

## Constant Contact Survey Results

**Survey Name:** Point Loma Cluster Budget Survey 2009

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### 1. Please choose all that apply:

	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
K-4 Parent	165	39.8%
5-8 Parent	142	34.2%
9-12 Parent	104	25.1%
Teacher	74	17.8%
Administrator/Staff	33	7.9%
Concerned Community Member	74	17.8%
Student	1	<1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>414</b>	<b>100%</b>

### 2. As a budget saving option, class sizes should:

	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
remain the same	161	38.8%
increase by 1-2 students	80	19.3%
increase by 3-4 students	21	5.0%

increase by 5 students	11	2.6%
class sizes should be reduced, not increased	125	30.1%
No Responses	16	3.8%
<b>Total</b>	414	100%
85 Comment(s)		

**3. Kindergarten should be reduced to half-day (would save ~ \$17.6 Million)**

Top number is the count of respondents selecting the option. Bottom % is percent of the total respondents selecting the option.

	<b>strongly disagree</b>	<b>disagree</b>	<b>no opinion</b>
	96	70	36
	24%	18%	9%

**4. The vice principal (VP) positions should be: (Dana has one VP, Correia has 2 VPs, and Pt. Loma High has 4 VPs)**

	<b>Number of Response(s)</b>	<b>Response Ratio</b>
maintained at current levels	150	36.2%
increased	7	1.6%
decreased	210	50.7%
eliminated	17	4.1%
No Responses	30	7.2%
<b>Total</b>	414	100%
109 Comment(s)		

**5. School counselor positions should be:**

	<b>Number of Response(s)</b>	<b>Response Ratio</b>
maintained at current levels	273	65.9%
increased	42	10.1%
decreased	57	13.7%
eliminated	13	3.1%
No Responses	29	7.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>414</b>	<b>100%</b>
64 Comment(s)		

**6. Library positions should be:  
Currently: PLHS, Correia, and Dana have a librarian and a library Tech. Our elementary schools have library assistants.**

	<b>Number of Response(s)</b>	<b>Response Ratio</b>
maintained at current levels	310	74.8%
increased	25	6.0%
decreased	55	13.2%
eliminated	8	1.9%
No Responses	16	3.8%
<b>Total</b>	<b>414</b>	<b>100%</b>
51 Comment(s)		

**7. Nurse positions should be:**

	<b>Number of Response(s)</b>	<b>Response Ratio</b>
maintained at current levels	203	49.0%
increased to full time at each school site	69	16.6%
decreased	19	4.5%
assigned to cluster to roam schools within that cluster as needed	102	24.6%
No Responses	21	5.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>414</b>	<b>100%</b>
56 Comment(s)		

**8. Funding for Visual and Performing Arts (VAPA) Department should be:**

	<b>Number of Response(s)</b>	<b>Response Ratio</b>
maintained at current levels	240	57.9%
increased	68	16.4%
decreased	63	15.2%
eliminated	23	5.5%
No Responses	20	4.8%
<b>Total</b>	<b>414</b>	<b>100%</b>
51 Comment(s)		

**9. All high school athletics should be:**

	<b>Number of Response(s)</b>	<b>Response Ratio</b>
maintained at current levels	306	73.9%
expanded to middle schools	58	14.0%
eliminated (would save ~ \$3 Million)	26	6.2%
No Responses	24	5.7%
<b>Total</b>	<b>414</b>	<b>100%</b>
65 Comment(s)		

**10. High school football should be:**

	<b>Number of Response(s)</b>	<b>Response Ratio</b>
maintained at current levels	343	82.8%
eliminated	42	10.1%
No Responses	29	7.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>414</b>	<b>100%</b>
53 Comment(s)		

**11. The SDUSD Desegregation Plan needs to be evaluated for effectiveness and modify if necessary.**

Top number is the count of respondents selecting the option. Bottom % is percent of the total respondents selecting the option.

