

2003-04 Civil Grand Jury Report:

County Community Schools: Poor Stepchildren of the San Francisco Unified School District

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Recommendation	Responses Required From:	Response: 1, 2, 3, or 4
<p>1a. SFUSD owns properties that are not presently being used for city schools. The Board and Administration should study the availability of suitable sites for relocation of Phoenix.</p> <p>1b. SFUSD should move immediately to relocate the CCS Phoenix School campus.</p> <p>1c. Ideally, a new Phoenix School campus would be ready for the 2004- 2005 school year.</p> <p>1d. A secondary priority is the relocation of the Community Youth Center's one- room school from its location on Polk Street, above a strip joint.</p> <p>1e. The five-year plan should include preparations to replace all one-room schools in the county system.</p>	<p>Superintendent of Schools Board of Education Mayor Board of Supervisors</p>	<p>The Board of Supervisors' City Services Committee held a hearing on Thursday, October 21, 2004 on the Civil Grand Jury Report. The San Francisco Unified School District representatives discussed new programs and changes implemented since July 2004, which include addition of information on County Community Schools on its web site and an intake center to evaluate students to properly place them in the right school. Public comment was heard and the matter was filed.</p>
<p>2a. SFUSD should make its budget readily available for inspection by authorized agencies, in particular, the Civil Grand Jury.</p> <p>2b. Budget information should be presented clearly, if possible, with explanatory summaries.</p> <p>2c. To insure the equitable distribution of funds and to avoid co-mingling of assets, two separate budgets should be kept for the separate school systems of city and county.</p>	<p>Superintendent of Schools Board of Education Mayor Board of Supervisors</p>	<p>See above response.</p>

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<p>3a. Replace the minimum-service County Community Schools with the more challenging Community Day Schools.</p> <p>3b. Use all available funding for county schools by upgrading and making the necessary commitment to Community Day Schools.</p>	<p>Superintendent of Schools Board of Education Mayor Board of Supervisors</p>	<p>See above response.</p>
<p>4a. Add comprehensive information about CCS to the SFUSD website and printed materials.</p> <p>4b. Devise a separate five-year plan for county schools-with special consideration to upgrading to Community Day Schools--and publicize it.</p> <p>4c. Educate district personnel about County Community Schools and familiarize them with descriptive publications and websites.</p> <p>4d. Celebrate the dedication and hard work of administrators, teachers and students in the county system. Give them the supplies they desperately need. "Nothing succeeds like success," but even the most dedicated laborers will burn out if their efforts are not recognized.</p>	<p>Superintendent of Schools Board of Education Mayor Board of Supervisors</p>	<p>See above response.</p>