

Quick Tour of New Website – Video Script

We are so excited to unveil our new website design! We've taken your suggestions and are pleased with the results. Reasons for changes include better highlighting what we do (especially through video), and making it easier to find things you're looking for.

You'll find that some familiar items are still there, but some have moved slightly or been re-labeled for better clarity. You'll also see some new features! Let's take a quick tour!

- The top left logo **Icon** always brings you back to the homepage. Here I'll click away and then click on the icon to come back home.
- The **Site Map** is the first icon on the top right, useful if you want *or need* a clean, bulleted text version for navigation and search. You can scroll down or type a keyword into the search field and get a bulleted list of results.
- The main **phone number** and a contact **email link** are now uncluttered and easier to find on top right.
- **Enroll with Us** has a wealth of information about the many choices and programs we offer in CUSD and enrolling in our schools, whether:
 - you live outside the district or a specific school's boundaries and are looking for **Open Enrollment**, or
 - you want to enroll in your **home elementary, junior high or high school**, or
 - you just need help **choosing a school**.
- You'll probably notice that there are fewer **channels** in the channel bar with more descriptive labels. The aim is to provide better consistency across our sites and grouping of like items together for easier navigation. Try mousing over the channels to see what's inside of each.

On smaller monitors or devices [resize width smaller], the channels will condense into a **Main Menu button** that you can click on. **Arrows** then display the dropdown items, and you can either search by **keyword** or click on whatever you're trying to find.

Just as before, channels with a large number of sections inside that would be hard to navigate in a drop-down list (like departments) will display all the sections in an alphabetical directory with one click.

- Here's something new! **Headlines** are intended as a big improvement to the long, scrolling list of sometimes really important or urgent announcements that previously required you to scroll down to even see, and then stretched down a skinny middle column on the page.

Headlines are prominently visible at the top and easy to click on for more information. A headline and a teaser sentence or two give you a summary that you can click on to find out more [Click on **teaser text** to open in same window] on a link, a larger page, or an attached document.

The headlines scroll, as you can see, but arrow buttons allow you to advance, rewind or and pause. You can also pause by mousing over the text.

- **Labeled and standardized Icons** [mouseover calendar, grades portal...] are in the white bar across the bottom, linking you to the most commonly-requested destinations. Smaller versions of these icons are also available at the top of every page throughout the site.
- The **Our Schools** list is now at bottom left.
- The **District Home** link that used to be on top left is now at bottom left, next to the apple.
- **Sign in** (that used to be on top right) is now at the bottom right. *Teachers and other website editors*, that's also where you'll find your **Site Manager!**
- A new **EXPLORE** button will take you down to the next section for more... or you can scroll down.
- You'll find a new **Welcome** message and **Featured Videos** that were previously in a long skinny column, now displayed in a more compact area with buttons at the bottom to see additional videos.
- Here's another new feature! In the previous design, you may remember that resources for **parents and students** were inconsistently labeled and in different locations across our school sites.

- The new **Helpful Resources** area includes a button linked to resources for current **Parents & Students**, but also for **New Families**, **Peachjar eFlyers** and **Staff**. Looking for the *Staff Links icons*? Here they are!
- The next section under the **What's Happening** title, includes the familiar **Upcoming Events** (a quick preview of events happening soon) and **Site Shortcuts**, but also a couple of new items!
- A **News** column contains photo galleries grouped by event or category and other news stories of interest.
- We have a lot to be proud of in CUSD, and so here's another new feature: **Braggs**, to celebrate our outstanding students, teachers, staff and schools, and the special programs we offer.
- And did you notice? It's a little thing, but one of my favorite handy little features is the red "**scroll back to top**" arrow that appears on the right when you're more than halfway down a long page.
- Lastly, at the bottom of the homepage, you'll find **Featured Programs**. Each button takes you to a page with a focus on things that make CUSD a premier district of choice, such as *Award-Winning Academics*, your many school choices at all levels, *Championship Athletics*, *STEM*, *State & National Recognition*, and much more to explore!
- We hope that you enjoyed our tour and found it helpful. If you would like to give any feedback, we encourage you to use the envelope email icon on the top right.