

LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Inter-Office Correspondence

TO: Members, Board of Education

DATE: March 31, 2008

FROM: David L. Brewer III



SUBJECT: 2008-09 PROPOSITION 39 OFFERS

April 1 is the deadline for the District to extend 2008-09 Proposition 39 offers to charter school which have requested space. There were 54 requests totaling 12,695 secondary seats and 2,463 elementary seats. Through extensive analysis and site reviews of 62 District campuses, we have finalized offers for 39 of the 54 requests received.

To identify available space, School Management Services produced a report of available seats within the District utilizing the following criteria:

- The calculations include a reserve of 50 seats for elementary schools and 75 seats for secondary schools.
- 2008-09 operating capacity is based on 2007 norm day data with reserve seats subtracted.
- Secondary operating capacity is based on no traveling.
- Multi-track space is eligible and is offered following the same calendar as the corresponding District campus.
- Resident and mandatory integration program students (i.e. Permit with Transportation, Capacity Adjustment Program, NCLB Public School Choice and Magnet) are accommodated.
- New open enrollment and permits such as Childcare, Work-related, Overcrowded and SAS will be evaluated at the Spring Enrollment Roadshow on a case-by-case basis.
- Set-a-sides are held at their previously approved amount in the operating capacity calculations.

After identifying available space, School Management Services and the Facilities Division met with each Local District Superintendent to determine possible Proposition 39 co-locations. Local District Directors and Facilities Division staff conducted site reviews at each campus to verify space availability and document principals' concerns and input.

Attached, is a list of the 2008-09 offers that will be extended on April 1 to ensure District compliance with Proposition 39. Please note that 15 of the 54 charter applications have yet to be satisfied and the Charter Schools Division will continue to work with School Management Services and the Facilities Division to identify available space. In the event charter applicant declines their 2008-09 Proposition 39 offer, we will extend the offer to another charter applicant until we have met our obligation to provide offers to all applicants. Charter applicants who have received an offer on April 1 have until May 1, 2008, to accept or decline.

I recognize the instructional and operational challenges our schools will face in implementing Proposition 39 co-locations and have designated staff to preserve the integrity of our academic programs (for example, SLCs) to the extent possible while maintaining compliance with the Proposition 39 law.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call Greg McNair at (213) 241-7646.

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