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RECEIPT NUMBER: ENV26098
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LEAD AGENCY SAN JOSE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL SUPERINTENDENT@SJUSD.ORG	DATE 04/28/2026
COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING SANTA CLARA		DOCUMENT NUMBER

PROJECT TITLE
SCHOOLS OF TOMORROW SCHOOL CONSOLIDATION AND ATTENDANCE BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME NANCY ALBARRAN	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL SUPERINTENDENT@SJUSD.ORG	PHONE NUMBER (408)535-6000
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS 855 LENZEN AVENUE	CITY SAN JOSE	STATE CA
		ZIP CODE 95126

PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)

Local Public Agency
 School District
 Other Special District
 State Agency
 Private Entity

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:


- Environmental Impact Report (EIR) \$4,227.50 \$ _____
- Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND) \$3,043.75 \$ _____
- Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW \$1,437.25 \$ _____

- Exempt from fee
 - Notice of Exemption (attach)
 - CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)
- Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)

- Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only) \$850.00 \$ _____
- County documentary handling fee \$ _____ \$50.00
- Other \$ _____

PAYMENT METHOD:

- Cash
 Credit
 Check
 Other
 TOTAL RECEIVED \$ _____ \$50.00

SIGNATURE 	AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE Corinne Vasquez, Deputy County Clerk-Recorder
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SANTA CLARA COUNTY CLERK
CEQA FILING COVER SHEET

County of Santa Clara - Clerk-Recorder's Office
State of California

File Number: ENV26098

ENVIRONMENTAL FILING

No. of Pages: 2

Total Fees: \$50.00

File Date: 04/28/2026

Expires: 05/28/2026

LOUIS CHIARAMONTE, Clerk-Recorder

By: Corinne Vasquez, Deputy Clerk-Recorder

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TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

Check Document being Filed:

- Environmental Impact Report (EIR)
- Filing Fee (new project)
 - Previously Paid F&W (must attach F&W receipt and project titles must match)
 - No Effect Determination (F&W letter must be attached)
- Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) or Negative Declaration (ND)
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- Notice of Exemption (NOE)
- Other (Please fill in type):

1. LEAD AGENCY: San José Unified School District
2. LEAD AGENCY EMAIL: superintendent@sjusd.org
3. PROJECT TITLE: Schools of Tomorrow School Consolidation and Attendance Boundary Adjustment
4. APPLICANT NAME: Nancy Albarrán PHONE: 408-535-6000
5. APPLICANT EMAIL: superintendent@sjusd.org
6. APPLICANT ADDRESS: 855 Lenzen Avenue, San José, CA 95126
7. PROJECT APPLICANT IS A: Local Public Agency School District Other Special District State Agency Private Entity
8. NOTICE TO BE POSTED FOR 30 DAYS.

Filing fees are due at the time a Notice of Determination/Exemption is filed with our office. For more information on filing fees and No Effect Determinations, please refer to California Code of Regulations, Title 14, section 753.5.

Notice of Exemption

To: Santa Clara County Clerk-Recorder
County Clerk-Recorder's Office
110 W Tasman Dr, 1st Floor
San José, CA 95134

From: San José Unified School District
855 Lenzen Avenue
San José, CA 95126

Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044
Via CEQASubmit/CEQAnet

Project Title: Schools of Tomorrow School Consolidation and Attendance Boundary Adjustment

Project Location - Specific: Gardner Elementary, 502 Illinois Avenue, San José, CA 95125

Project Location - City: San José **Project Location - County:** Santa Clara

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

The project consists of: (1) the closure of five small and underenrolled elementary schools and the relocation of one magnet program to a new school site; (2) transfer of students attending the closed schools to other school campuses within the District; and (3) adjustments to the District's attendance boundaries ("Project"). The Project will become effective beginning in the 2026-2027 academic year. The District has and continues to experience significant declining enrollment and must consolidate some of its smallest elementary schools to continue to provide high-quality programs aligned with the District's "Schools of Tomorrow" initiative. The aspect of the Project covered under this Notice includes the relocation of the magnet program known as the Hammer Montessori at Galarza Elementary ("Hammer") from Ernesto Galarza Elementary ("Ernesto Galarza") to Gardner Elementary ("Gardner") so that Ernesto Galarza can accommodate incoming students from the closing Canoas Elementary. The Project as a whole, including the relocation of Hammer from Ernesto Galarza to Gardner and the resulting boundary adjustments, will not require the addition of more than 10 classrooms to any school site receiving transferring students (in this case, Gardner), and will not increase any school's student capacity by 25% or more.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: San José Unified School District

Name of Agency Carrying Out Project: San José Unified School District

Exempt Status: (check one)

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268)
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a))
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c))
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: **Class 1: Sec. 15301; Class 14: Sec. 15314 – Minor additions to schools.**
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: Sec. 21080.18 Closure of public school/transfer of students
- Other. Common Sense Exemption:

Reasons Why Project Is Exempt: The Project as a whole, including the relocation of Hammer from Ernesto Galarza to Gardner, is statutorily exempt from further CEQA review in accordance with Public Resources Code section 21080.18 because the transfer of students from the closing and relocating schools to designated receptor school sites can be accomplished without necessitating expansion of the schools beyond what is allowed under the Class 1 and Class 14 categorical exemptions (CEQA Guidelines, sections 15301 and 15314). More specifically, Gardner will be a newly vacant site that has existing original student capacity to accommodate the Hammer program without expanding or physically changing the school site beyond the applicable categorical exemption thresholds.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: **Nancy Albarrán, Superintendent** Area Code/Telephone: (408) 535-6000

If filed by applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes No

Signature:  **Date:** 4/28/24 **Title:** Superintendent

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant