



## **New Pacific Charter School Staff Report**

# **Folsom Cordova Unified School District**

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**Background:** New Pacific School, under Pacific Charter Institute, submitted a petition to establish a new charter school on 9/3/21. Components of the proposed program include:

- ▶ Grades Served: TK-12 in multi-age classrooms
- ▶ Educational Focus: Trauma Informed SEL Framework, CA Standards aligned curriculum with
  - ▶ Student-centered academic approach
  - ▶ Individual Learning Growth Plan
- ▶ Target Students: Students with chronic absenteeism from CM, CG, CV, RCE, WR, Mills, Mitchell, CHS, KHS



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California Education Code 47605(c) sets forth the guidelines to consider in reviewing charter petitions.

Findings are divided into 3 categories including:

- ▶ Areas Considered Met
- ▶ Areas Considered Deficient
- ▶ **Areas Considered Significantly Deficient:** note that these items support the staff findings and recommendation for denial of the petition

Full Report can be found at:

[https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1-Widz\\_3jbjhUMnOzn3AocJqjMDg-8gFw?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1-Widz_3jbjhUMnOzn3AocJqjMDg-8gFw?usp=sharing)

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**Summary of Findings:** following a comprehensive review and analysis of the petition by FCUSD, **Denial** of the petition is recommended based on the following Recommended Findings of Fact:

1. New Pacific School is demonstrably unlikely to successfully implement the program set forth in the petition; and
2. The petition does not contain reasonably comprehensive descriptions of the required elements of a charter petition; and
3. New Pacific School is demonstrably unlikely to serve the interests of the entire community in which the school is proposing to locate.  
Analysis of this finding shall include consideration of the fiscal impact of the proposed charter school.

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## **Areas Considered Met:**

- Description of Vision, Mission and Educational Program
- Student Progress Measurement
- Admission Requirements
- Annual Independent Financial Audits
- Suspension and Expulsion Procedures
- Public School Attendance Alternatives
- Closure Procedures
- Financial/Administrative Plan
- Charter Management Organization, i.e., Entities Managing Charter Schools
- Impact Statement

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## **Areas Considered Deficient:**

- Measurable Student Outcomes
- Governance Structure
- Health and Safety Procedures
- Racial and Ethnic Balance
- California State Teachers Retirement System
- Dispute Resolution Procedures

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## **Areas Considered Significantly Deficient\*:**

- Qualifications to be Met by Individuals Employed by New Pacific School
- Post-Employment Rights of Employees
- Facilities
- Community Impact
- Special Education
- Required Affirmations
- The petition does not contain the number of signatures required by statute

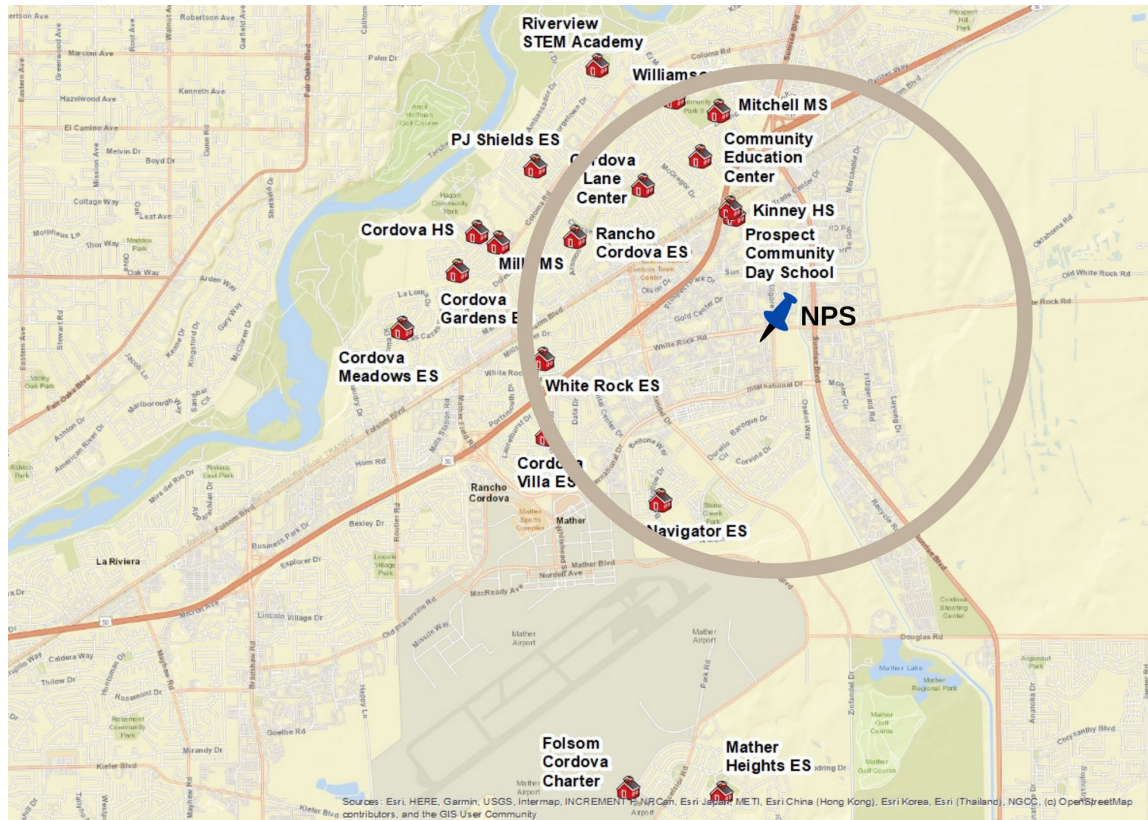
\*Note that these items support the staff findings and recommendation for denial of the petition and analysis will be provided under findings

