# Demographic Analyses and Enrollment Forecast for Emery Unified School District 

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## Executive Summary

Emery Unified School District (Emery, EUSD, the District) administrators are in the process of redesigning facilities and determining what properties will be needed to meet the educational needs of the Emeryville community. They requested a thorough analysis of demographic factors affecting enrollments and a professional assessment of likely future enrollment levels.

We developed two different sets of enrollment forecast scenarios for the District. For the first set, we employed a conventional approach to enrollment forecasting, and assumed that the District's reputation will not change substantially in the future. For the second set of scenarios, we assumed that Emeryville will become much more attractive to families with children due to substantial improvement in EUSD test scores and perhaps more family-oriented amenities available to residents.

Before discussing these forecast scenarios, we note a few important demographic trends that have shaped or will shape future enrollments.

## Out-of-District Students

Since 1999, about half of EUSD's students have had addresses outside the District. ${ }^{1}$ About 20 percent of these out-of-district students were former District residents. Another 20 percent were "Allen Bill" students, meaning that either their parents worked in Emeryville or they had childcare arrangements in Emeryville. When planning facilities, Emery may wish to have sufficient space to accommodate at least the out-of-district students who are former residents and Allen Bill students.

## New Housing

More than 1,700 housing units have been built in the City of Emeryville since 2000. Construction continues, but the residential housing market has slowed considerably and it is not clear if all projects that have been proposed, or even all those that have been approved, will actually be built in the foreseeable future. In order to recognize the uncertainty about the pace of construction, we developed two housing forecasts: a "Full Housing Forecast" includes all of the approved and proposed developments, and a "Conservative Housing Forecast" assumes only a subset of projects will actually be built. Because so few EUSD students live in condominiums and large apartment complexes, the future housing will have a relatively small impact on enrollments. In the conventional forecast scenarios, the Conservative Housing Forecast projects an additional 38 students from new housing, while the Full Housing Forecast projects 83 students.

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## Overall Enrollment Trends

In fall 2007, Emery had 822 students attending their schools, but only 377 students lived within the District boundaries (resident enrollments). However, in 1999, the first year for which we have data on resident enrollments, 587 students lived in the District. When planning facilities, decision-makers should keep in mind that enrollments change over time. The fact that Emery schools once had nearly 600 resident students means that the city's housing stock could certainly hold that many public school students in the future.

Birth data of Emery residents, by ethnicity, show that African American births have been declining, Hispanic and White births have been stable, and Asian births have been rising. African Americans, Hispanics, and White resident enrollments all follow their birth pattern. However, Asian enrollments have been stable, unlike their pattern of rising births.

## Conventional Enrollment Forecast Scenarios

Applying the standard demographic forecasting method to Emery Unified resulted in forecasts that show a slight increase in resident enrollments, primarily from new housing. Chart 1 shows resident enrollment forecasts. While the Medium (most likely) forecast shows 475 resident students by 2020, there is a range of other forecasts that are possible using various reasonable assumptions (each based on Emery patterns during the last eight years). All of these forecasts assume the Full Housing Forecast. If the Conservative Housing Forecast turns out to be more accurate, the projections should be reduced by 45 students.

Future resident student enrollments under the Medium forecast are less than those in 1999, when the District had 587 resident students. Because in the not too distant past the District had more resident students, it is quite possible that the District will reach this enrollment level again in coming decades. District enrollments naturally change over time, and this change is not always captured by the enrollment forecasts, especially since enrollment forecasts much beyond 10 years are not very reliable. In short, we recommend that the District plan facilities to accommodate at least 600 resident enrollments, even if the Medium forecast does not reach that level within the next decade.

In addition to providing facilities to accommodate resident enrollments, the District may wish to accommodate former residents and Allen Bill students (an additional 200 students).

Chart 1


## Alternative Enrollment Forecast Scenarios

We were asked to explore how enrollments might change if the District's standardized test scores improved substantially and/or the community became more attractive to families. We believe that substantially improved test scores would result in higher student yields (numbers of children per housing unit). That is, more of the city's housing, both old and new, would be occupied by families with school-aged children. These forecast scenarios rely on three factors: (1) understanding the housing stock in Emeryville, (2) measuring student yields by type of housing in Emeryville, and (3) knowledge of student yields in other Bay Area school districts to guide our judgment regarding how student yields are likely to increase as test scores improve.

Emeryville is unusual in that it contains relatively few houses. Condominiums and large apartment complexes comprise 78 percent of the city's housing. In most school districts, relatively few students live in condominiums and large apartment complexes, and Emeryville condominiums and market-rate units in large apartment complexes have extremely low yields. (The one exception is Emery Bay Village. These townhouse-type condominiums contain a fair number of students.)

When we consider Emeryville's socioeconomic mix, however, the abnormally low condominium (and large apartment complex) yields are not surprising. We have found that yields in higher-priced housing in communities with a large spread in household incomes are usually abnormally low. For example, public school yields are low in the Berkeley Hills where housing prices are high, but normal in the Berkeley flatlands where housing prices are much lower. We found the same socioeconomic pattern when we were working with San Leandro Unified in the 1990s. In Emeryville, condominiums and luxury apartment complexes are the higher-priced housing, and the District's student yields follow the pattern we have observed in other communities with a broad income distribution.

Nonetheless, it is certainly possible that Emery's student yields could increase, including in the condominiums and large apartment complexes. We believe a yield increase is likely if test scores do improve substantially. In recent years, Emery has had the lowest or next-to-lowest scores in the County. We believe yields would increase if Emery could achieve test scores above those in Oakland, Hayward, San Leandro, and San Lorenzo Unified.

Our knowledge of student yields throughout the Bay Area led us to develop two alternative enrollment forecasts. For each, we multiplied the District's housing stock, by type of unit, by the anticipated student yield. Current yields were used to test the model (Alternative 0), and alternative (higher) student yields were used to suggest what enrollments could be if Emeryville attracted more families with children. Under one alternative (Alternative 1), the forecast suggests between 748 and 843 resident students. This alternative seems likely to us if Emery's test scores exceeded those of Oakland, Hayward, San Leandro, and San Lorenzo schools. Under another alternative (Alternative 2), we increased student yields even more, similar to what we have seen in highperforming districts. This forecast suggested, depending on which housing forecast was used, between 1,232 and 1,441 resident students.

## Summary

The table below summarizes the resident enrollment forecasts predicted under both the conventional method and the alternative methods.

| Summary of Resident Enrollment Forecast Scenarios |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Forecast Scenario | Assumptions about District's future reputation | Forecast Under Conservative Housing Forecast | Forecast under Full Housing Forecast |
| Conventional Forecast (Medium) | no change in District's reputation | 425 | 470 |
| Alternative 0 | no change in District's reputation | 504 | 530 |
| Alternative 1 | District's test scores exceed those of Oakland, Hayward, San Leandro | 748 | 843 |
| Alternative 2 | District has test scores similar to high-performing districts. | 1,232 | 1,441 |

For facilities purposes, whichever forecast is used, the District might want to add an additional 100 students for former residents and another 100 students (at least) to accommodate Allen Bill students.

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## Introduction

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- The large number of new housing units planned by the city;
- Possible improvements in test scores; and
- General demographic trends in the District.

We are pleased to have been asked to help the District, and this report includes discussions of the following:

- An enrollment forecast based on the standard demographic method of projecting school populations, using the District's current enrollments, historical rates of students entering and leaving its schools, and births to forecast future kindergarten enrollments;
- Measurements of student yields (the average number of students per housing unit) in Emeryville, by housing type (condominium, apartment, houses, and below market rate units);
- Possible EUSD student yields if its test scores rose;
- An alternative forecast assuming increased student yields; and
- A discussion of private school enrollment rates.


## Past Enrollment Trends

## Overall Enrollment Trends

Chart 2 shows EUSD's K-12 enrollments from 1981 through 2007. The top line shows total enrollments (both resident and out-of-district students) and the bottom line shows residents only. We have student addresses beginning in 1999, and report "residents only" from that time period onward. About half of the District's students live outside Emeryville.

Chart 2


It is striking that EUSD's enrollments were fairly stable for many years, and then increased between fall 1996 and fall 1997. In just one year, enrollments reported to the State of California ${ }^{2}$ jumped from 708 to 960 . Although we do not have student address data for 1996 through 1999 to confirm this, we believe that this large increase resulted from an increase in out-of-district students, and not from an increase in the population residing within the city of Emeryville or choosing public schools.

We have seen this kind of dramatic enrollment change in other school districts only as a result of something like the admission of more out-of-district students or perhaps a very sudden change in a school district's reputation. We also wonder whether data collection or reporting errors in the late 1990s were at least partly responsible for the apparent sudden enrollment increase.

[^1]That said, because resident enrollments in 1999 were higher than total enrollments during the 1980s and early 1990s, we know there had to have been at least some increase in resident enrollments sometime during the middle to late 1990s.

The number of students living in Emeryville declined substantially between 1999 and 2003. This decline corresponds to political and financial difficulties in the District, and may reflect a decision by parents to leave the District, or for families that were potential migrants not to move to Emeryville.

Since 2003, enrollments have been quite stable.
To get a better understanding of the enrollment trends, Chart 3 groups enrollments by combinations of grades: K to 5,6 to 8 , and 9 to 12 , even though this is not the current school configuration.

- K to 5 enrollments replicate the trend found in the K-12 enrollments (Chart 2): enrollments rose between 1995 and 1998, and then began declining in 2001.
- Enrollments in grade 6 to 8 were more erratic, primarily because the numbers are so much smaller and subject to random variation. The figures for grade 6 to 8 "residents only" show a steady decline between 2001 and 2007.
- High school enrollments are also subject to random variation due to small numbers of students. In 1997, enrollments in grades 9 to 12 peaked, jumping from 222 in 1996 to 348 in 1997. It is really unfortunate that we do not have address data to tell us what amount of the increase resulted from admission of more out-of-district students.


## Chart 3





## Comparison with State and County Trends

Emery's past enrollment trends differ from those of the state and Alameda County.
Unlike Emery, both the state and the county experienced overall enrollment increases during most of the 1980s and 1990s, though the increase was more pronounced at the state level (See Charts 4 and 5). And unlike Emery, state and county enrollments did not rise sharply in the late 1990s, and then subsequently decline. However, Emery is similar to the state and county in that its enrollments have been relatively stable during the last five years or so.

Chart 4


## Chart 5



## Interdistrict Transfer Students

As Chart 2 showed, about half of EUSD's students live outside the District. This has been the case since 1999 (and perhaps before, though we lack data to confirm this). In order to understand these patterns better, we grouped enrollments by combinations of grades: K to 5,6 to 8 , and 9 to 12 , even though this is not the current school configuration. Chart 6 shows the number of students with out-of-district addresses in each of the three grade levels.

As mentioned above, we believe there was probably a huge increase in the number of out-of-district students in fall 1997, and these numbers probably remained high for several years.

Many districts use out-of-district students to optimize the use of teachers and classrooms. Since districts receive more funds when they have more students, it is usually financially beneficial to accept some out-of-district students to fill classrooms. This is also true for Emery, but there are other reasons it enrolls students who live outside Emeryville.

## Former Residents

Emery's students are highly mobile. Many live in rental housing, and our study of enrollment patterns from 1999 through 2007 shows significant numbers moving into and out of the District. Sometimes students begin as Emeryville residents, leave the District for a few years and attend schools elsewhere, and then return to Emery as out-of-district students for a year or two before moving back into the District.

Our analysis shows that about 20 percent of out-of-district students started out as Emery students. In addition, another five percent started out as out-of-district students and subsequently moved into the District.

