



VUSD Information Night

Nov. 3, 2022

Before We Begin

Tonight's presentation can be found at
www.venturausd.org/enrollment/infonight

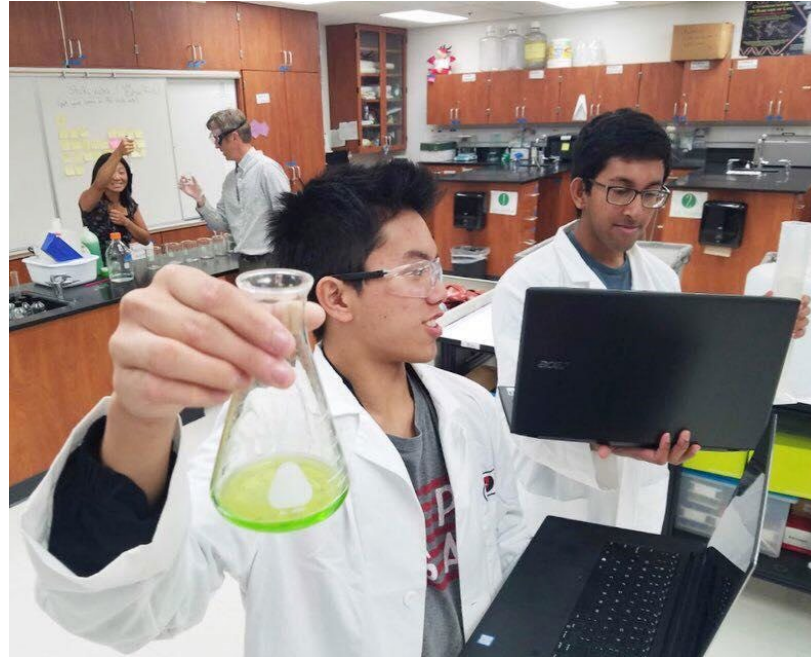
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en la mesa de información**

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VENTURA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT



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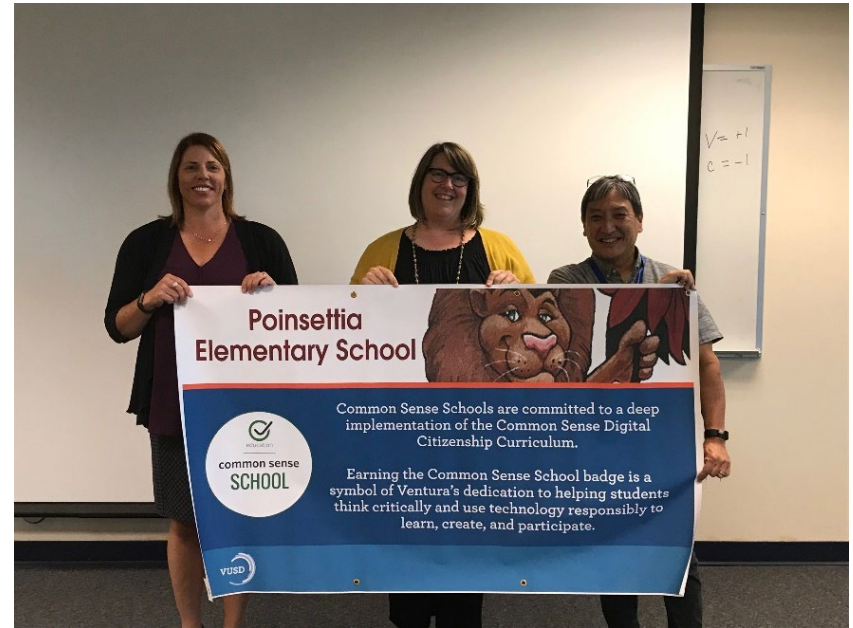
VUSD Facts

