



BRIDGES PREPARATORY CHARTER SCHOOL

Petition to San Pasqual Union School District from Bridges Preparatory Charter School for Authorization as a Charter School

*The mission of Bridges Preparatory Charter School is to provide
an innovative and inspiring learning environment
where students create infinite opportunities for their success
in a competitive global economy.*

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Why is it called Bridges Preparatory Charter School?

- It is called **Bridges** because our Goals are to:
 - **bridge** the opportunity gap for underserved learners,
 - **bridge** the instructional gap between traditional and virtual learning,
 - **bridge** the collaboration gap that exists between public and charter schools, and
 - **bridge** the funding gap for San Pasqual Union School District.

The Founders of Bridges wish to accomplish four Goals:

- #1- Bridge the “opportunity gap” that exists for traditionally underserved students, placing the focus on giving those students opportunities to succeed.
 - There are issues in our current school system and in our collective mindset that create barriers for some students.
 - Only 26% of SD County 7th graders will complete post-secondary education (NCES).
 - Nearly 30,000 7th graders will fail on their way through high school and on to college.

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- #2- Bridge the gap between traditional direct instruction and virtual instruction.
 - Students will have the opportunity to define their own path of learning, whether it is in the traditional brick-and-mortar school, in an online environment, or a mix of both.
 - Blended learning is complex, but at Bridges it will simply be a method of instruction that can change according to the unique needs of learners.
 - Students will learn in part at a supervised brick-and-mortar location as well as through online delivery with an element of student control over time, place, path, and/or pace.

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- #3- Bridge the support students need from a variety of organizations & agencies, i.e. public schools, after-school programs, youth services, & higher education so college is attainable for all.
 - Bridges will work collaboratively and seamlessly with the local public schools sharing and integrating data across a network of partners to achieve our goals.
 - This is a family business and traditional public schools are vital members of our family.

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- #4- Bridge SPUSD funding gap created by the new state funding formula.
 - Districts with the highest concentrations of poor students receive more funding than other districts.
 - Although revenue increased, districts use it to plug budget holes for healthcare and pension costs.
 - Community fundraising can only do so much; it is time to think out of the box and use your most valuable assets.

Dr. Jeffrey Felix, Founder

- Lifetime Escondido resident
- Over 20 years as Superintendent
- SPUSD Supt/Principal 1997-2006
- Grandparent of SP student



Questions?



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