



Conejo Valley Unified School District

INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES

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School Information Meetings and Planning for the 2012/2013 School Year

It is already time for parents to begin planning for the Fall 2012 semester! Conejo Valley Unified School District (CVUSD) has many education options to offer the community from preschool through adult education. Most children in kindergarten through grade 12 attend their assigned "neighborhood" school, based on the child's address of residence. If you are interested in investigating alternative placement, you can learn more about our schools by visiting the CVUSD website at www.conejo.k12.ca.us; which includes links to all of our schools' websites. You may also consider attending one or more of the following parent/student information meetings.

HIGH SCHOOL (Grades 9-12)

Parents and new students may attend high school information meetings scheduled as follows:

Century Academy:	Wednesday, February 22nd, 6:00 p.m., Century Academy Room I 1025 Old Farm Road, Thousand Oaks, CA 91360 www.conejo.k12.ca.us/centuryacademy
Newbury Park High:	Monday, February 13th, 6:00 p.m., NPHS Performing Arts Center 456 N. Reino Road, Newbury Park, CA 91320 http://www.nphs.org/
Thousand Oaks High:	Wednesday, February 8th, 6:00 p.m., TOHS Gymnasium 2323 N. Moorpark Road, Thousand Oaks, CA 91360 www.conejo.k12.ca.us/tohs
Westlake High:	Wednesday, March 7th, 5:30 p.m., WHS Gymnasium 100 N. Lakeview Canyon Road, Westlake Village, CA 91362 www.conejo.k12.ca.us/whs

Students currently attending 8th grade at CVUSD middle schools will automatically be transferred to their neighborhood high school for 9th grade based on their address of residence. A School Choice Application 2012/2013 (see page 3) should be submitted *only* for:

- students currently attending 8th grade who wish to attend a school other than their neighborhood high school for 9th grade, or
- students currently attending 9th, 10th, or 11th grade who wish to transfer to a different high school.

MIDDLE SCHOOL (Grades 6-8)

Parents of middle school kids are encouraged to attend a "New Parent Information Night" scheduled as follows:

Colina:	Thursday, January 12, 6:00 p.m., Gymnasium 1500 E. Hillcrest Drive, Thousand Oaks, CA 91362 www.conejo.k12.ca.us/colina
Discover Academy: (See Page 2 for information)	Wednesday, January 11, 7:00 p.m., Auditorium 2855 Borchard Road, Newbury Park, CA 91320 http://ww2.conejo.k12.ca.us/sequoia/discover.html
Los Cerritos:	Wednesday, January 25, 6:00 p.m., Auditorium 2100 E. Ave de las Flores, Thousand Oaks, CA 91362 www.conejo.k12.ca.us/loscerritos
Redwood:	Thursday, January 26, 7:00 p.m., Gymnasium 233 W. Gainsborough Road, Thousand Oaks, CA 91360 www.conejo.k12.ca.us/redwood
Sequoia:	Monday, January 9, 7:00 p.m., Gymnasium 2855 Borchard Road, Newbury Park, CA 91320 http://ww2.conejo.k12.ca.us/sequoia
Sycamore Canyon(K-8):	Thursday, January 26, 6:30 p.m., Multipurpose Room 4601 Via Rio, Newbury Park, CA 91320 www.conejo.k12.ca.us/sycamorecanyon

DISCOVER Academy (Grades 6-8) at Sequoia Middle School

DISCOVER Academy is a school within a school that offers the advantages of both large and small learning communities. Using engineering and applied sciences as interdisciplinary themes, the academy stresses hands-on, innovative, and inquiry-based instruction to encourage a lifelong love of learning in students.

Students currently attending CVUSD K-5 elementary schools will automatically be transferred to their neighborhood middle school for sixth grade, based on their address of residence. A School Choice Application 2012/2013 (see page 3) should be submitted *only* for:

- students currently attending a K-5 elementary school who wish to attend a school other than their neighborhood middle school for 6th grade, or
- students currently attending the 5th grade at the Open Classroom Leadership Magnet or Sycamore Canyon School who wish to attend a different school for 6th grade, or
- students currently attending a middle school who wish to attend a different middle school, or
- students requesting to attend Discover Academy.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Parents may also attend information meetings regarding our magnet schools and Transitional Kindergarten program, as follows:

Transitional Kindergarten Program

Beginning in 2012/13, CVUSD will offer a Transitional Kindergarten (TK) program. TK is a developmental, hands-on instructional program for children born between Sept 1, 2007 and Dec 2, 2007 only. TK will be available at Acacia, Aspen, Walnut, Westlake, Westlake Hills, or as a combination TK/Kindergarten class at your 'neighborhood' school. A parent information meeting is scheduled on **Thursday, January 19th, 6:30 p.m.**, in the **Aspen Elementary School Multipurpose Room**, 1870 Oberlin, Thousand Oaks.

