



Board 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 lifelong 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.

Culture and Climate (School Safety)

Los Angeles has been plagued by fire, wind, windblown ash, and smoke during the month of January. The January fires created a unique situation that did not align to existing YPICS Fire Safety Response protocols or even LAUSD's protocols (Co-located schools have to be aligned with LAUSD safety procedures.) After considerable time and research, the Executive Team published the Fire, Wind, Windblown Ash, and Smoke Advisory Safety Procedures. The most important discovery was a need to consider windblown ash, and smoke in our protocol. Schools are now:

1. Using air purifiers in classroom and offices every day
2. Monitoring the *Air Quality using various tools, such as:*
 - o Air Quality Index Map
 - o AirNow.gov which measures real-time data for particulate matter present in smoke and dust.
 - o Fire.airnow.gov measures the main type of particulate matter present in smoke and depicts areas of major concern around fires.
3. Looking for falling ash and checking for the smell or presence of smoke.

Depending on the circumstance staff will close doors, keep students indoors, limit physical activity, provide or require masks, shorten the school day, or cancel the school day to ensure the safety of our student staff and community.

Community Schools (Response to US Immigration Policy Changes)

Aspire Public Schools shared their Immigration Toolkit with YPICS and other charter school groups. YPICS staff adapted and added to their work to make a toolkit for YPICS. The toolkit provides guidance to our schools and families on how to respond to US immigration policy changes. The YPICS Immigration Toolkit follows the YPICS Safe and Secure Learning Environment for All Students board policy which was adopted on June 28, 2018. The Board Policy adheres to the California Attorney General's Guidance which was shared with California schools again in December 2024. The toolkit centralizes all of the resources and information staff need to ensure the safety and support of YPICS students, families, and staff. Guidance and resources in YPICS policies and procedures, family preparedness, and legal/advocacy resources and helplines. The most important documents/tools for staff are the Responding to Ice on Campus Flowchart and Documenting ICE Actions on Campus. The most important documents/tools for students and parents are the Family Preparedness Plan, and Know Your Rights Cards.

BCCHS School Climate and Culture

Girls and Boys Soccer

Most of the girls have never played soccer on a team before which makes the games fun. The Girls Soccer Team enjoys making the effort and growing together. The first game of the season was against Lakeview and it was a hard loss. The girls came back the next week and just missed a win and earned a tie against Valley Oaks CES with a score of 1-1. The girls are currently 0-1-1 for the season.



The Boys Soccer Team is currently 0-1-1 for the season as well. The boys opened the season with a scrimmage against Chaminade where they showed how much potential they have when they come together as a team. Against Lakeview Charter, the boys lost in the final 2 minutes of the game (5-4). The last time BCCHS played Lakeview, the boys lost 9-0. This past week, the boys left Valley Oaks CES with a tied score of 0-0.

Boys Basketball

The Boys Basketball Team continues to grow in maturity and skill under Coach Salvador Martinez. On December 12, the boys broke a seven-game losing streak which began last season with a win over the Magnolia Science Academy 5 Lobos by a score of 48-31. Last year, our boys lost to the Lobos 62-43. On January 17, the boys earned their second win against Valley Oaks CES High School by a score of 34-28. The Boys Basketball team now has a record of 2-1 on the season. The team has been putting in the work and their effort shows in their games.



Operations

Enrollment

4 additional students have enrolled since our last board meeting. 3 of the 4 new students were BCCS graduates. BCCHS enrollment is now 1 student above last year's enrollment but 7 students below the 24-25 budget projection.

Grade Level	Enrollment 2023-24	Budgeted 2024-25	Actual Enrollment 2024-25	Difference from Budget
9th grade	58	65	64	-1
10th grade	51	57	54	-3
11th grade	62	50	51	1
12th grade	54	61	57	-4
5th Year +	0	0	0	0
Total	225	233	226	-7