Because the school district is so small and has a strong sense of community, we imagine that District personnel almost always like to make room for out-of-district children who once were Emery students.

Chart 6




## Allen Bill Students

As school administrators know, the California State Education Code allows parental employment in lieu of residency in a district of attendance ("Allen Bill Transfers"; CA State Education Code, Section 48204(b)). If space is available, Emery must accommodate K-8 children whose parents work in Emeryville and who wish to send their children to EUSD schools. ${ }^{3}$ Note that the Allen Bill does not cover high school students.

In addition to the state requirement, EUSD administrators want to accommodate such students in the school because of the District's partnership with some of the large Emeryville employers. If a bond were passed, these large employers would pay much of the revenue. For these reasons, EUSD may want to plan to have enough space in the schools to accommodate children of people working in Emeryville.

District staff members have kept statistics on the number of out-of-district students admitted for childcare or employment reasons. Currently, 79 students, or 41 percent of out-of-district K-5 students, result from childcare (20 percent) or employment (21 percent). Of $6^{\text {th }}-8^{\text {th }}$ grade students, 12 students, representing 23 percent of all out-ofdistrict students, were admitted for either childcare or employment reasons.

## Residents of ZIP Code 94608

A final consideration regarding out-of-district students is that many of them are in ZIP Code 94608, the code that covers Emeryville, as well as some area beyond the city limits. Some Emeryville residents consider residents of these areas to be part of the "Emeryville community" even though they are officially outside the city (and school district) boundary. About 55 percent of out-of-district students live in this ZIP Code.

## Ethnicity

Chart 7 and Table 1 show the ethnic distribution of all EUSD students (in-district and out-of-district students combined) since 1993. African Americans outnumber members of all the other ethnic groups. Currently, African Americans are 61 percent of the student body, but comprised as much as 74 percent during the late 1990s. During the last few years, a growing number of students are identified as "multiple race" or "other," making it more difficult to compare ethnic trends over time.

Note that almost all the enrollment increase between fall 1996 and fall 1997 was of African American students.

3 "The Allen Bill established a parent's right to apply to register their children in a district where either parent's job is located. However, your child isn't guaranteed enrollment in the district where you work. Transfers under the Allen Bill are always on a space-available basis, and districts have the right to determine whether or not to accept them. Districts that do accept Allen Bill transfers can limit the number of incoming students as well as establish certain criteria according to types of requests." (http://www.greatschools.net/cgi-bin/showarticle/239). To read the relevant section of the CA Education Code, see: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/displaycode?section=edc\&group=4800149000 \&file $=48200-48208$ ).

Chart 8 shows each ethnic group on a separate graph, so that the trend line is discernible (however, note the change in scale on the left axis for each graph). Hispanic enrollments have increased, White enrollments have declined, and Asian enrollments show no discernible trend.

Chart 7


Table 1

| Ethnicity of Emery Unified Students (Includes both In-District and Out-of-District Students) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 |
| African American | 379 | 414 | 437 | 451 | 738 | 698 | 699 | 711 | 713 | 531 | 551 | 528 | 553 | 489 | 505 |
| API/F | 91 | 134 | 123 | 122 | 119 | 158 | 129 | 119 | 112 | 95 | 98 | 99 | 98 | 95 | 99 |
| Caucasian | 32 | 28 | 30 | 33 | 30 | 25 | 30 | 21 | 14 | 11 | 15 | 15 | 14 | 12 | 16 |
| Hispanic | 81 | 86 | 83 | 102 | 73 | 98 | 83 | 95 | 97 | 138 | 115 | 107 | 104 | 116 | 127 |
| Native American | 0 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 6 | 8 | 10 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Other | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 30 | 8 | 45 | 102 | 18 | 39 | 52 | 89 | 74 |
| Total | 583 | 665 | 675 | 708 | 960 | 984 | 977 | 962 | 991 | 881 | 797 | 788 | 822 | 802 | 822 |
| SHARES |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| African American | 65\% | 62\% | 65\% | 64\% | 77\% | 71\% | 72\% | 74\% | 72\% | 60\% | 69\% | 67\% | 67\% | 61\% | 61\% |
| API/F | 16\% | 20\% | 18\% | 17\% | 12\% | 16\% | 13\% | 12\% | 11\% | 11\% | 12\% | 13\% | 12\% | 12\% | 12\% |
| Caucasian | 5\% | 4\% | 4\% | 5\% | 3\% | 3\% | 3\% | 2\% | 1\% | 1\% | 2\% | 2\% | 2\% | 1\% | 2\% |
| Hispanic | 14\% | 13\% | 12\% | 14\% | 8\% | 10\% | 8\% | 10\% | 10\% | 16\% | 14\% | 14\% | 13\% | 14\% | 15\% |
| Native American | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% |
| Other | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 3\% | 1\% | 5\% | 12\% | 2\% | 5\% | 6\% | 11\% | 9\% |
| Total | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% |


Chart 8



Table 2 shows the ethnicity of EUSD residents, as contrasted with the charts that use CBEDS data and combine residents and out-of-district students. These data are from the student address database, which has somewhat different categories from those used in the CBEDS reports. African Americans make up between 50 and 60 percent of the resident student body. Hispanic students are the next most numerous group, comprising about 19 percent of the resident student population. Asian Indians comprise about seven percent of the student body, as do Other Asians. Whites comprise only two to three percent of the student population. In 2007, no ethnicity was reported for 10 percent of the students.

These data indicate that the out-of-district students are less likely to be Hispanic and Asian, and more likely to be African American, than the resident population.

The number of Asian students has remained fairly constant. This is somewhat surprising because birth data that we will discuss below suggest that Emeryville's Asian population has been increasing.

Table 2

| Ethnicity of Residents |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Fall 2003 | Fall 2004 | Fall 2005 | Fall 2006 | Fall 2007 |
| African-American | 241 | 249 | 258 | 200 | 187 |
| Asian Indian | 20 | 33 | 30 | 25 | 27 |
| Chinese |  | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 |
| Filipino | 4 | 6 | 4 | 7 | 10 |
| Hispanic | 76 | 66 | 68 | 75 | 73 |
| Japanese |  |  | 1 |  |  |
| Korean |  |  | 2 | 3 |  |
| Native | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Other Asian | 48 | 30 | 27 | 28 | 25 |
| Other Pacific Islander |  |  | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Vietnamese |  | 1 | 4 | 6 | 4 |
| White | 10 | 10 | 10 | 12 | 12 |
| Decline to State | 20 | 24 | 24 | 33 | 36 |
| Total | 420 | 421 | 432 | 393 | 377 |
| African-American | 57\% | 59\% | 60\% | 51\% | 50\% |
| Asian Indian | 5\% | 8\% | 7\% | 6\% | 7\% |
| Chinese | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 1\% | 0\% |
| Fiilipino | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 2\% | 3\% |
| Hispanic | 18\% | 16\% | 16\% | 19\% | 19\% |
| Japanese | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% |
| Korean | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 1\% | 0\% |
| Native | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% |
| Other Asian | 11\% | 7\% | 6\% | 7\% | 7\% |
| Other Pacific Islander | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% |
| Vietnamese | 0\% | 0\% | 1\% | 2\% | 1\% |
| White | 2\% | 2\% | 2\% | 3\% | 3\% |
| Decline to State | 5\% | 6\% | 6\% | 8\% | 10\% |
| Total | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% |

## Student Yields

This section reports on "student yields" in EUSD. A student yield, also called a student generation factor, student generation rate, or student housing unit multiplier, is the average number of students living in each housing unit. Analysts compute a yield by dividing the number of children or students living in an area by the number of housing units there. A yield of .50 would indicate that for every 100 housing units, there are 50 children or students in residence there (however uniformly or irregularly the 50 might be distributed among the units).

Measuring student yields in Emery is useful for two reasons:

1. We learn how many students per unit to expect from any specific future housing project; and
2. For the Alternative Forecast, we compare Emery's student yields to yields in other school districts, which suggests how enrollments might change if Emery's test scores and other community characteristics begin to resemble those of other districts.

In order to understand Emery's demographics, we have measured student yields in different types of housing. As one might expect, yields vary tremendously.
Condominiums contain far fewer students per housing unit than houses or duplexes. Housing that low-income households can afford contains many more students per housing unit than market rate units.

In our experience, yields can vary markedly between school districts. During the early to mid-2000s, we believe that the publicizing of test scores on the Internet exacerbated differences in yields across school districts. High test scores have acted as a magnet for families with children. On the other hand low scores have deterred parents from enrolling their children in the public schools. We have measured changes in the yields in other districts that we believe were at least partly driven by the publicizing of test scores.

We also have noticed that student yields vary within districts that have a diverse socioeconomic mix. Districts like Berkeley, San Leandro, and Oakland Unified have wealthy households (mostly in the hill areas) as well as middle-income and low-income households. In such districts, we often see low student yields and high private school rates in the high-income housing areas. This is in contrast to Piedmont Unified, which also has wealthy households, but in which private school rates are low and yields high. Piedmont has high test scores and is relatively income-homogenous.

## Emeryville's Housing Inventory

The first step in measuring student yields is to understand Emeryville's housing stock. The California Department of Finance (DOF) reported 5,998 housing units in Emeryville as of January 2008. These units are of all types, and we need more detail when measuring student yields.

We obtained Alameda County Assessor's Office data on each parcel in Emeryville. ${ }^{4}$ We supplemented this database with information from city planners, and did "windshield surveys" of some areas about which we had questions. These sources included information for 5,628 units in 12 different housing categories (Table 3). This represents 95 percent of the housing reported by the Department of Finance.

Table 3

| Our Housing Database, Using County Assessors Data and Other Sources |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |
|  | Number | Percent |
| Condominiums | 2,717 | $48 \%$ |
| Condominiums/Townhouse style | 269 | $5 \%$ |
| Condominiums/Loft style | 351 | $6 \%$ |
| Units in Large Apt Complexes | 1,095 | $19 \%$ |
| Units in Small Apt Complexes | 304 | $5 \%$ |
| Single Family Units (Houses) | 197 | $4 \%$ |
| Duplexes | 142 | $3 \%$ |
| Triplexes | 99 | $2 \%$ |
| Fourplexes | 132 | $2 \%$ |
| Low quality Housing (Includes SFUs, duplexes, etc) | 130 | $2 \%$ |
| Units that are 100\% Affordable | 75 | $1 \%$ |
| Senior Housing | 117 | $2 \%$ |
| Total | 5,628 | $100 \%$ |

Maps 1 and 2 show where the housing is located in Emeryville, by unit type. The large condominium and apartment complexes are concentrated in the western part of the District, while the single-family units, duplexes, triplexes, fourplexes, and small apartment complexes are located in the eastern areas.

Additional maps are provided in Appendix B, which shows SFUs, duplexes, triplexes, fourplexes, and poor (low quality) residential units, each on a separate map.

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## Student Yields in Emeryville's Housing

To calculate student yields, we used addresses supplied by the District for students attending EUSD between 1999 and 2007. Map 3 shows where students lived in fall 2007: they were concentrated in the eastern part of the District, especially the area east of San Pablo Avenue. Many students live outside the District, but close to Emeryville.

We matched these students to the housing database, in which, where possible, we noted the development's name, or "yield study area." This permitted us to identify enrollments in all of Emeryville's larger housing developments and in many of the smaller ones. Table 4 shows enrollments from 1999 through 2007 in each housing development that we could identify. The table classifies developments by type of unit. The right-most column shows the average number of students per unit over the 1999-2007 period.

