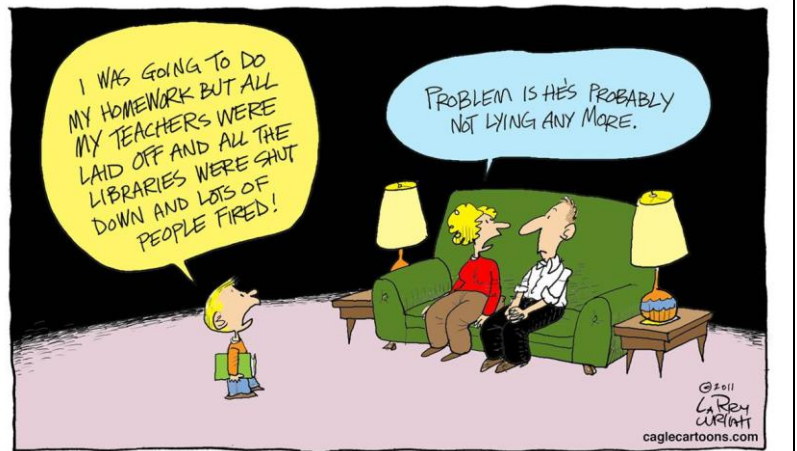


VNC EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING

Chair: Pete Thottam
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Location: Westminster School
Elementary Auditorium
1010 Abbot Kinney Boulevard;
Venice, CA, 90291

Date: Saturday, March 12, 2011;
Time: 2 - 5 pm



(In addition to Public Comments, Board of Ed District 4 member, Steve Zimmer, will be present and will speak to the Prop 39 & Charter School issues affecting the Venice & Mar Vista family of schools. We will also have representatives from UTLA (tentative) and Green Dot speaking on behalf of both organizations.)

AGENDA

1. Call to Order and Roll Call
2. Approval of Agenda & Welcome from VNC Education Chair, Pete Thottam.
3. **COMMUNITY FORUM DISCUSSION RE PROP 39 & CHARTER SCHOOLS:** The March 12th meeting's focus will be gathering public comments on Prop. 39's impact (current and pending) from Venice stakeholders. Please note that no actual vote will be taken at the meeting.

The meeting is being held to obtain community feedback and for the VNC board to gauge the range of perspectives existing on area Co-location & Set-Asides, particularly for parents & teachers of school children enrolled at Westminster Elementary and Walgrove Elementary. We will discuss the complex factors & events since 2000's voter passage of Prop. 39 as a constitutional amendment. We will also talk about the potential negative effects of Prop. 39's local implementation, about recent API & enrollment trends at our local schools (positive & negative), about the two Prop. 39 lawsuits that LAUSD lost and the apparent 'gag rules' that have informally been adopted by the District, LAUSD's funding crisis and the loss of federal stimulus funds after this year, & class underutilization concerns at LAUSD. Board member Steve Zimmer will be present as will be representatives from UTLA & Green Dot. Gary Walker, a reporter from the Argonaut, will be at the meeting to cover the comments & discussion.

Also for discussion (as time permits): (A). Steve Zimmer will present to the VNC on March 15th 2011 (location: Westminster Elementary School Auditorium near Abbot Kinney; 7 pm); (B). Michelle Rhee / Ex-Mayor Riordan / UTLA} VNC Fall Town Hall on Charter Schools; (C). Mark Twain "World Language Magnet" & Broadway/City Terrace dual language immersion programs (Mandarin/Spanish); (D). Nutritional programs / DOLE partnership; (E). LAUSD's new corporatization 'budget subsidy' initiatives.

4. Announcements & Public Comment on items not on the above Agenda.
5. Adjourn and Set Date for Next Meeting (tentative).