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**Finding 1:** New Pacific School is demonstrably unlikely to successfully implement the program set forth in the petition:

- **New Pacific School has not demonstrated they can support target students.**
- Qualifications by individuals to be employed by New Pacific School
- Special Education
- Required Affirmations
- Required Signatures

# Walking distances from FCUSD sites



School site	Distance*	Estimated time to walk*
Navigator Elementary	1.8 miles	35 minutes
Cordova Villa Elementary	2 miles	40 minutes
Williamson Elementary	2.3 miles	46 minutes
Rancho Cordova Elementary	2.4 miles	48 minutes
White Rock Elementary	2.5 miles	50 minutes
Peter J. Shields Elementary	2.9 miles	1 hour
Cordova Gardens Elementary	3.1 miles	1 hour 2 minutes
Cordova Meadows Elementary	3.2 miles	1 hour, 3 minutes
W.E. Mitchell Middle School	2.4 miles	47 minutes
Mills Middle School	2.8 miles	55 minutes
Cordova High School	3.1 miles	1 hour

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**Finding 2:** The Petition does not Contain Reasonably Comprehensive Descriptions of all Required Elements:

- Post-Employment Rights of Employees
  - Petition does not contain a reasonably comprehensive description of reemployment rights, and how sick leave, vacation leave and service credits will be provided to employees upon separation.
- Facilities
  - While a location has been identified, a facility has not been secured.
  - Petition lacks assurances of all legal compliance with health and safety, ADA, and applicable building codes.

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**Finding 3:** New Pacific School is Demonstrably unlikely to Serve the interests of the Entire Community in which the School is Proposing to Locate:

- Community Impact
  - Fiscal Impact
  - Duplicity in Proposed Program
  - Capacity

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## Fiscal Impact

Year	Enrollment at New Pacific School	100% Enrollment from FCUSD	50% Enrollment from FCUSD
2022-2023	90	\$815,585	\$409,792
2023-2024	177	\$1,645,632	\$822,816
2024-2025	202	\$2,070,144	\$1,035,072

Based on Local Control Funding Formula Average Daily Attendance rate of 95%

**Programs and curriculum proposed by New Pacific School as compared to those offered at FCUSD schools**

<b>Folsom Cordova USD - Currently offered</b>	<b>New Pacific School - Proposed</b>
<b>Project-Based Learning</b>	<b>Project-Based learning</b>
<b>Individual Learning Plans</b>	<b>Individual Learning Plans</b>
<b>Social Emotional Learning</b>	<b>Social Emotional Learning</b>
<b>College and Career Readiness</b>	<b>College and Career Readiness</b>
<b>Professional Development for Teachers</b>	<b>Professional Development for Teachers</b>

To view a more detailed side by side comparison of programs and curriculum, please visit: [www.fcusd.org/NPScompare](http://www.fcusd.org/NPScompare)

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In accordance with California Education Code 47605, The New Pacific School will be afforded equivalent time to respond to the staff report and recommended findings of fact.

Any member of the public will have an opportunity to voice their input or opinion regarding the petition to establish the New Pacific School.

If the Board of Education denies the New Pacific School charter petition, the proposed charter school may appeal the decision to the Sacramento County Board of Education within 30 days of the denial determination