Note that children living in Emeryville but attending private schools, charter schools, or a different public school district, are not included in our data, since the District does not have addresses (and other information) about these students.

Several important observations are:

1. Except for Emery Bay Village, condominium units have very, very few students. Many condominiums contained no students at all over the period studied.
2. Housing that is affordable to Very Low or Low Income households has the highest yields.
3. Single-family housing, duplexes, triplexes, and fourplexes have yields that are similar to what we have measured in other districts.
4. During the 1999 to 2007 period, enrollments declined substantially in houses, small apartment complexes and housing that is 100 percent affordable.
5. Large apartment complexes do not yield many students, except those with units affordable to Very Low and Low income households.
6. Yields in small apartment complexes are similar to and perhaps a bit higher than, yields that we have measured in other school districts.


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Table 4



| Emeryville's Housing |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | \# of Moderate Affordable units | \# Low Affordable units | \# Very low Affordable Units | \# Market Rate Units |  | Number of Students |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \frac{0}{0} \\ & \dot{\text { D/ }} \\ & \text { O } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |
| Name | \# All Units |  |  |  |  | Year Built | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 |  |
| Larger Apartment Complexes |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Bridgecourt Apts | 220 | 0 | 64 | 24 | 132 | 1997 | 34 | 33 | 32 | 42 | 32 | 34 | 42 | 34 | 32 | 0.16 |
| Archstone Apts | 260 | 0 | 0 | 52 | 208 | 1993 | 26 | 23 | 27 | 29 | 24 | 33 | 16 | 13 | 12 | 0.09 |
| Metropolitan at Bay Street Apts | 284 | 0 | 0 | 57 | 227 | 2005 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 5 | 12 | 0.03 |
| Courtyards Apts at 65th | 331 | 62 | 0 | 1 | 268 | 2004 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0.00 |
| Subtotal | 1095 | 62 | 64 | 134 | 835 |  | 60 | 56 | 59 | 71 | 56 | 67 | 59 | 54 | 57 | 0.05 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Partially Rented Apts |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Avenue 64 | 224 | 15 | 8 | 0 | 201 | 2007 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Developments that are 100\% | fordable |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Triangle Court | 20 | 0 | 11 | 9 | 0 | 1994 | 26 | 26 | 23 | 19 | 20 | 19 | 23 | 23 | 21 | 1.11 |
| Ocean Avenue Ct (1265 \& 1269) | 6 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | n.a. | 11 | 10 | 11 | 6 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0.87 |
| Emery Glen (6200 Doyle) | 36 | 0 | 0 | 36 | 0 | 1983 | 44 | 37 | 28 | 23 | 26 | 35 | 31 | 28 | 29 | 0.87 |
| Gateway Commons | 6 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 5 | 0.31 |
| Bay Bridge Apts | 6 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 1998 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0.04 |
| 1258 \& 1268 64TH ST | 5 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1998 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 |
| Artisan Walk |  |  |  |  |  | 2006 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Subtotal | 79 | 7 | 15 | 57 |  |  | 81 | 73 | 62 | 48 | 49 | 58 | 59 | 57 | 56 | 0.76 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Senior Housing |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Emery Villa | 50 | 0 | 50 | 0 | 0 | 1993 | 4 | 6 | 8 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0.05 |
| Avalon Sr Apts | 67 | 0 | 66 | 0 | 1 | 2000 |  |  | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 |
| Subtotal | 117 |  |  |  |  |  | 4 | 6 | 8 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0.02 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Houses |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Single Family Units | 197 |  |  |  |  |  | 137 | 140 | 134 | 99 | 100 | 94 | 85 | 77 | 72 | 0.53 |
| Duplexes | 142 |  |  |  |  |  | 28 | 27 | 33 | 29 | 39 | 33 | 22 | 29 | 26 | 0.21 |
| Triplexes | 99 |  |  |  |  |  | 27 | 30 | 27 | 24 | 14 | 18 | 21 | 19 | 14 | 0.22 |
| Fourplexes | 132 |  |  |  |  |  | 43 | 44 | 34 | 26 | 38 | 32 | 33 | 32 | 31 | 0.26 |
| Low quality housing | 130 |  |  |  |  |  | 31 | 33 | 36 | 28 | 21 | 29 | 39 | 23 | 25 | 0.23 |
| Subtotal | 700 |  |  |  |  |  | 266 | 274 | 264 | 206 | 212 | 206 | 200 | 180 | 168 | 0.31 |



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Table 5 summarizes the student yields by category of housing. ${ }^{5}$

## Table 5

| Average Student Yield 1999-2007 in Emery Unified |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Affordable to | Affordable to Low or |
|  | Market Rate | Moderate Income Households | Very Low Income Households |
| Market Rate Units |  |  |  |
| Condominiums/THs | 0.07 | 0.00 | 0.13 |
| Condominiums/Lofts | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Condominiums | 0.007 | 0.10 | 0.20 |
| Units in Small Apt Complexes | 0.23 | 0.00* | no units |
| Units in Large Apt Complexes | 0.01 | 0.03 * | 0.25 |
| Developments that are 100\% Affordable | no units | 0.31* | 0.87 |
| Single Family Units (Houses) | 0.53 | no units | no units |
| Duplexes | 0.21 | no units | no units |
| Triplexes | 0.22 | no units | no units |
| Fourplexes | 0.26 | no units | no units |
| Low quality Housing | 0.23 | no units | no units |
| Senior Housing | 0.02 | no units | no units |
| * small sample size |  |  |  |

## Student Yields in Other Districts

We have conducted demographic studies for other Bay Area school districts, and we present yield information here for comparison purposes; we also present it to suggest what EUSD yields could be if test scores and other community characteristics were to change.

We measured student yields in the Albany Unified School District when we worked there in 2001. Albany is considered a very desirable school district, with high test scores and a diverse population. Albany includes University Village, which houses U.C. Berkeley graduate student families. In addition, Albany has a family-friendly atmosphere due to its concentration of single-family units, its Solano Avenue shopping district, and neighborhood parks.

Albany contains three large condominium complexes that are visible from Interstate 80. All three are on Pierce Street (535, 545, and 555 Pierce). Table 6 shows the student yields in 2000 and 2001, as well as some characteristics of the condominiums. The average student yield of .20 for these units is much higher than the student yield we have measured in other condominium developments. Most students living in the condominiums had Asian surnames.

[^3]A typical condominium yield in other districts we have studied is between .05 and .10 . Albany's yield of .20 is quite high. We believe the attractiveness of the Albany schools and community explain this yield.

Table 6

| Albany's High Rise Condominiums |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Name | Address | Yr. Built | \# Units | Number of Students |  | Student Yield |  |
|  |  |  |  | 2000 | 2001 | 2000 | 2001 |
| Bayside Commons | 535 Pierce Street | 1988 | 235 | 41 | 52 | 0.17 | 0.22 |
| Bridgewater | 545 Pierce Street | 1986 | 103 | 15 | 18 | 0.15 | 0.17 |
| Gateview | 555 Pierce Street | 1977 | 466 | 93 | 90 | 0.20 | 0.19 |
| All |  |  | 804 | 149 | 160 | 0.19 | 0.20 |

We also measured yields in Albany's smaller apartment complexes (less than 50 units per complex). We found yields averaging .30, which is higher than those we have measured in other districts.

Emeryville has some large apartment complexes. Except for those with affordable housing, the large apartment developments had relatively low yields. Our experience with other districts suggests that apartment yields can vary tremendously: some have no students, while others can have yields as high as .50. The larger complexes tend to have lower yields, but that is not always the case.

To our knowledge, Albany does not contain any large apartment complexes. However, Alameda Unified has one large apartment complex that could be useful for comparison purposes: the newly renovated Summer House development. Its units are being marketed as luxury apartments. It has no affordable units. As of fall 2007, it was only partially completed. Of the units that were rented, the yield was .08 . This yield is within the range we expected. Note that Emeryville's large apartment complexes have been averaging a yield of .05 , including units that are affordable, compared to Alameda's . 08 market rate yield.

We have measured yields for many school districts in the San Francisco Bay Area, including Hayward Unified, Oakland Unified, San Leandro Unified, Los Altos Elementary, and Palo Alto Unified. The results of these studies inform our discussion in the last section of this report of how Emery's yields could increase if test scores improved substantially.

## Students from New Housing

More than 1,700 housing units have been built since 2000 in the City of Emeryville. Construction continues, but the pace of residential housing sales has slowed considerably and it is not clear if all projects that have been proposed, or even those that have been approved, will actually be built in the foreseeable future. Therefore, this section presents two housing forecasts: a "Full Housing Forecast" that includes all of the approved and proposed developments; and a "Conservative Housing Forecast" that assumes only a subset of projects will actually be built.

No matter which housing forecast is assumed, District decision makers need to know how many public school students are likely to live in this future housing. As we explain below, we expect relatively few students to live in the new units, regardless of which housing forecast is used. We expect most of the students in future housing to occupy units that are affordable to Very Low and Low Income households.

The forecasts below show 83 students living in future housing under the Full Housing Forecast and 38 students under the Conservative Housing Forecast. Since there is so little difference between the Full and Conservative Housing Forecasts, we assumed the Full Housing Forecast in the enrollment projections that are discussed later in this report.

## Forecasting Students from Future Housing

We estimate students from future housing by multiplying the estimated number of future housing units by the student yield that is typical of those kinds of units.

Most future Emeryville housing developments will have affordable units. Virtually all of Emeryville is in a redevelopment area, with the requirement that 20 percent of the units be "affordable" to Very Low, Low, or Moderate Income households. Affordable units have much higher student yields than market rate units. In particular, the units that are affordable to Very Low and Low Income households have higher yields than those that can be afforded only by Moderate Income households. Therefore, it is important to take into account the number of housing units in each project that are affordable to families with different income levels.

Table 7 shows our forecast of students from new housing through 2014, assuming the Full Housing Forecast. A total of 2,378 units would be built, most by 2010, though some projects could be delayed if the housing market remains sluggish. Of the 2,378 units, 365 would be affordable, which includes 184 units affordable to Very Low or Low Income households, where we expect most students to live.

The shaded columns in the middle of Table 7 show the student yields that we assumed for the housing forecast. Most of the market rate units are expected to yield .007 students, or seven students for every 1,000 units. For most of the units, a yield of .30 is assumed for units affordable to Very Low Income households, a 20 yield is assumed for units
affordable to Low Income households, and a .10 yield is assumed for units affordable to Moderate Income households.

By 2013, only 83 additional EUSD students are expected to live in the large number of housing units assumed under the Full Housing Forecast. The 2,014 market rate units are expected to house only 15 students, because so few current students live in similar housing. (Remember that this forecast assumes that no dramatic changes occur in the attractiveness of Emeryville and its schools to families.)

