



**Los Angeles County
Office of Education**

Serving Students ■ Supporting Communities ■ Leading Educators

Community Schools

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It starts with a mission...

Improving the lives of students and our educational community through service, leadership, and advocacy.



Purpose

The purpose of the Community Schools Initiative is to build equity for students by highlighting areas of need and leveraging community resources so that students are healthy, prepared for college, and career and civic ready.

Community Schools Initiative Support for LACOE's Strategic Priorities

- ***Improving Student Outcomes***
- ***Supporting Trauma and Resiliency-Informed Practices***
- ***Strengthening Community Partnerships by Building New Alliances and Networks***

What does a community school look like?

A Community School is a **public school** – the **hub** of its neighborhood, uniting **families, educators and community partners** to provide all students with **top-quality academics, enrichment, health and social services, and opportunities** to succeed in school and in life.

Participating Districts

- Antelope Valley Union High
- Azusa Unified
- Baldwin Park Unified
- Bassett Unified
- Bellflower Unified
- Compton Unified
- Duarte Unified
- Inglewood Unified
- Lynwood Unified
- Montebello Unified
- Norwalk-La Mirada
- Paramount Unified
- Pasadena Unified
- Pomona Unified
- Santa Monica-Malibu Unified

Expected Student Outcomes

The goals are to improve the academic, emotional, and physical well-being of participating students so they improve their educational outcomes.

Four key goals:

- 1) An increase in graduation rates.
- 2) A decrease in chronic absenteeism and dropout rates.
- 3) A reduction in suspensions.
- 4) An increase in family engagement.

Evidence-based School Improvement Framework

A high quality Community School will demonstrate the following characteristics:

- Integrated student supports
- Expanded learning time and opportunities,
- Active parent and community engagement
- Collaborative leadership and practices

Strategic Elements

- Full-time coordinator
- Dedicated parent engagement facilitator
- Systematic needs assessment
- Site-based community based leadership
- Stakeholder engagement
- Data-driven decision making with shared accountability for results
- Partnerships

Partnerships

CEO

Chief Executive Office
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES



Milestones

	TIMELINE
June 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dr. Duardo meets with the CEO's office to discuss the mission
July 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Workgroup is convened at LACOE
September 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Identification of districts
October-November 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Collaborative site visits
January 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• CSI director hired, Board of Supervisors Motion
Feb-March 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Strengthening the relationship with districts
April 2019 Board of Supervisors	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Board of Supervisors approves motion

Challenges

- Collection of Data
- MOU's
- School Site Priorities

Next Steps

- LA County/LACOE Meeting
- Implementation Plans
- Upcoming meeting
- Staff on site

“It takes a village (community) to raise a child”-African Proverb

