

SCHOOL CHOICE

BP/AR 5116.1

Conejo Valley Unified School District
Board of Education, October 1, 2019

Presented by Mr. Luis A Lichtl
On behalf of the School Choice Committee

Purpose of the Presentation:

- Provide the Board of Education and Community with the School Choice Committee's recommendations regarding BP/AR 5116.1
- Review school choice philosophy, history and application window
- Explain method for increased access for students who live proximate to the EARTHs Magnet campus
- Review recommended three-tier lottery process as related to EARTHs Magnet specifically

Make-up of the School Choice Committee

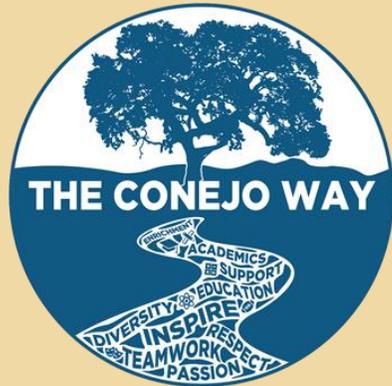
CVUSD Office Staff:

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Ms. Kimberly Huber, Homeschool/Educational Programs



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Dr. Christina Harrison, Assistant Principal Thousand Oaks HS
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Ms. Megan Triplett, Principal Westlake Elementary
Ms. Renee Vlerick, Teacher Representative
Ms. Danielle Staiano, Teacher Representative



Parents and Community:

Mr. Rocky Capobianco, Conejo Council PTA Chair
Mrs. Cindy Mayling, DAC Chair
Mrs. Kinsie Flame, Parent
Mrs. Nicole Jones, Parent
Mrs. Tania Rubin, Parent

History of School Choice in CVUSD and Creation of EARTHs Magnet School

- Choice dates back nearly 30 years
 - High movement at high school level
 - *Competitive model*
 - *Signature programs*
 - *Visual/Performing Arts*
 - *Athletics*
 - Growing movement at middle school level due to space
 - Limited to facility and staffing constraints at elementary
- EARTHs created as a:
- No boundary School of Choice
 - STEM Magnet
 - School uniforms
 - Hands-on learning
 - High parent involvement
 - Created as a response to community request for STEM

Enrollment by CVUSD Cluster – 2019/2020

Current EARTHs Enrollment = 543

448 Students (82.5%) Accepted from the **NP** Cluster

70 Students (12.9%) Accepted from the **TO** Cluster

16 Students (2.9%) Accepted from the **Westlake** Cluster

9 Students (1.7%) Accepted from Out of District

Recommended Changes to BP/AR

- Dates and Timelines have been updated
- Increasing Access to Students in the EARTHs “AREA” is a priority
- Committee recommendations:
 - Use the former Manzanita Elementary Boundary to define “AREA”
 - Institute a multi-tiered lottery system to address the stated need

Three-Tier Lottery – EARTHs Kindergarten Only

Tier 1 - Preschool Program - 10% set-aside for current enrollees of the CVUSD Preschool Program located on the EARTHs campus

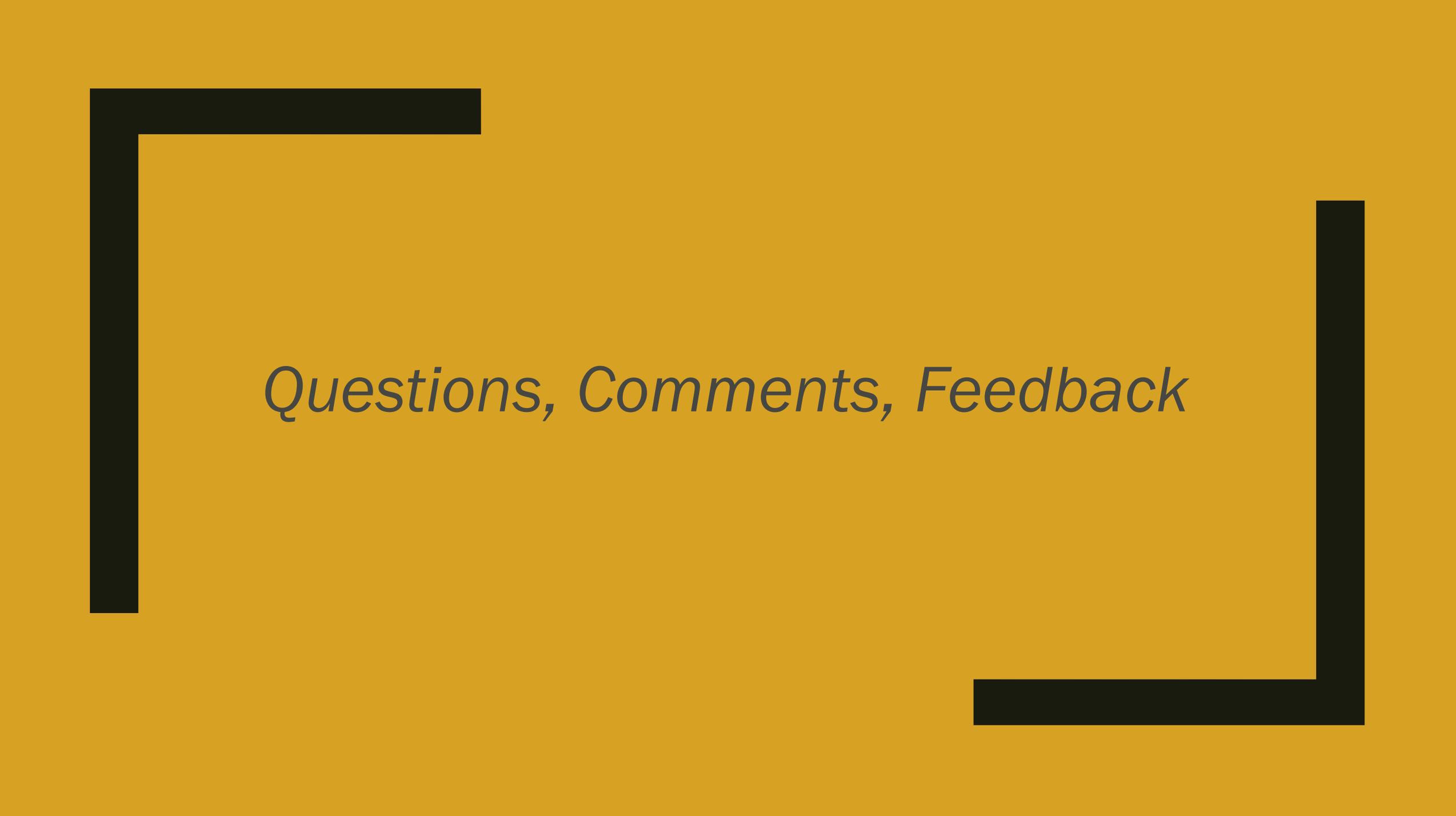
Tier 2 – All remaining pre-school and all in “**AREA**” kindergarten applicants will be considered for this placement with 15% of the available/remaining spaces allocated

Tier 3 – All remaining preschool, in “**AREA,**” and in-district kindergarten applicants for EARTHs Magnet School will be considered for placement with all remaining seats allocated

Three-Tier Lottery – EARThS Only

Total Annual Kindergarten Seats at EARThS = 88

Program/Process	Percent set aside	Seats set aside	Remaining Seats
Tier 1 Lottery State Pre-School	10%	9	79
Sibling Priority 2		35	44
Employees Priority 3		2	42
Tier 2 Lottery	15%	7	35
Tier 3 Lottery		35	0



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