<b>strongly disagree</b>	<b>disagree</b>	<b>no opinion</b>
14	18	48
4%	5%	13%

70 Comment(s)

### 12. Eliminate Race/Human Relations and Advocacy Program (would save ~ \$1.2 Million)

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<b>strongly disagree</b>	<b>disagree</b>	<b>no opinion</b>
28	60	86
7%	16%	23%

32 Comment(s)

### 13. Eliminate Magnet and Innovation Program (would save ~ \$9.8 Million)

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<b>strongly disagree</b>	<b>disagree</b>	<b>no opinion</b>
49	90	70
13%	24%	19%

41 Comment(s)

**14. Eliminate VEEP Transportation  
(would save ~ \$1.1 Million)**

Top number is the count of respondents selecting the option. Bottom % is percent of the total respondents selecting the option.

<b>strongly disagree</b>	<b>disagree</b>	<b>no opinion</b>
33	67	51
9%	18%	14%

55 Comment(s)

**15. Which statement(s) reflect your position on OCILE Programs? (Choose all that apply)**

	<b>Number of Response(s)</b>	<b>Response Ratio</b>
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Eliminate 4th grade Old Town (would save ~ \$1.7 Million)	172	41.5%
Eliminate 5th grade Balboa Park (would save ~ \$1.7 Million)	177	42.7%
Eliminate Palomar 6th grade Camp (would save ~ \$3.4 Million)	146	35.2%
Keep OCILE Programs	132	31.8%
<b>Total</b>	<b>414</b>	<b>100%</b>

80 Comment(s)

**16. The GATE (Gifted and Talented) Department should be eliminated and the oversight functions of GATE should be delegated to other District departments. ) Administrative**

**oversight at the District level, not the programs or administration at the local level.**

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<b>strongly disagree</b>	<b>disagree</b>	<b>no opinion</b>
116	81	74
31%	22%	20%

73 Comment(s)

**17. SDUSD Prime Time Before and After School Program should:**

	<b>Number of Response(s)</b>	<b>Response Ratio</b>
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be sustained without cost for parents participating families should share costs for program	63	15.2%
No Responses	305	73.6%
<b>Total</b>	46	11.1%
	414	100%

69 Comment(s)

**18. The SDUSD should accept the BRACE team's cost reduction opportunities.**



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<b>strongly disagree</b>	<b>disagree</b>	<b>no opinion</b>
27	60	152
8%	17%	44%

**19. Employee benefits and policies, such as qualification criteria for receiving benefits, vacation and sick leave policies, etc. should be evaluated and renegotiated if not justifiable.**

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<b>strongly disagree</b>	<b>disagree</b>	<b>no opinion</b>
63	52	29
18%	15%	8%

**20. Health Care Insurance:**

	<b>Number of Response(s)</b>	<b>Response Ratio</b>
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Double spouse benefits when both spouses are employees should be eliminated. (would save ~ \$2.4 Million)	239	57.7%
Health insurance co-pays should be increased from \$5 to \$20.	236	57.0%
Employees should pay the PacifiCare premium in excess of Kaiser premium (would s	129	31.1%
Other	33	7.9%

Total

414

100%

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**21. Payroll Freeze of Step (pay increases based on seniority) on the salary scale**

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<b>disagree</b>	<b>agree</b>
170	177
49%	51%

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66 Comment(s)

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**22. Payroll Freeze of Column (pay increases based on certifications) on the salary scale.**

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<b>disagree</b>	<b>agree</b>
196	148
57%	43%

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54 Comment(s)

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**23. District-Wide Salary Rollback:**

	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
No Payroll Reduction	203	49.0%
Payroll Reduction of 1% (\$8,465,640)	41	9.9%
Payroll Reduction of 1.5% (\$12,698,460)	19	4.5%
Payroll Reduction of 2% (\$16,931,280)	17	4.1%
Payroll Reduction of 3% (\$25,396,920)	18	4.3%
Payroll Reduction of 5% (\$42,328,200)	14	3.3%
Payroll Reduction of 6% (\$50,793,840)	19	4.5%
Other	22	5.3%
No Responses	61	14.7%
<b>Total</b>	<b>414</b>	<b>100%</b>

**24. Institute a 4-day district-wide work furlough (shut down the district/school sites entirely)**

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	strongly disagree	disagree	no opinion
	76	46	24
	22%	14%	7%
72 Comment(s)			