Table 8 shows our forecast of students from new housing built through 2014, assuming the Conservative Housing Forecast. A total of 966 units would be built. Of these, 147 would be "affordable," including 54 that would be affordable to Very Low or Low Income households, where we expect most students to live. When we assumed the same student yields as under the Full Housing Forecast scenario, we expect 38 EUSD students to live in the new homes, primarily in the affordable units.

| Project Name | Fo | eca |  |  |  |  | leU |  |  |  | erv | tive | Ho | sing | Fo | eca |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Housing in Emeryville |  |  |  |  |  |  | Assumed Yield |  |  |  | Cumulative Students Expected from Housing Built in 2008 and Later |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 3 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{\stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{0}} \\ & \stackrel{\underline{2}}{\omega} \\ & \stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{\Sigma} \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & 3 \\ & 0 \\ & 2 \\ & 2 \\ & 3 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 3 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  |  | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
| Doyle Street Condos | own | 27 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 27 | 2007 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.007 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Vue46 | own | 47 | 0 | 3 | 6 | 38 | 2008 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.007 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Adeline Place | own | 36 | 0 | 0 | 13 | 23 | 2008 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.007 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Beaudry St THs | own | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 2008 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.007 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Oak Walk Mixed Use | own | 53 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 49 | 2009 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.007 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Oak Walk House renovations | own | 5 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 2009 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.007 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 39th/Adeline(Madison Park) | own | 80 | 5 | 0 | 7 | 68 | 2009 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.007 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| Bakery Lofts IV | own | 18 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 18 | 2009 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.007 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Ambassador Homes | own | 55 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 44 | 2011 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.007 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Marketplace Redevelopment | own | 180 | 10 | 10 | 16 | 144 | 2012 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.007 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 8 |
| Salem Manor | own | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 2010 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.007 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Vallejo Gardens | own | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 2010 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.007 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Glashaus THs and condos | own | 145 | 5 | 6 | 18 | 116 | 2008 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.07 | 0 | 14 | 14 | 14 | 14 | 14 | 14 |
| Subtotal |  | 656 | 20 | 23 | 76 | 537 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Avenue 64 | rent | 224 | 0 | 8 | 15 | 201 | 2007 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.01 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 |
| 1077 41st 4plex relocation | rent | 4 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 2009 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.01 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 1401 Park | rent | 54 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 51 | 2007 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.01 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Subtotal |  | 282 | 3 | 8 | 17 | 254 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Age Song Assisted Living | rent | 28 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 28 | 2009 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total |  | 966 | 23 | 31 | 93 | 819 |  |  |  |  |  | 7 | 24 | 29 | 29 | 30 | 38 | 38 |

Table 8

| Project Name | Fo | eca |  |  |  |  | leU |  |  |  | erv | tive | Ho | sing | Fo | eca |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Housing in Emeryville |  |  |  |  |  |  | Assumed Yield |  |  |  | Cumulative Students Expected from Housing Built in 2008 and Later |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 3 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{\stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{0}} \\ & \stackrel{\underline{2}}{\omega} \\ & \stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{\Sigma} \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & 3 \\ & 0 \\ & 2 \\ & 2 \\ & 3 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 3 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  |  | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
| Doyle Street Condos | own | 27 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 27 | 2007 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.007 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Vue46 | own | 47 | 0 | 3 | 6 | 38 | 2008 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.007 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Adeline Place | own | 36 | 0 | 0 | 13 | 23 | 2008 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.007 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Beaudry St THs | own | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 2008 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.007 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Oak Walk Mixed Use | own | 53 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 49 | 2009 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.007 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Oak Walk House renovations | own | 5 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 2009 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.007 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 39th/Adeline(Madison Park) | own | 80 | 5 | 0 | 7 | 68 | 2009 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.007 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| Bakery Lofts IV | own | 18 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 18 | 2009 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.007 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Ambassador Homes | own | 55 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 44 | 2011 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.007 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Marketplace Redevelopment | own | 180 | 10 | 10 | 16 | 144 | 2012 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.007 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 8 |
| Salem Manor | own | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 2010 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.007 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Vallejo Gardens | own | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 2010 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.007 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
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| Avenue 64 | rent | 224 | 0 | 8 | 15 | 201 | 2007 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.01 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 |
| 1077 41st 4plex relocation | rent | 4 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 2009 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.01 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 1401 Park | rent | 54 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 51 | 2007 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.01 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Subtotal |  | 282 | 3 | 8 | 17 | 254 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Age Song Assisted Living | rent | 28 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 28 | 2009 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total |  | 966 | 23 | 31 | 93 | 819 |  |  |  |  |  | 7 | 24 | 29 | 29 | 30 | 38 | 38 |

## Grade Progressions

This section analyzes what demographers call "grade progressions" or, more technically, cohort survival rates and patterns. Grade progressions are an important input in a conventional enrollment forecast, and we study historical trends to guide what assumptions to use in the forecast model. Another reason to study grade progressions is to understand important demographic patterns within the District. Grade progressions often indicate migration trends, as well as retention rates, especially in the higher grades.

A "grade progression" is the change in the size of cohorts as they progress to the next grade. Figure 1 illustrates this process. One year's kindergarten class becomes the next year's first grade class, one year's first grade class becomes the next year's second grade class, and so on. However, as a cohort moves through the grades, its numbers can change. It is this change (indicated by the small box in Figure 1) that we call a grade progression.

Figure 1: Cohort Survival/Grade Progression


## Most Recent Grade Progressions

Chart 9a shows EUSD's actual grade progressions between fall 2006 and fall 2007. The first bar on the chart represents the change between the number of fall 2006 kindergartners and the number of fall 2007 first graders (the $\mathrm{K}>1$ progression); there was a net gain of two students. The second bar on the chart indicates that as the first graders from 2006 progressed to the second grade in fall 2007, there was a net loss of five students (the $1>2$ progression). ${ }^{6}$ Each bar on the chart presents the grade progression between each pair of grades.

[^4]Emery administrators have indicated that the high school grade progressions are affected by some students repeating grades, then sometimes "catching up." This is likely to explain the large numbers - both positive and negative - in the high school grade progressions. Students repeating ninth and tenth grades would increase the $8>9$ and $9>10$ grade progressions, while making the $10>11$ and $11>12$ progressions particularly negative.

Chart 9 b shows grade progression rates. This shows the percentage change in the number of students as each cohort progressed to the next grade between fall 2006 and fall 2007. The first bar on the chart shows that the kindergarten class of fall 2006 increased by six percent when the students became first graders in fall 2007.

Chart 9a


Chart 9b


## Grade Progression Patterns Over Time

What are EUSD's typical grade progressions? How does the most recent set of progressions compare with that of each past year? In Appendix B we provide the historical annual grade progressions for each pair of years for which we have resident data. In addition to scrutinizing each set of charts, we have summarized each year's grade progressions by school level ( K to 5,6 to 8,9 to 12 ) and compared the results across the years. We call these "aggregated grade progressions." ${ }^{7}$ These measures are useful for comparing trends over time, giving a long-term perspective on this important assumption in the forecast model.

Chart 10 shows cohort size changes for elementary, middle, and high school resident students during each of the last seven pairs of years, covering all years for which we have student address data.

In the elementary grades, note the huge loss of students between fall 2001 and fall 2002. A net total of 46 fall 2001 students in kindergarten through fourth grades did not return the following year. Other than this pair of years, the elementary aggregate grade progressions have not fluctuated much. In most other years, the District loses a net of five to 20 students as the elementary students move to the next grade.

Middle school grade progressions have a different pattern. The fall 2001 to fall 2002 grade progression was not particularly low. The range of variation is between a net gain of 11 students and a net loss of 17 students. This is a large range given that middle school covers only three grades, and is about half the size of the combined elementary cohorts.

High school grade progressions show a distinct pattern different from those of the other two grade levels: grade progressions have become progressively less negative over time. The higher grade progressions could be a result of one or more of the following factors: lower dropout rates, more students taking five years to complete high school, more households moving into Emeryville with high school-aged children, and/or more students transferring from secondary charter (or private) schools into Emery's high school.

[^5]Chart 10: Grade Progressions for Residents Only


Chart 11 shows the aggregate grade progressions when the out-of-district students are included. These historical figures rely on CBEDS data, which we have from 1981 onward. Because the District has so many out of district students, it is difficult to draw meaning from the patterns. Changes in grade progressions could result from changes in the number of out-of-district students admitted, or they could result from changes in resident enrollments.

Whatever the cause, we see that elementary aggregate grade progressions were very high between 1995 and 1998, while middle and high school grade progressions were particularly high between fall 1996 and fall 1997.

Similar to the residents only graphs (Charts 10), the aggregate elementary grade progression was particularly low between fall 2001 and fall 2002.

Generally, middle school grade progressions are higher when the out-of-district students are included, probably because the District admits more out-of-district students at these levels. The reverse is true for the high school students: grade progressions are higher for residents than for residents and non-residents combined.

Chart 11: Grade Progressions for All Students


## Following Cohorts Over Time

Another way to measure grade progressions is to follow a single cohort over time. Because we are interested in the demographic patterns within Emeryville, we track only District residents, and exclude students with out-of-district addresses. Chart 12a tracks the kindergarten class of 1999 as it progressed through the grades. The cohort started with 39 students, dipped to 29 students by the fourth grade, then rose again in the sixth grade. A large drop, to the lowest number over the nine years, was experienced between seventh and eighth grades. Note that because of the small sizes of resident cohorts, random variation can play a large role in the changing numbers of students.

Chart 12 b starts with the fall 1999 resident fourth grade class and follows them through the twelfth grade in fall 2007. For this cohort there was also a substantial decline between seventh and eighth grades. Enrollments declined as students progressed through the high school grades.

Chart 12a


Chart 12b


## Kindergarten Enrollment

In this section, we discuss historical kindergarten patterns, birth patterns, the relationship between births and subsequent kindergarten enrollment (five years later), and forecasts of kindergarten enrollments using the conventional forecast model.

## Historical Kindergarten Enrollments

EUSD kindergarten enrollments have varied a lot, partly because random variation can have a large effect on small numbers (see Chart 13). Also, EUSD may have admitted more out-of-district students in some years than others. Since 1999, resident kindergarten enrollments have been fairly stable: resident kindergarten enrollments ranged from a high of 42 students in 2001 to a low of 33 students in 2007.


## Birth Trends

Chart 14 shows state, county, ZIP Code 94608, and City of Emeryville births. The state and county followed the same patterns between 1970 and 2006. The number of births increased substantially during the 1970s and 1980s, peaked in 1990, then declined until 1999. However, the decline was less marked in Alameda County than in the state, probably because of the county's housing growth during the decade. In both the state and county, the number of births has been relatively stable for the last 10 years.

Birth data are available for residents of ZIP Code 94608 for 1982 through 2006. The number of births was largest in the late 1980s and early 1990s. Between 1994 and 2002, the numbers were very stable, around 350 . Between 2003 and 2005, the number of births dropped, but rose again to the prior 10-year average in 2006.

Finally, the last graph in Chart 14 shows the number of births to Emeryville residents. Birth numbers peaked in 1991 (similar to the state, county, and ZIP Code trends), and then declined. There is even more year-to-year variation (probably random) in the city figures than for the ZIP Code, no doubt because the city's population is smaller than the ZIP Code's. Note that the most recent year (2006) shows a jump in the number of births: from 83 in 2005 to 103 in 2006.

Additional information about trends in births to Emeryville residents is given in Chart 15, which details births by ethnicity. ${ }^{8}$ We see that the 2006 increase was primarily a result of an increase in White births. Since about 1996, Asians have consistently had more births than any other ethnic group, which probably means that more Asians are migrating to Emeryville. This signals a probable shift in the community's ethnic mix.

Other trends from the birth charts by ethnicity are:

- The number of African American births has declined in recent years, probably as a result of African Americans leaving the area;
- The number of Hispanic births remains low;
- The number of Asian births has increased substantially over time;
- The number of White births has been erratic but with some underlying stability level, except for the jump in the most recent year.

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## Comparison of Kindergarten Enrollments with Births Five Years Earlier

It is useful to compare kindergarten enrollments with the number of births five years earlier for two reasons. First, it can help us forecast kindergarten enrollment for the next four years. Second, it indicates the migration pattern of parents with young children.

Chart 16 compares the number of births (the bars) with kindergarten enrollments five years later (the red line). Far more children are born to Emeryville residents than enroll in its public schools five years later.