Proposition 39 [passed in Nov. 7, 2000 election – VNC Education Committee Background Fact Sheet (prepared by Chair, Pete Thottam) School Facilities. 55% Local Vote. Bonds, Taxes Accountability Requirements. (Initiative Constitutional Amendment and Statute)

5,402,822 / **53.3%** Yes votes 4,733,205 / **46.7%** No votes (Nov. 7, 2000)

Summary Prepared by the state Attorney General:

- Authorizes bonds for repair, construction or replacement of school facilities, classrooms, if approved by 55% local vote for projects evaluated by schools, community college districts, county education offices for safety, class size, and information technology needs.
- Accountability requirements include annual performance and financial audits on use of bond proceeds.
- Prohibits use of bond proceeds for salaries or operating expenses.
- **Requires facilities for public charter schools.**
- Authorizes property taxes in excess of 1% limit by 55% vote, rather than current two-thirds, as necessary to pay school bonds.

At least 6 schools in Venice’s family of Schools on Parent Revolution’s list of 75 schools are -- pursuant to some combination of the so-called ‘parent trigger’ option (*traditional public school to be converted to a charter school if more than 50 percent of the parents at a school sign a petition requesting such a change*) and/or LAUSD co-location & set-asides -- now experiencing the effects of charter conversion under CA’s Prop 39 law. These include:

Westminster Elementary, Walgrove Elementary, Grand View Elementary and Mark Twain Middle School in Mar Vista. Also: Stoner Avenue Elementary, Marina Del Rey Middle School.

DATA WEBSITE : <http://dq.cde.ca.gov/dataquest/>

The above site is compiled by Dept. of Education. It has a great deal of information & data regarding enrollment, go to Level: School, Subject: Enrollment and then press Submit. Then type the school name, make sure the right school is selected. The Time Series graphs are particularly useful. For example:

for Westminster El: <http://dq.cde.ca.gov/dataquest/DQ/EnrTimeRptSch.aspx?cYear=2009-10&Level=School&cName=WESTMINSTER+AVENUE+E&cCode=6019913&dCode=1964733>

for Mark Twain MS: <http://dq.cde.ca.gov/dataquest/DQ/EnrTimeRptSch.aspx?cYear=2009-10&Level=School&cName=MARK+TWAIN+MIDDLE+++++++&cCode=6058135&dCode=1964733>

For Walgrove El: <http://dq.cde.ca.gov/dataquest/DQ/EnrTimeRptSch.aspx?cYear=2009-10&Level=School&cName=WALGROVE+AVENUE+ELEMENTARY++++&cCode=6019822&dCode=1964733>

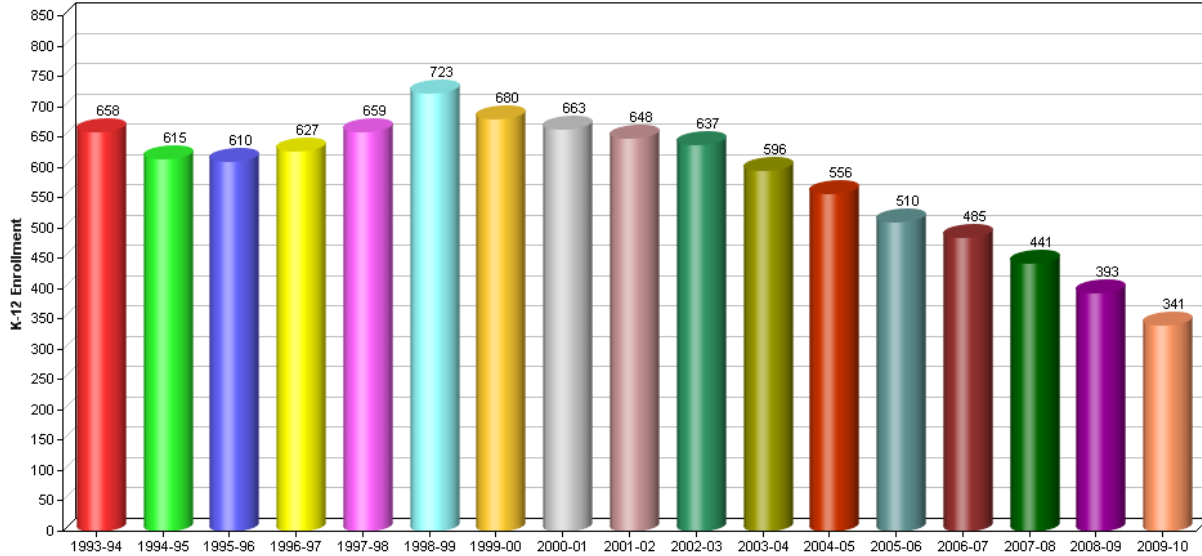
For Grandview El: <http://dq.cde.ca.gov/dataquest/DQ/EnrTimeRptSch.aspx?cYear=2009-10&Level=School&cName=GRAND+VIEW+BOULEVARD+ELEMENTAR&cCode=6017347&dCode=1964733>