Open Classroom Leadership Magnet (Grades K-6)

The Open Classroom Leadership Magnet program consists of five multi-graded classes and involves families in the academic and social-emotional development of their student. This whole child approach teaches that each child has unique gifts and innate strengths that, when identified, can bring forth a child's true leadership potential. The program is held at the Conejo Elementary School site. A parent information meeting is scheduled on **Monday, January 30th, 6:00 p.m.**, in the **Conejo Elementary School Multipurpose Room**, 280 Conejo School Road, Thousand Oaks. Visit the website: www.OpenClassroomLeadershipMagnet.com

EARTHS Magnet (Grades K-5)

The Environmental Academy for Research Technology of Earth Sciences (EARTHS) will help students acquire the tools of inquiry and expression by delving deeply into subjects with a cross-curricular approach, using earth sciences and technology as a unifying theme for exploration. A parent information meeting is scheduled on **Wednesday, February 8th, 6:00 p.m.**, in the **EARTHS Magnet School Multipurpose Room**, 2626 Michael Drive, Newbury Park. For more information, visit the website at www.conejo.k12.ca.us/earths

To learn more about the elementary schools in CVUSD, please visit their websites as follows:

Acacia	www.conejo.k12.ca.us/acacia	Madrona	www.conejo.k12.ca.us/madrona
Aspen	www.conejo.k12.ca.us/aspen	Maple	www.conejo.k12.ca.us/maple
Banyan	www.conejo.k12.ca.us/banyan	Open Magnet	www.openclassroomleadershipmagnet.com
Conejo	www.conejo.k12.ca.us/conejo	Sycamore Cyn	www.conejo.k12.ca.us/sycamorecanyon
Cypress	www.conejo.k12.ca.us/cypress	Walnut	www.conejo.k12.ca.us/walnut
Earths Magnet	www.conejo.k12.ca.us/earths	Weathersfield	www.conejo.k12.ca.us/weathersfield
Glenwood	www.conejo.k12.ca.us/glenwood	Westlake	www.westlake-wizards.com
Ladera	www.laderadragons.com	Westlake Hills	http://ww2.conejo.k12.ca.us/westlake_hills
Lang Ranch	www.langranchelementary.com	Wildwood	http://ww2.conejo.k12.ca.us/wildwood

If you wish to attend a different elementary school than your neighborhood school, or if you wish to change elementary schools next year, please see the School Choice Application information on the next page.

KINDERGARTEN ELIGIBILITY

New kindergarten eligibility dates have been established in California. In order to enroll in kindergarten, a child must be 5 years old by:

November 1st for the **2012/2013 school year**
October 1st for the **2013/2014 school year**
September 1st for the **2014/2015 school year**

If your child is born 11/2/07 to 12/2/07, please read about "Transitional Kindergarten" on the CVUSD website.

REGISTRATION BEGINS FEBRUARY 6TH FOR GRADES K-12

If you reside in CVUSD and your child will be a new CVUSD student beginning in the 2012/2013 school year, please register at your neighborhood school during the week of February 6, 2012. You will need the following to register: an original birth certificate, immunization records, and two current utility bills that show your service address and mailing address. If you apply to School Choice to another school and the application is approved, then the registration documents will be forwarded to the approved school.

SCHOOL CHOICE APPLICATION 2012/2013 FOR GRADES K-12

Parents of children who **reside in CVUSD** who want their child to attend a CVUSD school other than their neighborhood school in the 2012/2013 school year may apply for "School Choice" beginning February 1, 2012. For the 2012/2013 school year, the timeline is as follows:

- **Between 2/1/12 and 3/1/12 (5:00 p.m.), submit the School Choice Application 2012/2013**
 - The application will be available beginning February 1st at all school sites, the District Office and on the District website: www.conejo.k12.ca.us
 - In order to be included in the lottery, the application must be received by 5:00 p.m. on March 1st
 - Applications received by the March 1st (5:00 p.m.) deadline will be entered into a lottery if the number of applicants exceeds school choice capacity
 - Submit the application to:
Conejo Valley Unified School District
Instructional Services Office
1400 E. Janss Road (rear building)
Thousand Oaks, CA 91362

-- or --

Fax to 805-379-5756
- By March 31st a letter will be mailed to on-time applicants for middle & high school stating if the application is approved – OR – identifying the wait list number assigned to the applicant.
- By April 29th a letter will be mailed to on-time applicants for elementary school stating if the application is approved – OR – identifying the wait list number assigned to the applicant.
- Late* applications may be submitted until:
 - August 15, 2012 for elementary and middle schools (except magnets and academies)
 - September 28, 2012 for magnets and academies
 - September 28, 2012 for high school 1st semester
- *Applications received after the March 1st lottery deadline are late and will be placed at the bottom of the wait list in the order received. No priority will be given for late applications. **The chance of approval is less for late applications.**
- Between 12/1/12 and 1/11/13, applications may be submitted for high school 2nd semester transfers only
- **As of October 31, 2012, 5:00 p.m., the wait list for the 2012/2013 school year is cancelled and no transfers are made thereafter** (except as noted above).

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