- The District is made up of:
 - Approximately 15,000 students
 - 2000 staff
 - An early childhood education program (Jumpstart)
 - 26 schools: Elementary, K-8, Middle, and High Schools
 - An Adult and Continuing Education Center (VACE)
 - Independent Study options (Homestead, FLEX and El Camino High School at Ventura College)



Rankings & Distinctions

- All high schools are fully accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC)
- Many of our schools are
 - CA Distinguished Schools
 - CA Green Ribbon Schools
 - National Blue Ribbon Schools



Magnet Schools

- VUSD offers eight magnet schools, each with a unique focus:
 - ATLAS- Academy of Technology & Leadership at Saticoy
 - DATA- DeAnza Academy of Technology & the Arts
 - E.P. Foster Science, Technology, Engineering & Math
 - Foothill Technology High School
 - Mound Magnet for Science and Global Citizenship
 - Montalvo Arts Academy & Two-Way Immersion School
 - Sheridan Way Academy of International Language Study
 - Will Rogers Two-Way Immersion School of Environmental Science

Career and Technical Education

- Real-world opportunities to build skills
- Beneficial for those who are headed towards careers or college after graduation.
- Aligns students and learning with growing industries
- Pathways at all high schools
- All CTE classes fulfill A-G requirements

<https://vusdcareereducation.org>



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Where Do Our Graduates Go?

- Our students graduate high school and move on to:
 - Apprenticeships
 - Armed Forces
 - Careers
 - Community Colleges
 - CSUs and UCs
 - Internships
 - Private Universities