K-12 Public School Enrollment

6019913-WESTMINSTER AVENUE E

Select Report:

Select School:



CDE » DataQuest » Enrollment Report

Enrollment by Ethnicity for 2009-10

School Enrollment by Ethnicity

Report:

Year:

School:

Gender:

Type:

2009-2010 (most recent data): 341 students total enrolled. 77% Hispanic. Student enrollment down from 441 in 2008 (see charts on next page). Currently, 4 empty bungalows and 2 empty classrooms.

Westminster Avenue Elementary Report

School	Code	Hispanic or Latino of Any Race	American Indian or Alaska Native, Not Hispanic	Asian, Not Hispanic	Pacific Islander, Not Hispanic	Filipino, Not Hispanic	African American, Not Hispanic	White, not Hispanic	Two or More Races, Not Hispanic	Not Reported	Total
Westminster Avenue Elementary	6019913	262	0	0	1	3	49	25	0	1	341

Report Total

Level	Code	Hispanic or Latino of Any Race	American Indian or Alaska Native, Not Hispanic	Asian, Not Hispanic	Pacific Islander, Not Hispanic	Filipino, Not Hispanic	African American, Not Hispanic	White, not Hispanic	Two or More Races, Not Hispanic	Not Reported	Total
Los Angeles Unified Total	1964733	493,379	2,188	25,308	2,190	11,618	68,970	60,012	1,887	5,193	670,745
Los Angeles Total	19	999,070	4,786	124,322	6,718	33,939	139,218	237,600	12,336	16,161	1,574,150
State Total	00	3,118,404	44,915	526,866	37,012	156,433	424,327	1,673,278	96,785	112,405	6,190,425

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Gender: All, Type: All Students

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Source: California Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System (CALPADS)



Enrollment by Grade for 2009-10 School Enrollment by Grade

Report:

Year:

School:

Gender:

Type:

Total Enrollment
341

Westminster Avenue Elementary Report

School	Code	K	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5	Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8	Ungr Elem	Grade 9	Grade 10
Westminster Avenue Elementary	6019913	48	47	53	67	57	69	0	0	0	0	0	0



Enrollment by Grade for 2008-09 School Enrollment by Grade

Report:

Year:

School:

Gender:

Type:

Total Enrollment
393

Westminster Avenue Elementary Report

School	Code	K	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5	Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8	Ungr Elem	Grade 9	Grade 10
Westminster Avenue Elementary	6019913	54	72	74	56	73	64	0	0	0	0	0	0



Enrollment by Grade for 2007-08 School Enrollment by Grade

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Type:

