



## Tucson Unified School District

**Project Name:** TUSD Magnet School Program

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**Number of Schools Served:** 3

**Number of Students Served:** 1,176

**Year 1 Funding:** \$2,376,751

Tucson Unified School District (TUSD), the oldest and second-largest school district in Arizona, is an urban school district with more than 55,000 students. Within its 106 schools, 8,050 students (14 percent) are English language learners who speak 75 different languages. Local demographics have shifted dramatically during the past 10 years; in particular, the number of Hispanic students has been increasing. However, TUSD is facing a declining total enrollment.

With funding from the Magnet Schools Assistance Program (MSAP), TUSD will expand magnet offerings and attempt to reduce and prevent racial group isolation. The three MSAP-funded schools and magnet themes are as follows:

Magnet School	Magnet Theme
Ochoa Community Magnet	Reggio Emilio
Robison Magnet	International Baccalaureate Primary Years Programme
Safford K-8 Magnet	International Baccalaureate Primary Years Programme and Middle Years Programme

Robison Magnet and Ochoa Community Magnet are both creating new magnet programs. Safford K-8 Magnet is significantly revising its magnet program by adding elementary grades and converting to the International Baccalaureate Primary Years Programme and Middle Years Programme. Safford K-8 Magnet will become a feeder for the existing International Baccalaureate high school in the area.