	9–12
The Preuss School at UC San Diego	1999	846	6–12
University High School at Cal State Fresno	2000	520	9–12
Geffen Academy at UCLA	2017	363	6–12

## Funding - Investing in Our Future

The proposed STEM High School has a projected cost of \$64 million. UCR is providing the land through a long-term lease to RUSD, saving the District significant site land acquisition costs. Funds from Measure O, a bond passed by voters in 2016, are expected to fund approximately half of the project cost, roughly \$30 million, with the remainder of funding from CTE grants and state of California funding.

Measure O is already making a difference throughout the District. Projects currently in planning or construction receiving first phase Measure O funding include:

- **ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS (11) | AVERAGE ATTENDANCE: 807**  
 Jackson, Adams, Alcott, Monroe, Jefferson, Fremont, Longfellow, Madison, Highgrove, Magnolia, Harrison
- **MIDDLE SCHOOLS (2) | AVERAGE ATTENDANCE: 829**  
 Sierra, University Heights
- **HIGH SCHOOLS (3) | AVERAGE ATTENDANCE: 1928**  
 Arlington, King, Poly
- **EARLY EDUCATION CENTERS (1)**  
 Sunshine Early Childhood Center
- **PROPOSED NEW SCHOOLS (4)**  
 Elementary Schools: Casa Blanca, Eastside, Spring Mtn Ranch  
 STEM High School
- **UNINCORPORATED RIVERSIDE COUNTY**

