



New School Update:

Herbert Ibarra Elementary School

As part of Proposition MM, San Diego City Schools is constructing 12 new and three rebuilt schools to alleviate overcrowding in the city's most densely populated and rapidly developing areas.

Here is an update on the new Herbert Ibarra Elementary School:

- **School opens:** OPEN! September 6, 2005
- **Principal:** Susie Sovereign
- **Status:** Construction is completed.
- **Location:** 4877 Orange Avenue, San Diego, CA 92115. City Heights. The site is bound by Orange Avenue on the north, Polk Avenue on the south, Estrella Avenue on the west, and Winona Avenue on the east (a.k.a. Alternative Site 2-A).
- **Purpose:** Herbert Ibarra Elementary has eased overcrowding at Euclid Elementary. It has also eliminated student overflow at Carver Elementary and Darnall Elementary.
- **New school size:** The new school can accommodate 700 students in grades K-5 on 8.26 acres.
- **Acquisition and relocation:** The new school required the acquisition of 49 parcels, and the relocation of 215 households consisting of 809 residents. Of the 215 households, 17 used their relocation funds to become first-time homeowners.
- **Name of new school:** The name "Herbert Ibarra" was selected by the community. Herbert Ibarra (1923-1993) was the first Latino principal in San Diego City Schools, assigned to Memorial Junior High School in 1971. He retired from the district in 1981 as principal of San Diego High School.
- **Campus features:** 32 classrooms, 56,000 square feet of facilities, 8.26 acres, 68 parking spaces plus street parking, 90+ trees, joint-use field for soccer and baseball, multipurpose room, library/media center, lunch shelter, elevator and accessibility features, kitchen, faculty lounge, workroom, administrative center and energy-efficient design features.
- **Project partners:** douglas e. barnhart and Ruhnau*Ruhnau*Clarke

Summary

- ❖ Proposition MM is a \$1.51 billion bond measure passed by 78 percent of San Diego voters in 1998. It funds construction of 12 new and three rebuilt schools and modernization of 161 existing schools.
- ❖ For more information about Proposition MM, including maps of the new school sites, go to www.sandi.net/propmm.

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The mission of San Diego City Schools is to improve student achievement by supporting teaching and learning in the classroom.