



March 11, 2022

Dear Inglewood Unified School District (IUSD) Staff, Students, Families and Community:

In our continued commitment to serving our community and providing current information, we have some important updates in this week's message.

### **Special School Board Meeting**

A Special Board of Education Meeting will be held on March 17, 2022 at 5:00p.m. At this meeting, a Resolution will be presented to approve an Exclusive Negotiating Agreement with Harridge Development for the joint occupancy development of District owned unutilized property located on portions of Morningside High School and Woodworth Elementary School.

Please click [here](#) to access our virtual meeting information.

### **Warren Lane School Closure Update**

We would like to provide you with an update on the Warren Lane School Closure. As previously shared, Inglewood Unified School District's enrollment has declined significantly for years - from 12,119 students in 2013, to 7,627 in 2022. It is projected to further decline to 6,781 students by the 2024 school year. In order to address this decline, and ensure we are able to direct resources fully to support student success, in June 2021, the District formed a School Closure and Consolidation Committee (SCCC) to review and make recommendations regarding the closure/consolidation options for District schools. The SCCC conducted multiple public meetings beginning in September 2021 through January 2022.

The goal of the school closure and consolidation is to maintain fiscal solvency and provide resources that support student academic success, while contending with declining enrollment. IUSD is committed to focusing its limited resources on student needs and will continue to take appropriate measures to build a strong foundation for the District's success.

On Monday, March 7, 2022, the District hosted a virtual Warren Lane Stakeholder Engagement Meeting. The goal of this meeting was to collaboratively develop recommendations to assist families with the transition. At the meeting, there were many concerns shared regarding the future plans for the property of Warren Lane Elementary. Please know that the District will be retaining the property and researching various use options. In addition, the District will be connecting with each Warren Lane family to discuss next steps in their child's transition for the 2022-23 academic school year.

Warren Lane Elementary and Inglewood Continuation High School are just two of the many consolidations and closures that Inglewood Unified will face. It is not our desire to close schools, however it is our responsibility to address declining enrollment, in accordance with [AB1840](#) and the Fiscal Crisis Management Assistance Team (FCMAT) recommendations. We understand that these decisions are difficult but necessary to address in order to maintain fiscal stability and transition out of state receivership. IUSD is committed to maintaining a wonderful District for Inglewood families and community, and placing our students at the heart of our decision-making.

We will communicate future plans and decisions on our [District website](#) and during our Board of Education Meetings. To stay connected and receive our District's weekly newsletter, click [here](#) to subscribe today. You can also stay informed by visiting our [SCCC webpage on the district website](#).

IUSD will continue to share updates, as they become available. We understand that this is a very difficult process and your patience and understanding is greatly appreciated.

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Sincerely,



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