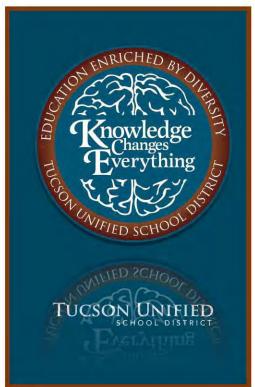
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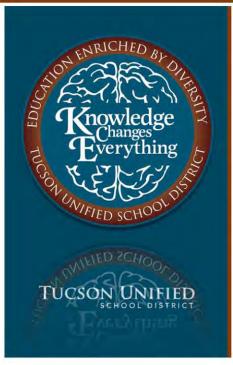
# **Get the Facts**

### Students in integrated schools:

- Benefit from a higher level of parental involvement
- Graduate at higher rates
- · Complete more years of education
- Earn higher degrees and major in more varied disciplines
- Gain greater access to professional jobs
- Earn higher incomes, even when controlling for a number of other background characteristics.

Source: Kirwan Institute

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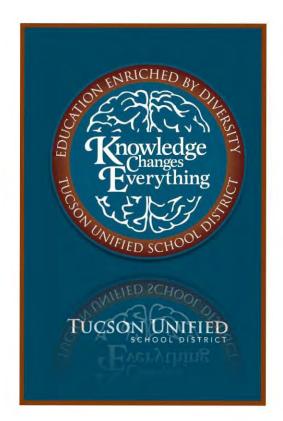


## **Get the Facts**

Because students of different races and ethnic backgrounds often bring different cultural knowledge and social perspectives into schools, classrooms with racially diverse groups of students are more likely to enhance critical thinking by exposing students to new information and understandings.

Source: Teaching Tolerance, A Project of the Southern Poverty Law Center

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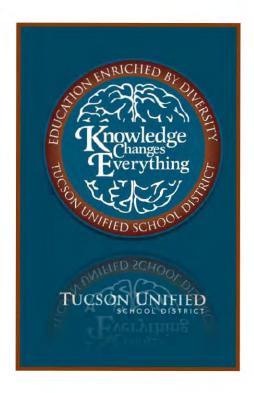


## **Get the Facts**

**96 percent** of major employers say it is **important** that employees be 'comfortable working with colleagues, customers, and/or clients from **diverse** cultural backgrounds.'

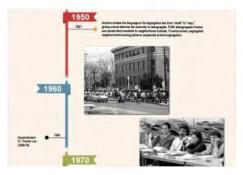
Source: The Century Foundation

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## **Did You Know?**

Conversations about segregation and desegregation in Tucson Unified School District started more than 100 years ago? View our online timeline to learn what has happened from 1908 to today.



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#### Portion of Knowledge Changes Everything web page (<a href="www.tusd1.org/knowledge">www.tusd1.org/knowledge</a>)



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### Knowledge changes everything



#### How diversity can make a difference



For years, scholars in the fields of education and civil rights have studied diversity and its effects on students. Until the Civil Rights movement, many American school districts were segregated. Over time, through hard work and research, our leaders came to realize that diversity in schools was vitally important for education and society as a whole.

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Study after study found that students who learn among a diverse group of classmates reap benefits, including higher scores on standardized tests, better preparation for the work place, and, importantly, becoming the global citizens that our world requires.

Tucson Unified School District, which is integrated as a whole, has been working to integrate its schools for decades. For over 30

years, the District has been under federal court oversight. In February 2013, the federal court adopted the Unitary Status Plan (USP) aimed at guiding TUSD



Tucson Unified School District prides itself on being on the cutting edge of best practices in education. As a district with 89 schools and programs and more than 48,000 students from all walks of life, we know the importance of diversity and the benefits of learning from each other.

Our Knowledge Changes Everything initiative celebrates the power of that diversity.

When children can work with children from other cultures, all are enriched. In Tucson Unified, we have a multitude of schools that are diverse, and parents are in the driver seat for choosing which schools make the most sense for their children.

What we want to promote is this idea that even though we are different, we can come together and be stronger. We can be stronger because of all those unique characteristics that, once bound

### Sampling of video links for Knowledge Changes Everything

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Xpi7kZeZ0Iw

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nUwG398U3Eo

http://www.tusd1.org/contents/distinfo/knowledge/videos.asp

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