Chart 16


Chart 17 shows the ratio of the number of kindergartners to the number of births five years earlier. This kindergarten-to-birth ratio (about 50 percent) is the lowest ratio we have measured in our work for various California school districts. Because U.S. Census data indicate that relatively few Emeryville children attend private schools, the very low kindergarten-to-birth ratio strongly suggests that many families with children born in Emeryville move out of the city before kindergarten.

The conventional way to forecast kindergarten enrollment is to multiply the number of births five years earlier by the typical kindergarten-to-birth ratio. However, Emeryville's 50 percent kindergarten-to-birth ratio indicates that there is a great deal of mobility (families moving out of the city) of families with preschool-aged children. The big
difference between birth and enrollment numbers suggests to us that basing kindergarten forecasts on birth data could be highly unreliable and imprecise. Another factor that causes Emery's kindergarten forecasts to be unreliable is that Emery's resident kindergarten enrollment is very small (about 40 students), which means that random variation can create a lot of uncertainty when forecasting any particular year's enrollments.

Chart 17


The large number of births to Emeryville residents in 2006 would suggest, all else equal, that kindergarten enrollments in 2011 will be high. However, the data on births by ethnicity show that many of the additional births were to White mothers. The past ethnic mix of Emery kindergarten classes suggests that few of these White children will enroll in EUSD schools: for example, in 2007, there were only two White kindergarten students. Therefore, the 2006 birth increase may not result in a large 2011 kindergarten class.

When we take the ethnic mix of the District's students into account, we believe that it is more appropriate to focus on African American and Hispanic births when forecasting kindergarten enrollments. The numbers of births to African American and Hispanic mothers have been relatively stable during the last five years, and we anticipate relatively stable kindergarten enrollments, except for the (small) increases from new housing construction.

## The Conventional Enrollment Forecast

The standard method to forecast student enrollments ${ }^{9}$ starts with the number of students currently enrolled in District schools, by grade. ${ }^{10}$ Student cohorts are advanced to the next grade for each forecast year. This year's first graders become next year's second graders, and the following year's third graders, and so on. However, as a cohort moves through the grades, its numbers can change. When forecasting, it is very important to account for students entering and leaving the District, by grade. We look at the historical patterns of cohort change (grade progressions) to guide the forecast assumptions.

In addition, kindergarten enrollments must be estimated and then incorporated into the model. To forecast kindergarten enrollment, we use non-White births five years earlier, plus the historical relationship between kindergarten enrollment and non-White births five years earlier. ${ }^{11}$

The process described above provides a forecast of residents of existing housing. The final two steps are (1) to add students from future housing and (2) add out-of-district students.

We prepared a variety of scenarios, each based on different assumptions regarding grade progressions and kindergarten-to-birth ratios. We prepared eight alternative forecasts or scenarios, each using a different historical year's patterns for its assumptions. For example, one forecast is based on the assumption that the $2000>01$ grade progressions and fall 2001 kindergarten-to-birth ratio will exist through the forecast period. Another uses the 2001>02 grade progressions and kindergarten-to-birth ratio, and so on, to the $2006>2007$ experience. An eighth scenario, labeled the "Medium Forecast," uses the average grade progressions and the average kindergarten-to-birth ratio.

In all scenarios, the number of students from future housing is the same. We multiplied the number of housing units forecasted by city planners by a student yield based on the type and income requirements of the future housing. The District's existing student yields by type and income were used to guide the assumption about future yields.

Although elementary forecasts are provided through fall 2020, please note that elementary forecasts for 2011 and beyond are not based on birth data (used to forecast kindergarten enrollments), and become increasingly less reliable as the forecast horizon extends beyond 2011. ${ }^{12}$ The middle school forecasts have the same problem starting in 2018. We have shaded these areas of the table to indicate greater uncertainty in the forecasts.

[^7]Table 9 shows grade detail for the Medium forecast, from 2008 through 2020. Chart 18 shows elementary, middle, and high school enrollments for all eight forecast scenarios, plus the Medium forecast. Table 10 provides the enrollment figures for the chart.

The Medium forecast shows a substantial increase in elementary enrollments. The projections show a nearly 80 -student increase in elementary enrollments (from 177 students in fall 2007 to 255 students by 2016). Over half of the increase is students from new housing. However, as the forecast scenarios show, actual future enrollments could be different from the Medium forecast. By 2020, if we exclude the highest and lowest forecast scenario, the enrollments range from 207 to 319.

The Medium forecast shows a modest increase in middle school enrollments beginning in 2011. In fall 2007, there were 82 middle school residents; by 2019 , resident enrollments peak at 111 students. By 2020, if we exclude the highest and lowest forecast scenario, the enrollments range from 82 to 153 .

The Medium forecast shows a large decline in high school enrollments over the next few years, followed by a small increase. Enrollments drop from 144 students in fall 2007 to 91 students in fall 2011. By 2020, high school enrollments under the Medium forecast show 110 students. By 2020, if we exclude the highest and lowest forecast scenario, the enrollments range from 91 to 123.

Table 9

| Medium Enrollment Forecast <br> Excludes Out-of-District Students |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Year | $\begin{gathered} 2007 \\ \text { Actual } \end{gathered}$ | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 |
| K | 33 | 36 | 40 | 41 | 50 | 46 | 47 | 47 | 47 | 47 | 47 | 47 | 47 | 47 |
| 1 | 36 | 30 | 33 | 38 | 39 | 46 | 43 | 43 | 43 | 43 | 43 | 43 | 43 | 43 |
| 2 | 27 | 36 | 31 | 34 | 39 | 39 | 46 | 42 | 42 | 42 | 42 | 42 | 42 | 42 |
| 3 | 28 | 27 | 36 | 31 | 36 | 39 | 40 | 46 | 42 | 42 | 42 | 42 | 42 | 42 |
| 4 | 32 | 27 | 27 | 35 | 32 | 35 | 39 | 38 | 44 | 40 | 40 | 40 | 40 | 40 |
| 5 | 21 | 29 | 25 | 25 | 34 | 30 | 33 | 35 | 35 | 40 | 37 | 37 | 37 | 37 |
| 6 | 32 | 23 | 32 | 28 | 29 | 37 | 33 | 35 | 38 | 37 | 43 | 39 | 39 | 39 |
| 7 | 26 | 28 | 21 | 29 | 27 | 26 | 34 | 29 | 31 | 34 | 33 | 38 | 35 | 35 |
| 8 | 24 | 25 | 28 | 21 | 31 | 26 | 27 | 33 | 29 | 30 | 33 | 32 | 37 | 34 |
| 9 | 52 | 27 | 29 | 32 | 26 | 34 | 30 | 29 | 36 | 31 | 33 | 35 | 35 | 40 |
| 10 | 48 | 42 | 23 | 25 | 28 | 22 | 29 | 25 | 25 | 30 | 26 | 28 | 30 | 29 |
| 11 | 24 | 33 | 30 | 17 | 20 | 21 | 18 | 22 | 19 | 19 | 22 | 20 | 21 | 22 |
| 12 | 20 | 22 | 30 | 27 | 17 | 18 | 20 | 16 | 20 | 18 | 17 | 20 | 18 | 19 |
| K-5 | 177 | 186 | 192 | 204 | 231 | 234 | 248 | 252 | 254 | 255 | 252 | 252 | 252 | 252 |
| 6-8 | 82 | 77 | 81 | 79 | 87 | 90 | 94 | 97 | 97 | 101 | 108 | 109 | 111 | 108 |
| 9-12 | 144 | 124 | 111 | 101 | 91 | 95 | 98 | 93 | 100 | 97 | 98 | 103 | 103 | 110 |
| K-12 | 403 | 387 | 384 | 383 | 409 | 418 | 440 | 442 | 451 | 453 | 459 | 464 | 466 | 470 |


| Table 10 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Enrollment Forecast Scenarios, Excludes Out-of-District Students |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | K to 5 Enrollments |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2020 |
|  | 1999>2000 Experience | 177 | 187 | 195 | 209 | 238 | 241 | 258 | 263 | 264 | 265 | 262 | 262 | 262 | 262 |
| W | 2000>2001 Experience | 177 | 192 | 195 | 202 | 233 | 235 | 248 | 251 | 252 | 254 | 251 | 251 | 251 | 251 |
| O | 2001>2002 Experience | 177 | 159 | 149 | 146 | 162 | 163 | 172 | 174 | 174 | 175 | 173 | 173 | 173 | 173 |
| 은 은 | 2002>2003 Experience | 177 | 204 | 233 | 261 | 295 | 292 | 312 | 320 | 322 | 324 | 319 | 319 | 319 | 319 |
| ᄂ ¢ ¢ ¢ | 2003>2004 Experience | 177 | 203 | 221 | 247 | 292 | 305 | 328 | 334 | 335 | 338 | 333 | 333 | 333 | 333 |
| ¢ ¢ | 2004>2005 Experience | 177 | 178 | 175 | 178 | 197 | 194 | 205 | 208 | 209 | 210 | 207 | 207 | 207 | 207 |
| - | 2005>2006 Experience | 177 | 177 | 179 | 187 | 210 | 215 | 228 | 231 | 232 | 233 | 231 | 231 | 231 | 231 |
| คั | 2006>2007 Experience | 177 | 181 | 186 | 195 | 215 | 216 | 223 | 228 | 229 | 230 | 227 | 227 | 227 | 227 |
|  | "Medium" forecast | 177 | 186 | 192 | 204 | 231 | 234 | 248 | 252 | 254 | 255 | 252 | 252 | 252 | 252 |
| 6 to 8 Enrollments |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | 2007 (actual) | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 |
|  | 1999>2000 Experience | 82 | 81 | 84 | 74 | 83 | 83 | 88 | 93 | 92 | 98 | 105 | 106 | 108 | 105 |
| \% | 2000>2001 Experience | 82 | 68 | 75 | 81 | 83 | 89 | 92 | 96 | 97 | 98 | 106 | 106 | 107 | 104 |
| O | 2001>2002 Experience | 82 | 77 | 73 | 66 | 67 | 59 | 53 | 49 | 47 | 48 | 51 | 51 | 52 | 51 |
| ¢ 는 | 2002>2003 Experience | 82 | 71 | 74 | 75 | 89 | 121 | 134 | 140 | 138 | 144 | 155 | 156 | 157 | 153 |
|  | 2003>2004 Experience | 82 | 84 | 94 | 89 | 101 | 105 | 117 | 138 | 147 | 158 | 170 | 171 | 176 | 170 |
| Co © | 2004>2005 Experience | 82 | 88 | 102 | 105 | 114 | 112 | 111 | 108 | 101 | 102 | 109 | 110 | 112 | 109 |
| - | 2005>2006 Experience | 82 | 79 | 84 | 79 | 85 | 79 | 80 | 80 | 81 | 85 | 91 | 92 | 93 | 90 |
| ค | 2006>2007 Experience | 82 | 68 | 66 | 63 | 72 | 75 | 82 | 79 | 78 | 77 | $83$ | $83$ | $84$ | 82 |
|  | "Medium" forecast | 82 | 77 | 81 | 79 | 87 | 90 | 94 | 97 | 97 | 101 | 108 | 109 | 111 | 108 |
| 9 to 12 Enrollments |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | 2007 (actual) | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 |
|  | 1999>2000 Experience | 144 | 100 | 87 | 82 | 77 | 82 | 80 | 77 | 83 | 78 | 82 | 86 | 87 | 94 |
| \# | 2000>2001 Experience | 144 | 138 | 128 | 108 | 91 | 90 | 96 | 92 | 97 | 97 | 97 | 102 | 102 | 107 |
| \% | 2001>2002 Experience | 144 | 115 | 97 | 81 | 68 | 68 | 68 | 61 | 57 | 50 | 47 | 46 | 45 | 47 |
| ¢ 는 은 | 2002>2003 Experience | 144 | 116 | 91 | 76 | 69 | 69 | 73 | 75 | 97 | 100 | 104 | 111 | 109 | 117 |
| ᄂ ¢ ¢ | 2003>2004 Experience | 144 | 115 | 110 | 103 | 97 | 113 | 113 | 106 | 125 | 128 | 142 | 159 | 164 | 180 |
| ¢ ¢ | 2004>2005 Experience | 144 | 128 | 119 | 115 | 110 | 124 | 135 | 128 | 136 | 127 | 120 | 121 | 116 | 123 |
| - | 2005>2006 Experience | 144 | 134 | 126 | 108 | 92 | 94 | 96 | 90 | 90 | 83 | 83 | 84 | 85 | 91 |
| ¢ | 2006>2007 Experience | 144 | 146 | 133 | 123 | 110 | 99 | 100 | 96 | 100 | 103 | 101 | 100 | 100 | 103 |
|  | "Medium" forecast | 144 | 124 | 111 | 101 | 91 | 95 | 98 | 93 | 100 | 97 | 98 | 103 | 103 | 110 |
| Total Enrollments |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 1999>2000 Experience | 403 | 369 | 366 | 365 | 397 | 407 | 426 | 432 | 439 | 442 | 449 | 454 | 457 | 461 |
|  | 2000>2001 Experience | 403 | 399 | 398 | 390 | 407 | 414 | 436 | 439 | 446 | 450 | 454 | 458 | 459 | 462 |
| O | 2001>2002 Experience | 403 | 351 | 319 | 293 | 298 | 289 | 294 | 283 | 278 | 273 | 271 | 270 | 270 | 271 |
| 흔 음 | 2002>2003 Experience | 403 | 390 | 398 | 411 | 453 | 481 | 518 | 535 | 558 | 568 | 578 | 586 | 585 | 590 |
| ᄂ | 2003>2004 Experience | 403 | 402 | 424 | 440 | 490 | 523 | 558 | 578 | 607 | 624 | 646 | 664 | 673 | 684 |
| ¢ | 2004>2005 Experience | 403 | 393 | 396 | 397 | 421 | 430 | 451 | 444 | 446 | 438 | 436 | 439 | 436 | 439 |
| - | 2005>2006 Experience | 403 | 390 | 389 | 374 | 386 | 389 | 404 | 401 | 403 | 401 | 404 | 407 | 408 | 412 |
| $\bigcirc$ | 2006>2007 Experience | 403 | 395 | 384 | 381 | 396 | 389 | 405 | 403 | 408 | 410 | 411 | 411 | 411 | 412 |
|  | "Medium" forecast | 403 | 387 | 384 | 383 | 409 | 418 | 440 | 442 | 451 | 453 | 459 | 464 | 466 | 470 |

