



# SAN DIEGO CITY SCHOOLS

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## PHOTO CAPTION

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### Early completion of demolition for new school site



SAN DIEGO – Demolition has been completed ahead of schedule to make way for the new Cherokee Point Elementary School on a 7-acre site in City Heights. The project at 38<sup>th</sup> and Wightman required demolition or removal of about 40 properties. Clauss Construction, the demolition contractor, relocated many dwellings to other areas of San Diego County to preserve affordable housing. Pacific Relocation Services managed the relocation of about 400 residents in 134 dwelling units, 16 of whom became first-time homeowners through the school district's relocation program.

Construction will begin in 2004. The new school, scheduled to open in Fall 2005, will house up to 900 students and will alleviate overcrowding at nearby schools. The project is funded by Proposition MM, the \$1.51 billion bond measure that funds repairs at 165 schools and construction of 16 new and rebuilt schools.

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