

SAN DIEGO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
 Student Services  
 Counseling & Guidance Department  
**ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS FOR STUDENTS 2008-2009\***

<b>OPTIONS OFFERED BY SAN DIEGO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT</b>		
<b>1.</b>	<p><b>Credit Recovery Program (Graduation Coach) Grades 9-12</b></p> <p>A way for students to “recover” credits for courses students had been unsuccessful in earning toward graduation. Courses are offered during the instructional hours of the neighborhood school or during after hours. Students may take credit recovery courses at any of the closest schools by where they live or work. Contact the nearest high school for more information.</p>	<p><b>Offered at all comprehensive high schools</b></p>
<b>2.</b>	<p><b>Mt. Everest Academy (Independent Study)</b></p> <p>A fully accredited atypical school that serves grades K-12. The school program assists parents who wish to have their children learn at home using state-adopted curricula with the support, guidance and supervision of credentialed teachers. Students earn credits through completion of work designated via Independent Study contracts signed by the student, parent and teacher. Specific on-campus features available to support all K-12 students include an up-to-date computer lab and technology classes, a well-equipped science lab and regular lab activities, a resource center and library for students and parents, plus weekly music classes, study groups, enrichment workshops, and tutorial support. Honors and Advanced Placement courses are also available.</p>	<p><b>858-496-8778</b></p> <p><b><u><a href="mailto:mteverest@sandi.net">mteverest@sandi.net</a></u></b></p> <p><b>In Clairemont off Balboa &amp; Genesee</b></p>
<b>3.</b>	<p><b>iHigh Virtual Academy</b></p> <p>High Virtual Academy (iHVA) is a new, innovative, independent study school providing students individualized opportunities to earn a high school diploma through accredited online courses and resources. iHVA provides a rigorous college-preparatory online school program for grades 9-12. iHVA accepts fulltime students from inside and out of the District. Students should be reading at grade level, self-motivated, self-directed and manage their time. All special education students must have an up-to-date IEP with a recommendation from the IEP team and parent. Full time iVHA students will have 24/7/365 access to courses with a District-issued loaner laptop and free internet. A part-time dual enrollment program is available for students from District high schools. More information is available at <a href="http://ihighvirtual.org">http://ihighvirtual.org</a> or <a href="http://ihighvirtual.enschool.org/">http://ihighvirtual.enschool.org/</a>.</p>	<p><b>(858) 627-7448</b></p>
<b>4.</b>	<p><b>San Diego Early/Middle College (Alternative High School)</b></p> <p>Located on the campus of San Diego City College, San Diego Early/Middle College (SDEMC) serves students seeking a non-traditional high school experience in a small, personalized learning environment. The school’s early college program provides students who enroll in the ninth grade the opportunity and support to earn a high school diploma and up to two years of college (at no additional cost to their families) in five years or less. Ninth and tenth grade students are taught by San Diego Unified teachers and given extensive support to ensure that they are ready for college-level courses. In the eleventh and twelfth grades, students take a combination of high school and college courses and participate in a daily tutorial.</p> <p>The school’s middle college program serves bright, capable 11th and 12th graders who have demonstrated prior academic potential but have become disengaged from their traditional high schools and would thrive in a small middle college setting. The school offers credit recovery as part of the middle college program. Students, however, should not be more than one semester (6 credits) behind and capable of taking entry-level college courses in order to be successful.</p> <p>Students must complete a San Diego Early/Middle College application, which is available at the San Diego Unified School District’s Enrollment Options Office and on its Web site (<a href="http://www.sandi.net">www.sandi.net</a>). After reviewing students’ applications and transcripts, San Diego Early/Middle College staff will conduct student interviews to determine if SDEMC is the best option for each student.</p>	<p><b>(619) 525-2000</b></p>
<b>5.</b>	<p><b>Garfield High School</b></p> <p>An atypical education high school. Grades 10-12. See attachments for further information.</p> <p>Garfield High school serves students 16 years of age and older who are credit deficient. Specialized programs include the City Middle College; Expectant Teens; the Infant Lab for parenting teens; ORACLE, an independent studies program (must read at 9th grade level or higher); and Culinary Arts.</p> <p>Students must be referred by their resident school via a SIP form. Enrollment is allowed if it is a family choice and a determination by Garfield that the student meets the enrollment criteria. All special educational students must have up-to-date IEPs to be referred. Enrollment priority is given to extremely credit deficient students; students who are parenting; working students; and those wanting to pursue a college program. Enrollment periods occur quarterly for all programs except for ORACLE, which enrolls on a continuous basis.</p>	<p><b>619-525-2059</b></p> <p><b>Located across from San Diego High Complex</b></p>

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<b>6.</b>	<p><b>ORACLE (Garfield High School)</b></p> <p>Independent study program for high school students. Grades 10-12. Must read at 9<sup>th</sup> grade level. See attachments for further information.</p>	<b>619-525-2059 x 1103</b>
<b>7.</b>	<p><b>Twain Schools</b></p> <p>An atypical education high school. Grades 10-12. Three sites.</p> <p>Mark Twain is an alternative high school, with a small student to teacher ratio, for students who have been unsuccessful in traditional high schools. We offer programs designed to meet the personal needs of every student. Twain juniors and seniors take classes at area community colleges as part of our Middle College program. Others are enrolled in the Joint Diploma (Option 2) Program. Students can participate in a Regional Occupational Program (ROP) strand, Business/Computers, at two sites. Twain's three sites (Linda Vista, Mira Mesa and Morse high school campus) along with our independent study program allow students from all areas of the city to take advantage of our services.</p>	<p><b>Main 858-496-8260</b></p> <p><b>Mesa 858-566-4008</b></p> <p><b>Morse 619-266-9622</b></p>
<b>8.</b>	<p><b>SOAR Program (Main Twain High Schools)</b></p> <p>Independent study program for high school students. Grades 9-12</p>	<b>858-496-8260</b>
<b>9.</b>	<p><b>Cal-SAFE (California School Age Family Education)</b></p> <p>An atypical educational program for teen parents. Grades 7-12. See attachment for further information.</p>	<p><b>858-496-1811</b></p> <p><b>858-496-1810</b></p>
<b>10.</b>	<p><b>Expectant Teen Class (ETC)</b></p> <p>An educational program for pregnant teens. Garfield &amp; Twain. Grades 7 -12. (If student is under 16, they return to resident/sending school at the end of the semester in which they deliver).</p>	<p><b>Garfield 858-496-1811</b></p> <p><b>Twain 858-496-8260</b></p>
<b>11.</b>	<p><b>Alternative Learning for Behavior &amp; Attitude (A.L.B.A.) Grades 6-10.</b></p> <p>An alternative educational setting for students during the expulsion process. The ALBA program provides students with opportunities to continue with their academic program with the support of counselors, mental health clinicians and other support programs. Students attend ALBA for one semester. ALBA has a very nurturing environment that prepares students to become successful once they return to a comprehensive school. ALBA has a high school and a middle school program.</p>	<b>619-725-5660</b>
<b>12.</b>	<p><b>Special Education Programs</b></p> <p>This program offers optional placements for special education students. TRACE.</p>	<b>858-490-2791</b>
<b>13.</b>	<p><b>San Diego Unified School District Adult Education High School Diploma Program (H.S.D.P.)</b></p> <p>Comprehensive <u>adult</u> high school program offered at 5 sites throughout the district. Serves adult students 18 to 20 years of age. Students earn the Adult Education Joint High School Diploma. Program also serves SDUSD high school students, at least 16 years of age, <u>after the regular school day</u> who are credit deficient due to failed courses. See the (annually updated) <u>Adult Education HSDP Schedule of Classes</u> for further information and enrollment procedures at <a href="http://www.sandi.net/depts/adulteducation/">www.sandi.net/depts/adulteducation/</a>. High school counselors and parent/guardian must complete and sign the <u>Concurrent Student Enrollment Form</u> for high school students who attend the SDUSD Adult Education Program (HSDP) after the regular school day. The <u>Concurrent Student Enrollment Form</u> can be obtained at <a href="http://www.sandi.net/depts/counseling/concurrent_enrollment.pdf">www.sandi.net/depts/counseling/concurrent_enrollment.pdf</a></p>	<b>619-293-4430</b>
<b>14.</b>	<p><b>San Diego Community College District Division of Continuing (Adult) Education</b></p> <p>Comprehensive <u>adult</u> high school program offered at 6 Adult Continuing Education sites throughout the San Diego area. Serves adult students age 20 and older. Students earn the Adult Education Joint High School Diploma. Program also serves SDUSD high school students, at least 16 years of age, <u>after the regular school day</u> who are credit deficient due to courses in which "D" or "F" grades were earned. Students may also take enrichment courses, such as ESL, in this program <u>after the regular school day</u>. <u>It is important to note that a SDUSD high school student may only be referred to this program if the SDUSD Adult Education Program (HSDP) is unable to meet the student's need.</u> For a list of high school courses that may be made up in this program along with a listing of site locations, see Information Bulletin #7 dated June 19, 2008 at <a href="http://www.sandi.net/staff/circulars/0708/ib007.pdf">http://www.sandi.net/staff/circulars/0708/ib007.pdf</a> This information is updated annually in an Information Bulletin. High school counselors and parent/guardian must complete and sign the <u>Waiver Form</u> for high school students who attend the SDCCD Continuing Education program. The <u>Waiver Form</u> can be obtained at <a href="http://www.sandi.net/depts/counseling/non_college_waiver.pdf">www.sandi.net/depts/counseling/non_college_waiver.pdf</a></p>	<b>619-388-4981</b>

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<b>15.</b>	<b>Summit Schools (San Diego County Juvenile Court and Community Schools)</b> An atypical education in small classroom settings that serves at risk students or students who have been expelled.	<b>619-725-5660</b>
<b>16.</b>	<b>California High School Proficiency Exam (C.H.S.P.E.)</b> A high school equivalency exam given for students 16 and older.	<b>866-342-4773</b> <b><u><a href="mailto:chspe@cde.ca.gov">chspe@cde.ca.gov</a></u></b>
<b>17.</b>	<b>Exemption Process</b> This is a formal process that excuses a student from regular school attendance and allows them to enroll in the San Diego Community College District's Adult Education program for one or two semesters. The Counseling and Guidance Department screens Exemption Requests and forwards to the SDCCD for final approval.	<b>858-503-3180</b>
<b>18.</b>	<b>General Education Development (G.E.D.) Test</b> A high school equivalency examination for students 17 years 10 months of age and older.	<b>916-445-9438</b> <b><u><a href="mailto:GEDoffice@cde.ca.gov">GEDoffice@cde.ca.gov</a></u></b>
<b>19.</b>	<b>San Diego Community College District – As a Full-Time Student</b> Three locations: City, Mesa, Miramar. A high school diploma or equivalent is required if student is under 18 years of age.	<b>General Information</b> <b>619-584-6500</b>

**\*NOTE: Students must NOT contact these programs. Referrals can ONLY be made through School Counselors.**