Chart 18


## Including Some Out-of-district Students

The above forecasts excluded students who live outside the District. However, Emery enrolls many out-of-district students. In 2007, about half of student body lived outside the District ( 445 students). How many out-of-district students will the District enroll in future years?

In many districts, out-of-district students are admitted to balance classes. This has been true of EUSD, but there are at least two other considerations as well. The District has a substantial number of students who are covered under the Allen Bill: either they have daycare arrangements in Emeryville or their parents work in Emeryville. As a result of the partnership of the District with the city's large employers, the District might want to continue to allow students who are covered under the Allen Bill to attend its schools. Currently, District staff statistics show about 100 such students.

The second consideration is that about 20 percent of out-of-district students once lived in EUSD and began attending when they were residents. Significant numbers moved back into the district. Because Emeryville is so small, it is easy for a family to move a short distance and suddenly be located outside the District. Also, many of the households rent, and, on average, renters are more mobile than homeowners. District policymakers may want to allow enough capacity to allow residents who move outside the District to continue attending its schools. This is often the policy in other districts, but what makes Emery unique is the large number of students who fall into this category. These former residents currently number 100 students as well.

Combined, the former residents and Allen Bill students suggest that Emery will want to allow for an additional 200 spaces in their facilities for these students. If desired, Emery could admit more out-of-district students than these two groups. In particular, there are many out-of-district students living in the Emeryville ZIP code, which will probably continue to be attracted to Emery schools.

## Alternative Enrollment Forecasts

We were asked to consider what would happen to Emery's enrollments if Emeryville became substantially more attractive to families with children. On the school district's part, this would mean a substantial increase in test scores, and perhaps other programs that, if publicized, would increase the school district's attractiveness. On the city's part, this might mean an increase in parks, programs for youth, and housing that is more attractive to families with children.

This section discusses the importance of test scores, the District's actual test scores, its appeal as a small district, and, finally, an indication or forecast of sorts of how enrollments could change if test scores improved dramatically.

## Importance of Test Scores

Our experience (not rigorously investigated) indicates to us that standardized test scores influence public school enrollments. Since 2000, it has been easy for the public to obtain test scores of schools and school districts, and as a result, we believe that many parents consider these scores when deciding where to live and whether to send their children to public, private, or charter schools. We have compared grade progressions in the 1990s with more recent ones, and have found that since 2000 some districts with higher scores (such as Palo Alto Unified and Los Altos Elementary) have had increased numbers of families moving into the communities. In other instances, we have seen increased outmigration from districts with lower test scores (including Oakland Unified and Hayward Unified).

We investigated whether academic articles have been written about the correlation between test scores and enrollments. This is a new area of research, as test scores have only recently become widely available. We suspect more studies will be done in the future, but we did find three that speak to this relationship.

First, Justine Hastings and Jeffrey Weinstein documented from their research about school choice and academic achievement that "parents with high-scoring alternatives nearby were more likely to choose non-guaranteed schools with higher test scores." ${ }^{13}$ By "non-guaranteed schools" the authors mean schools outside attendance areas in which students live. This study also points out the importance of parents receiving or having the necessary information to obtain test scores as a factor in determining where their children will attend school.

[^8]Second, Escondido High School in California exceeded its growth target as measured by the Academic Performance Index (API) for four straight years from 2000-2003. ${ }^{14}$ The District believed that the rise in test scores was responsible for the rise in enrollments. The District needed to add five portables to the school's building inventory to accommodate additional students.

Third, Black River Public School, a small charter school in Holland, Michigan, claims it nearly doubled its enrollment from 1996 to 2002 with high test scores and innovative learning methods such as foreign language classes, art programs and Advanced Placement courses. ${ }^{15}$ Although a charter school, this example indicates the relationship between a successful school (evident notably by test scores) and increased enrollments.

## EUSD Test Scores

Table 11 shows API base test scores for each school district in Alameda County. The table is sorted by 2007 test score. In two of the past six years, EUSD had the lowest API base score in the county, and in the other four it was second lowest to Oakland Unified. Meanwhile, EUSD test scores increased substantially between 2003 and 2005.

[^9]Table 11

|  | Base API Test Scores |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | Change: <br> 2002 to 2007 |
|  | 589 | 588 | 627 | 665 | 665 | 656 | 67 |
| Emery Unified | 568 | 592 | 601 | 634 | 651 | 658 | 90 |
| Oakland Unified | 623 | 633 | 652 | 679 | 681 | 674 | 51 |
| Hayward Unified | 652 | 669 | 661 | 674 | 694 | 700 | 48 |
| San Lorenzo Unified | 665 | 682 | 678 | 697 | 696 | 710 | 45 |
| San Leandro Unified | 700 | 708 | 710 | 716 | 727 | 739 | 39 |
| Newark Unified | 719 | 731 | 722 | 736 | 752 | 746 | 27 |
| Berkeley Unified | 712 | 734 | 730 | 742 | 756 | 754 | 42 |
| New Haven Unified | 769 | 774 | 760 | 785 | 792 | 790 | 21 |
| Livermore Valley Joint Unified | 733 | 755 | 758 | 784 | 807 | 805 | 72 |
| Alameda City Unified | 796 | 811 | 809 | 810 | 826 | 830 | 34 |
| Castro Valley Unified | 781 | 802 | 804 | 816 | 827 | 833 | 52 |
| Dublin Unified | 797 | 817 | 817 | 833 | 839 | 836 | 39 |
| Fremont Unified | 845 | 862 | 854 | 858 | 862 | 860 | 15 |
| Albany City Unified | 798 | 818 | 821 | 857 | 874 | 879 | 81 |
| Sunol Glen Unified | 841 | 858 | 861 | 877 | 881 | 893 | 52 |
| Pleasanton Unified | 900 | 905 | 902 | 920 | 917 | 915 | 15 |
| Piedmont City Unified |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## Emery's Small Size

The District's small size is probably quite appealing to many parents. Interviews with District staff members suggest that some families feel an attachment to the District that is evidenced by the fact that many former residents continue to enroll in its schools. Also, we found several students who were once enrolled in EUSD, left for a few years, then came back to The District, often as out-of-district students. When these families returned to the area, we assume that they wanted to make sure they enrolled in Emery. A sense of community is more easily fostered in small school districts than in large ones.

Research has confirmed that smaller districts and the schools within them are preferable to larger districts for a variety of reasons. In an extensive "Review of Research on School District Size," Sibyll Carnochan summarizes the findings in several studies that reach such conclusions as: "Where the size of the district, school or class is controllable, smaller seems to be better"; "Recent research indicates that small schools can be highly effective in providing quality education"; "recommended school sizes have been declining over time"; and "the smaller the district, the higher achievement when
[socioeconomic status] and per-student expenditures were taken into account." ${ }^{16}$ In addition, several newspaper articles have reported that parental decisions hinged on the size of a district (or school), with small districts having a strong appeal. ${ }^{17}$

A small district means that teachers know many of the students and their families, not just those students that are currently in their classrooms. The faculty and administration's familiarity with individual students may make at-risk students less isolated and anonymous than similar students in a larger district. Teachers in smaller districts may have greater flexibility to design classes and curricula to meet the individual students' particular needs.

## How and Why Emery's Enrollments Could Change if Test Scores Improved Dramatically and/or The City of Emeryville Became More Attractive to Families with Children

We believe there is a huge potential for increased enrollments if the District can boost its test scores substantially and/or the city becomes more family-friendly.

When families living in Oakland want to move to a better school district, they may choose Hayward, San Lorenzo, and San Leandro. If Emery's test scores were better than scores in those districts, families would be more likely to choose EUSD instead, particularly when they considered the District's small size.

Because there are so few resident students in Emeryville, even a small number of families moving into the area could have a proportionately large impact on enrollments. Currently, there are only about 400 resident students. Of the many Oakland families who may wish to move to a different school district, only a small fraction would need to choose Emery to have a large impact on District enrollments.

We wondered whether the housing mix in Emeryville made it so unattractive to families with children that even high test scores would not draw families to the District's schools. The city has a large number of condominiums and lofts that are not particularly appealing to large households. We agree with this sentiment for the most part, especially with respect to lofts. In most other districts, we have found low yields in condominiums (less than .10 students per unit). We believe the low yield is because families need substantial resources to purchase condos: families with the financial wherewithal to buy a condominium (but not a house) might well choose to rent a house instead.

We have found that as condominium developments age, units are increasingly likely to be rentals. When this happens, the possibility of more families living in the condominiums increase, for the developments are now like apartment complexes. Finally, as we

[^10]reported earlier, Albany Unified has student yields around .20 in the high-rise condominiums on Pierce Street. It is possible for such units to contain many students, but the draw to the district must be strong.