**25. Modify the Academic School Year by:**

	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
shorten school year by 3 days (could save ~ \$18 Million)	34	8.2%
shorten school year by 5 days*See DeBeck's proposal (could save ~ \$30 Million)	156	37.6%
shorten school year by 8 days (could save ~ \$48 Million)	49	11.8%
shorten school year by 10 days (could save ~ \$60 Million - could be a penalty)	23	5.5%
keep the school year as is	59	14.2%
increase the school year	23	5.5%
No Responses	70	16.9%
<b>Total</b>	<b>414</b>	<b>100%</b>
60 Comment(s)		

**26. Teacher recruitment and retention:  
(Please check all you support)**

	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
should be based upon the ability to "Engage, Empower, and Educate our Students for the 21st Century" and meeting agreed-upon goals (such as student achievement, professional skills, collaborative efforts, and interactions and communications with students a	225	54.3%
Seniority should be the sole criteria for job retention and placement	19	4.5%
Schools should not be required to accept a teacher without the mutual consent of	178	42.9%

the teacher and principal, regardless of the teacher's seniority

Removal of teachers should be based upon ineffectiveness or divisiveness, and not be arbitrary or capricious	246	59.4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>414</b>	<b>100%</b>
62 Comment(s)		

**27. Teachers salaries should be based:**

	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
solely on seniority (all teachers with equal tenure receive the same compensation)	9	2.1%
seniority plus earned credentials	101	24.3%
upon his / her ability to engage and educate students (incentive based-pay)	188	45.4%
Other	36	8.6%
No Responses	80	19.3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>414</b>	<b>100%</b>

**28. Please prioritize your preferred possible budget reductions.**  
**1. Increase class size**  
**2. Eliminate Vice Principals**  
**3. Eliminate Counselors**  
**4. Eliminate Librarians**  
**5. Eliminate Nurses**  
**6. Eliminate Race/Human Relations Department**  
**7. Eliminate 4th Grade Old Town**  
**8. Eliminate 5th Grade Balboa Park**  
**9. Eliminate 6th Grade Camp**  
**10. Eliminate Magnet and Innovation Program**  
**11. Eliminate VEEP**

Transportation  
 12. Eliminate VAPA Department  
 13. Eliminate High School Athletics  
 14. Eliminate GATE Department  
 15. Increase Seminar Class Size  
 16. Reduce Kindergarten to Half Day  
 17. Reduce Employee Health Benefits  
 18. Reduce Employee Compensation  
 19. Furloughs During the School Year  
 20. Shorten School Year

254 Response(s)

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29. The District has come up with a list of proposed budget cuts. Do you have any budget ideas not covered by the District's list?

	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
yes	105	25.3%
no	203	49.0%
No Responses	106	25.6%
<b>Total</b>	<b>414</b>	<b>100%</b>

119 Comment(s)

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30. Teacher professional development, staffing needs and program design should be determined by the needs of the school cluster rather than at the District level.

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	strongly disagree	disagree	no opinion
	14	14	30
	4%	4%	9%

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38 Comment(s)

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**31. Charter schools are part of the public school system but have autonomy with regards to program design, budget and hiring procedures. Is this an idea I would like to see researched further.**

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<b>strongly disagree</b>	<b>disagree</b>	<b>no opinion</b>
16	41	64
5%	13%	20%

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36 Comment(s)

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**32. Another governance plan being considered is a Cluster Governance Model. This cluster governance model, while under the umbrella of the school district might include more budget and programmatic control by local stakeholders (principals, teachers, parents). This is an idea I would like to see researched further.**

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<b>strongly disagree</b>	<b>disagree</b>	<b>no opinion</b>
11	11	49
3%	3%	15%

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25 Comment(s)

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**33. Board member John deBeck has a plan to divide SDUSD into two districts creating a "coastal district" which would encompass the PL cluster. This is an idea I would like to see researched further.**

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<b>strongly disagree</b>	<b>disagree</b>	<b>no opinion</b>
35	24	48
11%	7%	15%

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45 Comment(s)

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**34. The PLCS Foundation is always looking into ways to improve student learning. Do you have any out-of-the-box ideas that you would like to share?**

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<b>strongly disagree</b>	<b>disagree</b>	<b>no opinion</b>
2	2	183
1%	1%	84%

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70 Comment(s)

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