

Santa Clara County
Office of Education
Alternative Education
Community Schools
Consolidation Plan

Mayor's Gang Task Force
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Setting the Context

‘Why now?’

- Budget constraints - deficit reduction
- Utilization of existing facilities
- Enhancement and access to multiple programs and services
- Feedback from ALL stakeholders

= Consolidation of three schools to two schools:

Closure of Redemption-Calero

Novo -> Community School @ **Sunol**

Pathfinder -> Community School @ **Snell**

Budget Deficit Reduction

SAVINGS 2011-2012 = \$ 1.2 million

Reduction:

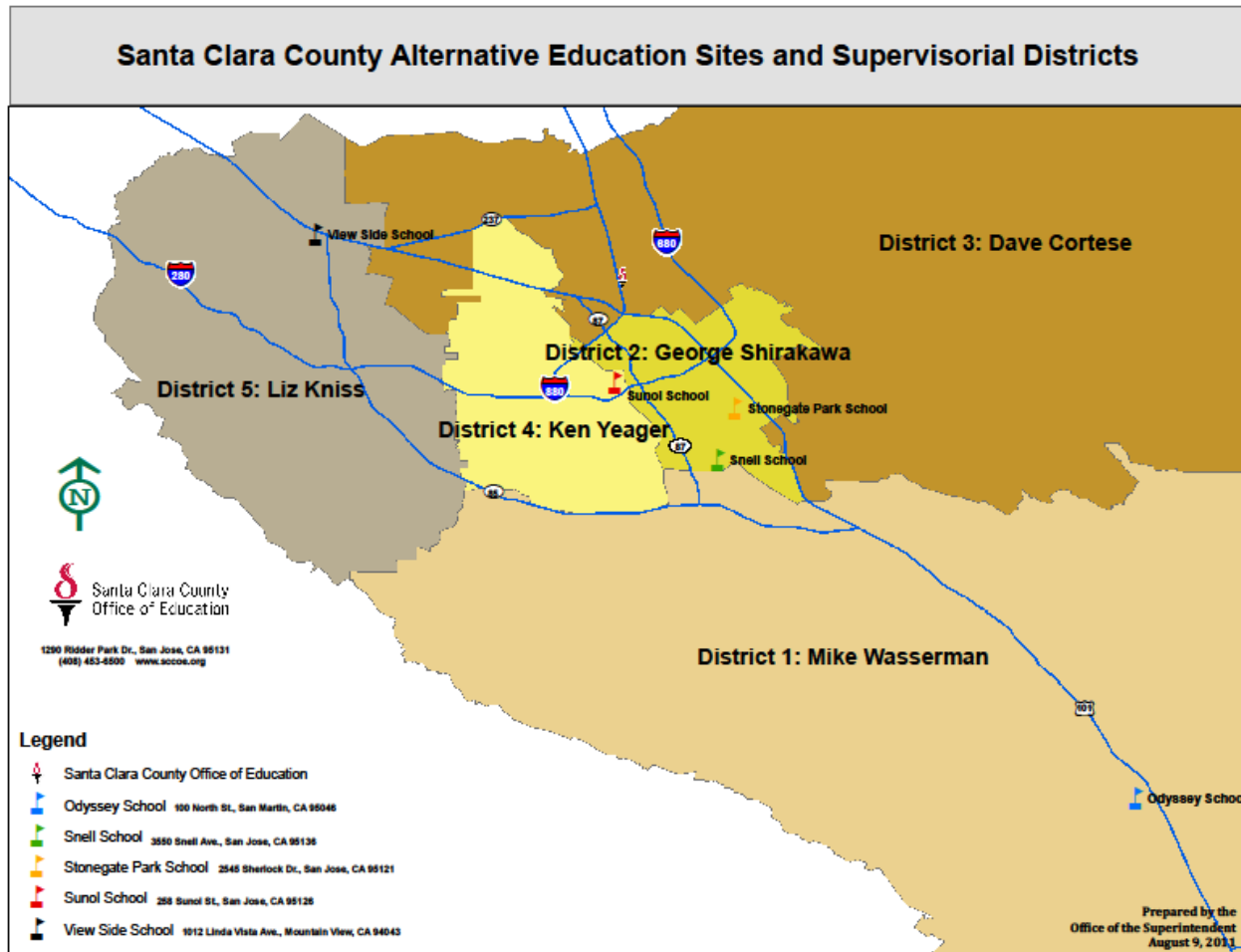
- Site lease, Principal, School Office Coordinator, Utilities, Classified, Class-size

Remaining Deficit:

- \$250,000
- No reduction in security

School Locations

'Where are the sites?'



Enrollment

Site	2010-11	2011-12	
		Current Enrollment	Capacity
Redemption	72	0	0
Snell	69	72	150
Sunol	88	57	125
Independent Study	55	24	N/A
Total	284	162	275

Developing a Plan

‘What impacted our decision?’

- Multiple stakeholder input meetings
- Studying other Community School models
- Literature review best practices
- West Ed Evaluation report
- Student demographics and data reports
- State requirements compliance: Program Improvement and WASC accreditation
- Action Collaborative Transformation (ACT) Strategic Plan

Guiding Principles

‘What criteria guide our decision?’

- Student and staff safety
- High quality educational program
- Resources for students and families
social/emotional well-being
- Minimal disruption for concurrent students
- Student placement options
- Access to public transportation
- Student/staff relationships

Transition Plan

‘How will we place students?’

- Review student placement list
- Identify student needs and concerns
- Consult district, probation, staff, family
- Select school
- Define educational schedule
- Conduct student intake meeting prior to school
- Conduct student orientation

Program Supports

‘What will we do?’

- Staggered start/end times (1 hour)
- Provide transportation to VTA and bus
- Coordinate SJPD, Probation, CYO, safety officer resources
- Coordinate additional SCCOE admin support
- Establish common dress
- Work closely with community resources

Program Supports

‘What will we do?’

- Establish career technical education options
- Provide Parent Project training
- Establish student leadership teams
- Establish mentor/mentee program
- Leverage SARB program/San Jose BEST
- Develop extra curricular activities
- Be flexible if need arises change student placement

Next Steps

‘How will we monitor/evaluate?’

- Solicit ongoing community feedback
- Gather data - attendance, suspension, incidents, anecdotal
- Meet regularly with community partners, school district officials
- Prepare quarterly reports

Collaborative Effort

‘How can we work together“?’

WE NEED YOU!

- Communication updates
- Data gathering
- Leverage our resources
- Visit our sites