Pathways to Enroll

1) Neighborhood Boundary Schools

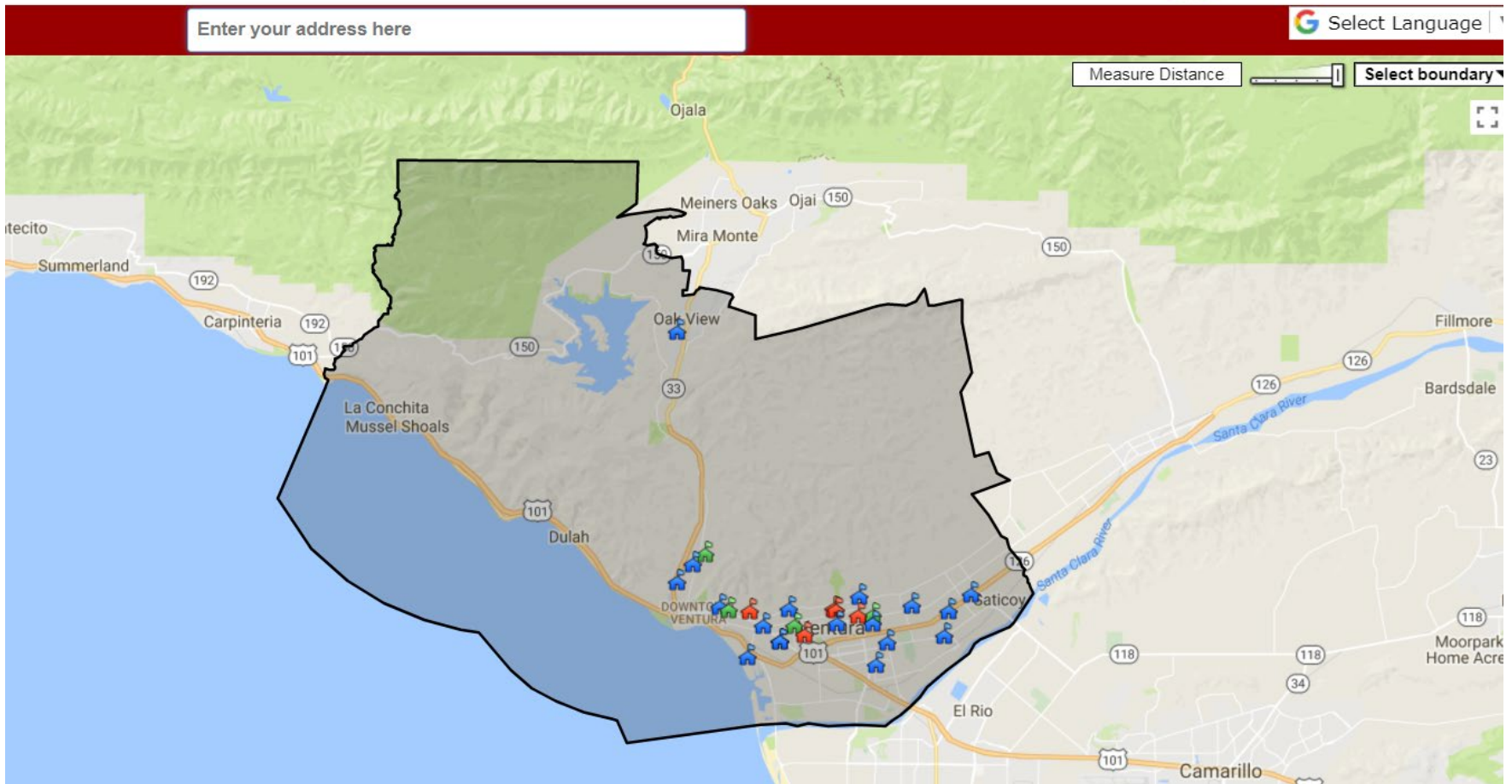
2) Schools of Choice

3) *Intradistrict* Transfers

4) *Interdistrict* Transfers



Locating Your Neighborhood Boundary School



http://bit.ly/myschool_locator

Enrollment

www.venturausd.org

- If you do not submit a Schools of Choice Lottery application, TK/K enrollment begins in Spring of 2023. The process is done online.
- Schools of Choice- open to all VUSD boundary residents for grades TK-12 (regardless if your student is a current student). **Lottery application window is Nov. 4 - Dec. 2, 2022.** Application will be available online www.venturausd.org.
- Current VUSD 5th graders will register for middle school courses through their current elementary school sites in Spring 2023- your school will be in touch with you
- Current VUSD 8th graders will register for high school courses through their current middle school site in Spring 2023 – your school will be in touch with you
- New to VUSD students must enroll online. Online enrollment paperwork will be available at www.venturausd.org in Spring 2023 after the Schools of Choice lottery ends. Support with online enrollment will be available.



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School of Choice (SOC)

- Ability for families to choose the school that best fits the needs of their child
- All VUSD schools except those with a placement process- Homestead, El Camino, and Pacific
- Available to students who currently reside in the Ventura Unified School District boundary.



Schools of Choice (SOC) Continued

- Number of SOC seats available is based on school enrollment.
- The process is a lottery, *not* based on a first-come, first-served basis.
- Student selection is done through a computerized, random, unbiased lottery.
- Submission of SOC application is required for all students including siblings.
- The “sibling rule” applies to any sibling of a student currently attending that site and who will also attend the 2023-2024 school year.
- Multiples- Twins, triplets, etc. are given one entry into the lottery as they would all get in if chosen through the lottery, but all must apply.





School of Choice (SOC) Cont.

- When your child is accepted to a School of Choice (kindergarten or above) the student may remain through the final grade level of that school (5th, 8th, or 12th) without reapplying each year (with the exception of K-8 schools who must reapply for grade 6).
- TK school of choice acceptance is **ONLY** good for their TK year. TK students must reapply for SOC if they want to attend a non-boundary school for kindergarten.

