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## MEDIA RELEASE

## Sunnyside Photography Students Cover Campus with Project Smile Portraits

What: Sunnyside photo students install 268 large portraits to surprise staff and students
When: Installation is Saturday, April 2, 2022 -- 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
Where: Sunnyside High School, 1019 S. Peach Ave. (93727)

Photography students from Sunnyside High School will present Project Smile to fellow students on Monday, April 4. Sunnyside's Project Smile consists of 268 black and white 3-by-4-foot portrait posters covering columns, quad walls, and the face of each staircase. Students in teacher Tamela Ryatt's classes took photos of students and staff against a black and white backdrop to promote happiness on their campus. More than 100 students will spend over six hours pasting the posters around campus on Saturday, surprising students and staff who arrive on campus Monday morning. The photo mural will be up for Sunnyside's Showcase event for parents and future students through the rest of the school year.

Media is invited to capture the installation of the posters around campus on Saturday, April 2.
"This project, wonderful smiling faces of Sunnyside staff and students, will bring joy to the campus and the Sunnyside community. Our students are practicing real-world skills while also honoring our district's value of people and our community," said Superintendent Bob Nelson.