Currently, Emery's condominium student yields are very low, well below the .10 found in some districts. There are substantial numbers of condominiums, such as Watergate and Pacific Park Plaza, that are not lofts or loft-like, and these units could house students in the future.

The fact that student yields in EUSD's many condominiums are so low means that even a small increase in yields could result in many more students. If we included the future housing assumed under the Full Housing Forecast, Emeryville would soon contain over 4,000 non-loft condominium units. The current yield is about .01 . If the student yield were to rise just a little bit, to .02 per unit, 40 additional student residents would result ( 4,000 multiplied by .01 ). If the yield were to rise to $.10,360$ additional student residents would result ( 4,000 multiplied by .09 ).

## Alternative Scenarios Under the Full Housing Forecast

Table 12 shows how enrollments would change if student yields increased under the Full Housing Forecast. Alternative 0 (meaning "no change in yields") shows enrollments based on the District's average student yield during the last nine years. Under this scenario, there are 530 resident students, compared to 470 students projected using the standard cohort method. The slightly higher forecast produced by the alternative method is a result of using average yields over the nine-year period, which are greater than current yields. ${ }^{18}$

Alternative 1 uses slightly higher student yields in condominiums and large apartments, but keeps all other yields the same as in Alternative 0. These alternative yields are what we would expect if Emery's test scores exceeded those in Oakland, Hayward, and San Leandro. Alternative 1 results in 843 resident enrollments.

Alternative 2 uses substantially higher student yields. These are like yields we have measured in very popular districts, such as Los Altos, Palo Alto, and Albany. These districts have very high test scores, particularly compared with those in neighboring districts. Perhaps the community also would need to be more family-friendly, with amenities for families such as parks, programs for families, and family shopping areas and neighborhoods. In Alternative 2, enrollments reach 1,441 students

## Alternative Scenario Under the Conservative Housing Forecast

Table 13 shows how enrollments would change if student yields increased under the Conservative Housing Forecast. Alternative 0 ("no change in yields") shows 504 students, 26 students less than under the Full Housing Forecast.

[^11]The higher the student yields, the greater the impact on enrollments between the two different housing forecasts. Alternative 1, using slightly higher yields, shows enrollments of 748 students, 95 students less than under the Full Housing Forecast. Alternative 2, using substantially higher yields, shows enrollments of 1,232 students, 209 students less than under the Full Housing Forecast.

## Effect on Out-of-district Students from Test Score Improvements

Currently, about 100 K-8 students attend Emery schools under the Allen Bill. Though we cannot provide a quantitative estimate, we know that if test scores substantially improved, it is very likely that more Emeryville workers would prefer to send their children to Emery schools, increasing the number of Allen Bill requests.
Alternative Enrollment Forecasts, based on Higher Student Yields

|  |  | ville's Hos |  | Housing Alt | Forecast <br> ative 0 | Altern | ive 1 | Altern | ve 2 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Existing | Future | Total | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Avg Yield } \\ 99-07 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | Enrollments | Higher Yields | Resulting Enrollments | Substantially Higher Yield | Resulting Enrollment |
| Market Rate Units |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Condominiums/THs | 235 | 116 | 351 | 0.07 | 25 | 0.10 | 35 | 0.15 | 53 |
| Condominiums/Lofts | 293 |  | 293 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Condominiums | 2628 | 1455 | 4083 | 0.007 | 29 | 0.05 | 204 | 0.10 | 408 |
| Units in Small Apt Buildings | 296 |  | 296 | 0.23 | 68 | 0.23 | 68 | 0.30 | 89 |
| Units in Large Apt Buildings | 835 | 414 | 1249 | 0.01 | 12 | 0.05 | 62 | 0.20 | 250 |
| Senior Housing | 117 |  | 117 | 0.02 | 2 | 0.02 | 2 | 0.02 | 2 |
| Single Family Units (Houses) | 197 |  | 197 | 0.53 | 105 | 0.53 | 105 | 0.58 | 114 |
| Duplexes | 142 |  | 142 | 0.21 | 30 | 0.21 | 30 | 0.26 | 37 |
| Triplexes | 99 |  | 99 | 0.22 | 22 | 0.22 | 22 | 0.27 | 27 |
| Fourplexes | 132 |  | 132 | 0.26 | 35 | 0.26 | 35 | 0.31 | 41 |
| Low quality Housing | 130 |  | 130 | 0.23 | 29 | 0.23 | 29 | 0.28 | 36 |
| Subtotal | 5,104 | 1,985 | 7,089 |  | 356 |  | 592 |  | 1,057 |
| Units Affordable to Moderate Income Households |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Housing that is 100\% Affordable | 5 |  | 5 | 0.31 | 2 | 0.31 | 2 | 1.00 | 5 |
| Condominium/THs | 18 | 18 | 36 | 0.10 | 4 | 0.10 | 4 | 0.20 | 7 |
| Condominiums/Lofts | 48 |  | 48 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Condominiums | 29 | 129 | 158 | 0.10 | 16 | 0.10 | 16 | 0.20 | 32 |
| Units in Small Apt Buildings | 8 |  | 8 | 0.23 | 2 | 0.23 | 2 | 0.35 | 3 |
| Units in Large Apt Buildings | 62 | 34 | 96 | 0.10 | 10 | 0.10 | 10 | 0.25 | 24 |
| Subtotal | 170 | 181 | 351 |  | 32 |  | 32 |  | 71 |
| Units Affordable to Low or Very Low Income Households |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Housing that is 100\% Affordable | 70 |  | 70 | 0.87 | 61 | 0.87 | 61 | 1.00 | 70 |
| Condominium/THs | 16 | 11 | 27 | 0.13 | 4 | 0.13 | 4 | 0.25 | 7 |
| Condominiums/Lofts | 10 |  | 10 | 0.20 | 2 | 0.20 | 2 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Condominiums | 60 | 151 | 211 | 0.05 | 11 | 0.10 | 21 | 0.25 | 53 |
| Units in Large Apt Buildings | 198 | 22 | 220 | 0.25 | 55 | 0.35 | 77 | 0.35 | 77 |
| Subtotal | 354 | 184 | 538 |  | 132 |  | 208 |  | 304 |
| Students not categorized |  |  |  |  | 10 |  | 10 |  | 10 |
| TOTAL | 5,628 | 2,350 | 7,978 |  | 530 |  | 843 |  | 1,441 |

Table 13

|  | Alternative Enrollment Forecasts, based on Higher Student Yields <br> Emeryville's Housing Conservative Housing Forecast <br> Alternative 0 $\qquad$ $\qquad$ <br> Alternative 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  | Alternative 2 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Existing | Future | Total | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Avg Yielc } \\ 99-07 \end{gathered}$ | Enrollments | Higher Yields | Resulting Enrollments | Substantially Higher Yield | Resulting Enrollment |
| Market Rate Units $\quad$ - |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Condominiums/THs | 235 | 116 | 351 | 0.07 | 25 | 0.10 | 35 | 0.15 | 53 |
| Condominiums/Lofts | 293 |  | 293 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Condominiums | 2628 | 421 | 3049 | 0.007 | 21 | 0.05 | 152 | 0.10 | 305 |
| Units in Small Apt Buildings | 296 |  | 296 | 0.23 | 68 | 0.23 | 68 | 0.30 | 89 |
| Units in Large Apt Buildings | 835 | 254 | 1089 | 0.01 | 11 | 0.05 | 54 | 0.20 | 218 |
| Senior Housing | 117 |  | 117 | 0.02 | 2 | 0.02 | 2 | 0.02 | 2 |
| Single Family Units (Houses) | 197 |  | 197 | 0.53 | 105 | 0.53 | 105 | 0.58 | 114 |
| Duplexes | 142 |  | 142 | 0.21 | 30 | 0.21 | 30 | 0.26 | 37 |
| Triplexes | 99 |  | 99 | 0.22 | 22 | 0.22 | 22 | 0.27 | 27 |
| Fourplexes | 132 |  | 132 | 0.26 | 35 | 0.26 | 35 | 0.31 | 41 |
| Low quality Housing | 130 |  | 130 | 0.23 | 29 | 0.23 | 29 | 0.28 | 36 |
| Subtotal | 5,104 | 791 | 5,895 |  | 347 |  | 532 |  | 921 |
| Units Affordable to Moderate Income Households |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Housing that is 100\% Affordable | 5 |  | 5 | 0.31 | 2 | 0.31 | 2 | 1.00 | 5 |
| Condominium/THs | 18 | 18 | 36 | 0.10 | 4 | 0.10 | 4 | 0.20 | 7 |
| Condominiums/Lofts | 48 |  | 48 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Condominiums | 29 | 62 | 91 | 0.10 | 9 | 0.10 | 9 | 0.20 | 18 |
| Units in Small Apt Buildings | 8 |  | 8 | 0.23 | 2 | 0.23 | 2 | 0.35 | 3 |
| Units in Large Apt Buildings | 62 | 17 | 79 | 0.10 | 8 | 0.1 | 8 | 0.25 | 20 |
| Subtotal | 170 | 97 | 267 |  | 24 |  | 24 |  | 53 |
| Units Affordable to Low or Very Low Income Households |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Housing that is 100\% Affordable | 70 |  | 70 | 0.87 | 61 | 0.87 | 61 | 1.00 | 70 |
| Condominium/THs | 16 | 11 | 27 | 0.13 | 4 | 0.13 | 4 | 0.25 | 7 |
| Condominiums/Lofts | 10 |  | 10 | 0.20 | 2 | 0.20 | 2 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Condominiums | 60 | 28 | 88 | 0.05 | 4 | 0.10 | 9 | 0.25 | 22 |
| Units in Large Apt Buildings | 198 | 11 | 209 | 0.25 | 52 | 0.35 | 73 | 0.35 | 73 |
| Subtotal | 354 | 50 | 404 |  | 123 |  | 182 |  | 247 |
| Students not categorized |  |  |  |  | 10 |  | 10 |  | 10 |
| TOTAL | 5,628 | 938 | 6,566 |  | 504 |  | 748 |  | 1,232 |

## Comparing the Conventional and Alternative Forecast Scenarios

Table 14 summarizes and compares the forecast scenarios under the conventional and alternative models, and using the Full or Conservative Housing Forecasts. Using the conventional forecast model, resident enrollments under the Medium forecast are 425 to 470 , depending on the housing forecast. Alternative 0 is intended to mimic the conditions under the conventional forecast. Slightly higher enrollments arise under the alternative forecast because average conditions during the 1999-2007 period are used, rather than the current counts used in the conventional model.

Alternative 1 enrollments range from 748 to 843 , depending on which housing forecast is used. We believe this scenario is likely if Emery's test scores were to exceed those in Oakland, Hayward, San Leandro, and San Lorenzo.

Alternative 2 enrollments range between 1,232 and 1.441, depending on which housing forecast is used. The yields used in this forecast suggest that Emery would need to become very attractive, similar to yields we have seen in very high-performing districts.

Table 14

| Summary of Resident Enrollment Forecast Scenarios |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Forecast Scenario | Assumptions about District's future reputation | Forecast Under Conservative Housing Forecast | Forecast under Full Housing Forecast |
| Conventional Forecast (Medium) | no change in District's reputation | 425 | 470 |
| Alternative 0 | no change in District's reputation | 504 | 530 |
| Alternative 1 | District's test scores exceed those of Oakland, Hayward, San Leandro | 748 | 843 |
| Alternative 2 | District has test scores similar to high-performing districts. | 1,232 | 1,441 |

As we noted earlier, resident enrollments in 1999 were nearly 600 students. As the District plans for new facilities, we recommend that the District plan to accommodate at least 600 students, since it has been demonstrated in the past that resident enrollments can reach this level.