Transportation to School of Choice

Transportation is not provided to Schools of Choice students except for those attending:

DATA Middle School
&
Foothill Technology High School



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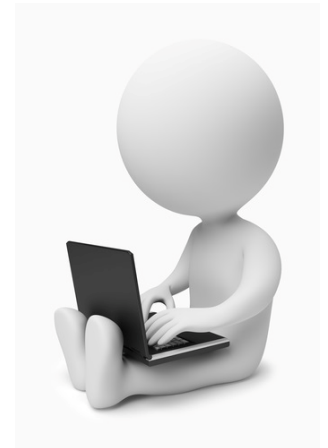
Schools of Choice Online Application

To enter the lottery, a family needs to submit the online application during the “Schools of Choice” window:

November 4 - December 2, 2022

The online application will be available on all school and District websites: www.venturausd.org

Parents/guardians will be notified about their lottery status by mail and email in January 2023.



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Transfers

Based on Availability and Program Needs

Intradistrict Transfers

- In VUSD boundary
- Requesting a different VUSD boundary school
- Based on space
- Reviewed annually, which are good until 5th, 8th and 12th grade.

Interdistrict Transfers

- Out of VUSD boundary
- Requesting permission to enter VUSD
- Based on space
- Must be approved by current home District first
- Transfer acceptance is good for five years but reviewed annually.

Transitional Kindergarten (TK) & Kindergarten

- TK is the first year of a two year kindergarten program that uses a modified kindergarten curriculum that is age and developmentally appropriate.
- In the 2023–24 school year, a child who will have their fifth birthday between September 2, 2023 and April 2, 2024 qualifies for TK.

What's Next This Evening?

School and Services Fair

Representatives from each school and service department are here to provide information and answer your questions!

- All VUSD schools including Adult Education are located in the Gym
- All service departments are located in the Cafeteria such as:
 - Special Education
 - Transportation
 - Human Resources
 - Food and Nutrition
 - Expanded Learning
 - Independent Study
 - Schools of Choice and Enrollment
 - More!



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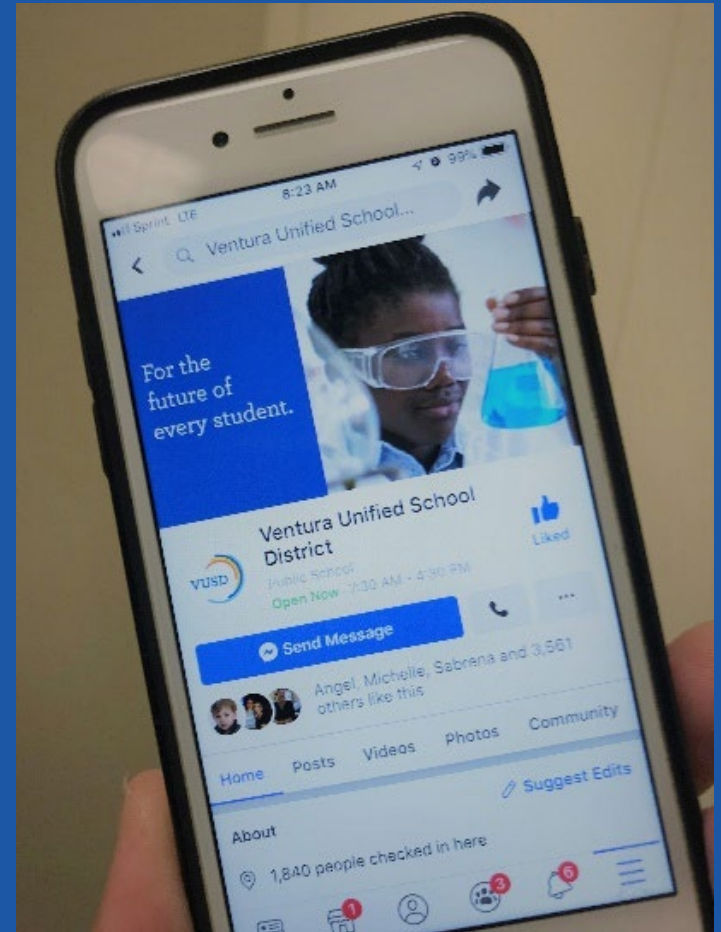
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Website: www.venturausd.org



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