Total Enrollment
441

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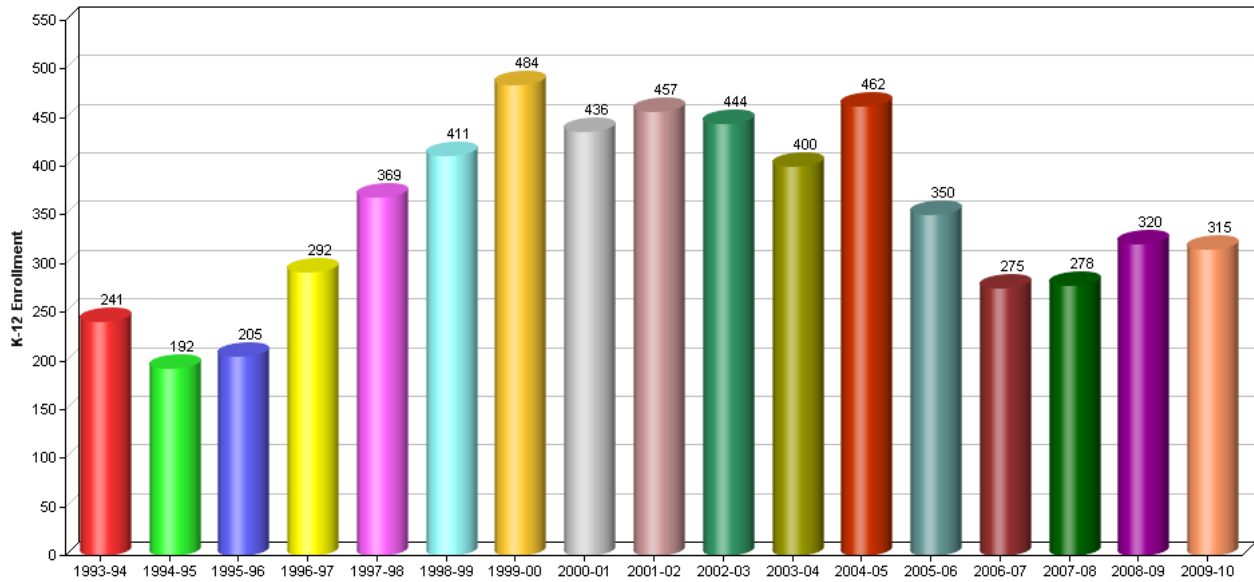
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Westminster Avenue Elementary	6019913	62	90	61	77	60	91	0	0	0	0	0	0



K-12 Public School Enrollment 6019822-WALGROVE AVENUE ELEMENTARY

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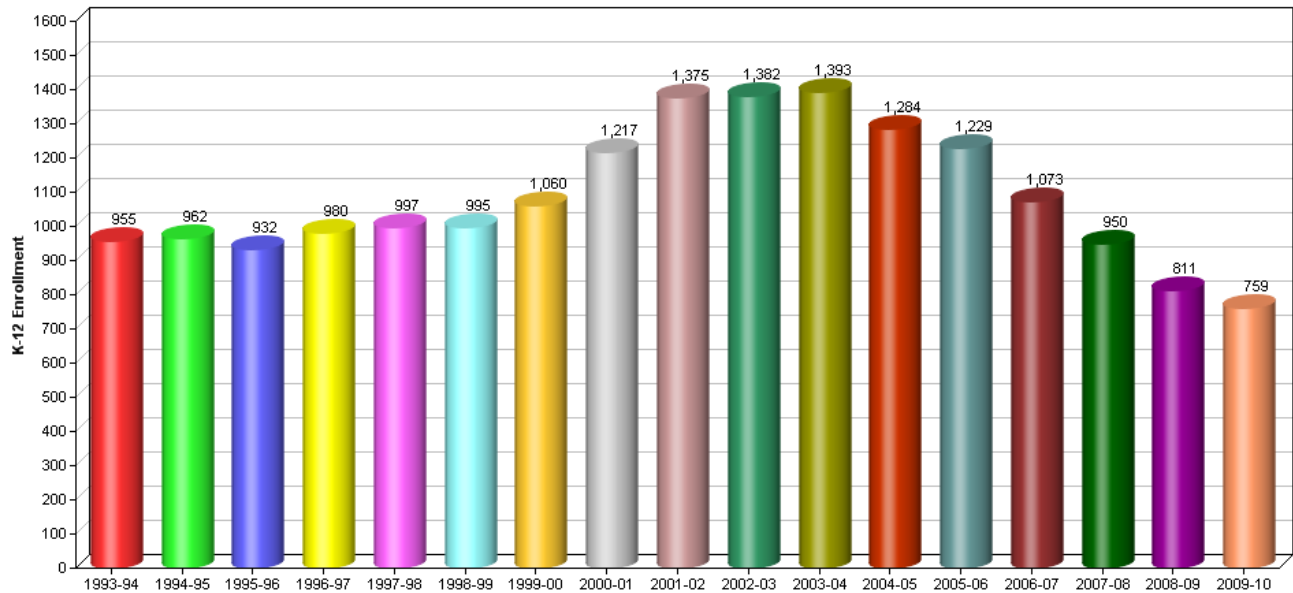
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