



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

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The mission of the YPI Charter Schools (YPICS) is to prepare students for academic success in high school, as well as post-secondary education; prepare students to be responsible and active participants in their community; and enable students to become life-long learners. Students at YPI Charter Schools will become active citizens who characterize the ideals of a diverse and democratic society. Students will provide service to their community, take responsibility for their own learning, and develop the habits of mind and body that will empower them to be successful in high school and beyond.

National:

A NOTE FROM NINA

This month, many pro-charter school candidates were elected to local, state, and federal offices, supported by parent voters who gained a deeper understanding for educational choice during the pandemic. Our new enrollment report, [*Changing Course: Public School Enrollment Shifts During the Pandemic*](#), confirms that even as students returned to classrooms full-time, most students who left their district schools in 2020 or 2021 did not return in 2022. The pandemic enrollment shift, which results in nearly 240,000 new charter school students and a loss of 1.5 million district students, appears to be a new normal rather than a temporary reaction to turbulent times. You'll find more details below.

With more students than ever before attending charter schools and many more waiting for their opportunity to enroll in a charter school, we look forward to working with newly elected and returning officials at all levels of government to keep expanding opportunities for kids. We particularly want to congratulate Rep. Kevin McCarthy (R-CA) and Rep. Hakeem Jeffries (D-NY), the presumptive leaders of their respective parties in the U.S. House of Representatives, as they take on their new roles. We're eager to build on our past partnership for the good of all students.

As we kick off the holiday season, we're grateful to all of our friends, allies, supporters, champions, parents, teachers, school leaders, and, of course, students for making the charter school movement a force for positive change. Thank you and Happy Thanksgiving!

Nina Rees
President & CEO

Local:

Welcome Mayor Bass

YPICS would like to welcome our new Mayor Elect, Karen Bass. We plan to reach out in future



weeks to welcome her to new position and to let her know that we will continue to partner with the mayor on education issues as we have done in the past.

LAUSD LD 6

Incumbent LAUSD Board President Kelly Gonez has won her board race. It was a tight race.

LAUSD LD 2

Rocio Rivas, Chief of Staff for LAUSD Board Member Jackie Goldberg has won the race in the East LA area.

YPICS looks forward to working with all of our newly elected and reelected officials.

YPICS:

Assessments:

All three schools will take the YPICS approved Bench Mark Assessments next week beginning on December 6, 2022. The Board Academic Assessment Committee will review the outcomes along with school Success Plans to address results and next steps toward increased academic gains for YPICS Scholars.

Conference Attendance:

Executive Director King-Berg attended the Charter Schools Development Center Leadership Conference held in Sacramento November 13-15th. A review of state laws that and the upcoming budget future forecast were prominent topics along with preparing for renewal in a post AB 1505 era.

Mr Duenas, YPICS COO, Mr Bradford, YPICS Director of Technology, Mr. Ochoa, Lead IT Technician attended the California IT Education Conference in Long Beach November 29-December 2nd. One conference highlight for the team was having Board Member Dean Cho also in attendance. Grant participants had to attend the SEL in Action Conference in New Mexico on October 11-14, 2022.