

## **Case Studies**

## Oak Park Unified School District, Oak Park, CA

The Oak Park Unified School District, located in southern California outside of Los Angeles, installed hydrations stations at all their school sites, consisting of 3 elementary schools, 1 middle school, and 2 high schools with a total enrollment of about 4000 students.

The units were installed at cafeteria, gym, and library locations.

According to the school district, the hydration stations cost about \$850/unit. District officials stated that other options were more expensive and required more maintenance. The handsfree dispensers provide clean, chilled water to students. To promote the effort to boost water consumption, the local PTA sold school logo aluminum water containers. Students use the stations mostly during lunch, physical education, and athletic events. Students, parents, and staff all have positive feedback and the district reports that they are able to meet sustainability goals by decreasing single-use plastic bottle waste.

For a case study of this project written up by the company that installed the units, please click <u>here</u>.

