



## Corcoran Unified School District

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Dear School Parents and Guardians,

On January 7, 2010, Governor Schwarzenegger signed into law the California Open Enrollment Act. The intent of the Open Enrollment Act is to provide parent options for student attendance. It provides notification and student placement options for parents of children currently enrolled in identified public schools.

The Open Enrollment Act establishes an identification method for 1,000 Open Enrollment schools through the use of a formula based on the California Academic Performance Index (API) score from 2009. Charter schools, court schools, community schools, and community day schools were excluded from consideration, as were schools with less than 100 state test scores.

Your child's school, \_\_\_\_\_ School, was named one of California's 1,000 Open Enrollment schools. Therefore, Corcoran Unified School District is notifying you, as a \_\_\_\_\_ School parent or guardian, of the new legislation and your right to request enrollment in a school with a higher API. [District may wish to insert names of available in-district schools.]

Enrollment applications will be accepted from September/October \_\_\_ through October \_\_, 2010. Forms will be available from the District Office on September/October \_\_, 2010. The district will notify parents of the approval or denial of their transfer request by October 31, 2010. Students who are approved will begin attendance at their new school on November 1, 2010. If you choose to enroll your child in a different school, under Open Enrollment, **transportation is not provided.**

The Open Enrollment Act allows districts to “adopt specific, written standards for acceptance and rejection of applications” so long as students who are selected are done so “through a random, unbiased process.” Districts may take into account “capacity of a program, class, grade level, school building, or adverse financial impact” in determining if and what number of Open Enrollment requests it can approve. If you choose to apply to a school within a district other than Corcoran Unified School District, you will need to contact that district for application information, and make application directly to that district.

Should you have any questions or need additional information regarding the California Open Enrollment Act, please call our District Office at (559) 992-8888 ext 1246.

Sincerely,

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Director of Categorical Programs

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