For facilities purposes, whichever forecast is used, the District might want to add an additional 100 students for former residents and another 100 students (at least) to accommodate Allen Bill students.

## Appendix A: Private School Enrollments

Each decennial U.S. Census through 2000 asked a sample of the population whether the children in the household attended public or private schools. These data show that Emeryville has had low rates of private school attendance. Table A-1 shows the private school rates in 1970, 1980, 1990 and 2000, and compares the rate to that in other Alameda County cities. (The table is sorted by private school rate in 2000.) In 1990 and 2000, Emeryville's K-12 private school enrollment rate dropped from nine to five percent. In 2000, Emeryville had the lowest private school rate of any city in the County.

Table A-1

| Percent of Enrollments Attending Private School |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Cities in Alameda County | 1970 | 1980 | 1990 | 2000 | Change between 1990 and 2000 |
| Emeryville | 2.5\% | 10.1\% | 9.0\% | 5.3\% | -3.7\% |
| Pleasanton | n.a. | 3.1\% | 4.3\% | 6.8\% | 2.5\% |
| Livermore | 3.2\% | 5.9\% | 7.8\% | 7.7\% | -0.1\% |
| Union City | n.a. | 12.5\% | 7.4\% | 9.1\% | 1.7\% |
| Dublin | n.a. | 6.5\% | 10.9\% | 9.8\% | -1.1\% |
| Albany | n.a. | 12.9\% | 7.2\% | 10.3\% | 3.1\% |
| Hayward | 6.0\% | 11.3\% | 9.1\% | 10.3\% | 1.2\% |
| Newark | 3.0\% | 9.3\% | 8.0\% | 10.4\% | 2.4\% |
| Piedmont | n.a. | 4.9\% | 9.0\% | 11.2\% | 2.2\% |
| Castro Valley | 7.7\% | 16.2\% | 12.4\% | 11.5\% | -0.9\% |
| Fremont | 4.9\% | 9.6\% | 9.5\% | 12.8\% | 3.3\% |
| Oakland | 12.1\% | 14.4\% | 13.3\% | 13.6\% | 0.3\% |
| San Leandro | 10.6\% | 13.0\% | 11.5\% | 14.2\% | 2.7\% |
| San Lorenzo | n.a. | 14.3\% | 15.3\% | 14.5\% | -0.8\% |
| Alameda | 10.6\% | 11.1\% | 12.4\% | 15.3\% | 2.9\% |
| Berkeley | 9.2\% | 18.5\% | 24.2\% | 24.7\% | 0.5\% |
| Alameda County | 8.3\% | 11.8\% | 10.8\% | 11.9\% | 1.1\% |
| Sources: 1970, 1980, 1990 and 2000 U.S. Decennial Censuses |  |  |  |  |  |

## Appendix B: Additional Maps and Tables



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## Historical Annual Grade Progressions of Resident Enrollments



## Historical Enrollments, Resident and Out-of-district Students

CBEDS Enrollments (District total)

| Year | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| K | 65 | 72 | 66 | 57 | 52 | 57 | 58 | 55 | 64 |
| 1 | 76 | 61 | 75 | 59 | 53 | 53 | 58 | 57 | 60 |
| 2 | 76 | 75 | 75 | 63 | 70 | 59 | 62 | 54 | 60 |
| 3 | 81 | 83 | 61 | 65 | 63 | 68 | 55 | 63 | 59 |
| 4 | 93 | 76 | 84 | 66 | 66 | 54 | 73 | 55 | 60 |
| 5 | 74 | 87 | 74 | 73 | 60 | 60 | 55 | 60 | 58 |
| 6 | 101 | 81 | 117 | 84 | 76 | 62 | 63 | 59 | 66 |
| 7 | 75 | 89 | 65 | 91 | 71 | 72 | 62 | 62 | 61 |
| 8 | 62 | 65 | 85 | 61 | 80 | 79 | 85 | 62 | 54 |
| 9 | 96 | 83 | 87 | 66 | 63 | 90 | 96 | 79 | 79 |
| 10 | 76 | 71 | 88 | 72 | 49 | 51 | 75 | 92 | 81 |
| 11 | 68 | 66 | 55 | 58 | 50 | 37 | 40 | 68 | 64 |
| 12 | 34 | 53 | 59 | 66 | 44 | 46 | 40 | 36 | 56 |
| K-5 | 465 | 454 | 435 | 383 | 364 | 351 | 361 | 344 | 361 |
| 6-8 | 238 | 235 | 267 | 236 | 227 | 213 | 210 | 183 | 181 |
| 9-12 | 274 | 273 | 289 | 262 | 206 | 224 | 251 | 275 | 280 |
| K-12 | 977 | 962 | 991 | 881 | 797 | 788 | 822 | 802 | 822 |

Resident Enrollments

| Year | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| K | 39 | 39 | 40 | 36 | 33 | 39 | 34 | 34 | 33 |
| 1 | 58 | 32 | 39 | 31 | 28 | 34 | 33 | 32 | 36 |
| 2 | 49 | 57 | 37 | 25 | 42 | 33 | 31 | 25 | 27 |
| 3 | 46 | 53 | 41 | 30 | 33 | 40 | 30 | 32 | 28 |
| 4 | 64 | 39 | 56 | 39 | 29 | 29 | 40 | 26 | 32 |
| 5 | 50 | 58 | 41 | 41 | 33 | 30 | 27 | 33 | 21 |
| 6 | 60 | 46 | 68 | 43 | 48 | 35 | 35 | 31 | 32 |
| 7 | 38 | 57 | 28 | 53 | 36 | 42 | 40 | 33 | 26 |
| 8 | 34 | 44 | 50 | 31 | 36 | 45 | 41 | 36 | 24 |
| 9 | 58 | 36 | 50 | 40 | 36 | 44 | 50 | 38 | 52 |
| 10 | 41 | 30 | 38 | 35 | 29 | 20 | 33 | 42 | 48 |
| 11 | 34 | 27 | 23 | 22 | 20 | 19 | 15 | 29 | 24 |
| 12 | 16 | 20 | 19 | 28 | 19 | 19 | 19 | 15 | 20 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| K-5 | 306 | 278 | 254 | 202 | 198 | 205 | 195 | 182 | 177 |
| $6-8$ | 132 | 147 | 146 | 127 | 120 | 122 | 116 | 100 | 82 |
| $9-12$ | 149 | 113 | 130 | 125 | 104 | 102 | 117 | 124 | 144 |
| K-12 | 587 | 538 | 530 | 454 | 422 | 429 | 428 | 406 | 403 |

Out-of-District Students

| Year | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| K | 26 | 33 | 26 | 21 | 19 | 18 | 24 | 21 | 31 |
| 1 | 18 | 29 | 36 | 28 | 25 | 19 | 25 | 25 | 24 |
| 2 | 27 | 18 | 38 | 38 | 28 | 26 | 31 | 29 | 33 |
| 3 | 35 | 30 | 20 | 35 | 30 | 28 | 25 | 31 | 31 |
| 4 | 29 | 37 | 28 | 27 | 37 | 25 | 33 | 29 | 28 |
| 5 | 24 | 29 | 33 | 32 | 27 | 30 | 28 | 27 | 37 |
| 6 | 41 | 35 | 49 | 41 | 28 | 27 | 28 | 28 | 34 |
| 7 | 37 | 32 | 37 | 38 | 35 | 30 | 22 | 29 | 35 |
| 8 | 28 | 21 | 35 | 30 | 44 | 34 | 44 | 26 | 30 |
| 9 | 38 | 47 | 37 | 26 | 27 | 46 | 46 | 41 | 27 |
| 10 | 35 | 41 | 50 | 37 | 20 | 31 | 42 | 50 | 33 |
| 11 | 34 | 39 | 32 | 36 | 30 | 18 | 25 | 39 | 40 |
| 12 | 18 | 33 | 40 | 38 | 25 | 27 | 21 | 21 | 36 |
| K-5 | 159 | 176 | 181 | 181 | 166 | 146 | 166 | 162 | 184 |
| 6-8 | 106 | 88 | 121 | 109 | 107 | 91 | 94 | 83 | 99 |
| 9-12 | 125 | 160 | 159 | 137 | 102 | 122 | 134 | 151 | 136 |
| K-12 | 390 | 424 | 461 | 427 | 375 | 359 | 394 | 396 | 419 |


[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ Out-of-district enrollments may have been high before 1999, but we lack the data to check this.

[^1]:    ${ }^{2}$ These data are from CBEDS reports, and are available online from the California Department of Education (CDE) web site.

[^2]:    ${ }^{4}$ The data were purchased from a private company, CD-Data, but the data originate from the County Assessor's Office.

[^3]:    ${ }^{5}$ The summary data in Table 5 does not bear an exact correspondence to the data in Table 4 because we had to make some assumptions and perform some calculations to arrive at summary data.

[^4]:    ${ }^{6}$ For enrollment forecasting purposes, it does not matter whether exactly the same students are present in consecutive years. Grade progressions are measures of net changes in cohorts. Theoretically, 100 percent of a cohort could move to the next grade, but they might not be the same students if the number of students who entered exactly replaced children who moved away.

[^5]:    ${ }^{7}$ To summarize elementary grade progressions, we compare the sum of kindergarten through fourth grade enrollments one year with the sum of first through fifth grade enrollments the following year. To summarize middle school grade progressions, we compare the sum of fifth through seventh grade enrollments one year with sixth through eighth grade enrollments the following year. To summarize high school grade progressions, we compare the sum of eighth through eleventh grade enrollments one year with ninth through twelfth grade enrollments the following year.

[^6]:    ${ }^{8}$ The ethnic categories in these charts reflects the mother's ethnicity, since this is how births are reported.

[^7]:    ${ }^{9}$ The standard forecasting technique reported here is called the cohort survival method or cohort component method.
    ${ }^{10}$ For our forecast, we began with EUSD students enrolled on CBEDS date in October 2007.
    ${ }^{11}$ We exclude White births from our calculations because so few Whites enroll in Emery's kindergarten classes and because the White births have been erratic.
    ${ }^{12}$ The kindergarten forecast for 2012 and beyond is set equal to the 2011 level.

[^8]:    ${ }^{13}$ Information, School Choice, and Academic Achievement: Evidence from Two Experiments, Justine S. Hastings and Jeffrey M. Weinstein, March 2008,
    http://aida.econ.yale.edu/~jh529/Hastings\&Weinstein_InfoChoiceOutcomes.pdf

[^9]:    ${ }^{14}$ Escondido High School: California School exceeds growth target measured by API, May 15, 2005, http://www.euhsd.k12.ca.us/images/sarcs/ehs sarc.pdf
    ${ }^{15}$ Charter School Boasts High Test Scores, Innovative Learning Methods, November 17, 2002, http://www.educationreport.org/pubs/mer/article.aspx?ID=4852

[^10]:    ${ }^{16}$ See Sibyll Carnochan, "Review of Research on School District Size," Winter 1997, part of Policy Issues and Prospects: Regarding the Potential Breakup of the Los Angeles Unified School District. http://www.gseis.ucla.edu/gseisdoc/study/biblio.html.
    ${ }^{17}$ See, for instance, http://www.districtadministration.com/newssummary.aspx?news=yes\&postid=16803.

[^11]:    ${ }^{18}$ Average yields produce somewhat higher enrollments than if we used current yields, since average yields are higher than current ones. Using current yields would mirror more closely the forecast under the cohort survival method, which starts with the current student counts.

