



Newport-Mesa Unified School District
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Community Schools District Advisory

January 28, 2026

Welcome!



Agenda

- Community Schools Progress
- School Site Work Groups
- Asset Mapping
- Next Steps

What is a Community School?

A friend sees you on the sidelines of a soccer field and asks you, “What is a community school?”

How do you respond?

Turn and talk to a neighbor at your table.
Share out to your table group.
Recorder take notes.

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This meeting is a space for families, school staff, and community members to share ideas, give feedback, and help shape the direction of the Community Schools programs.

By working as a team, we can create schools where all students and families feel *seen, heard, supported, and safe.*

Your voice matters!

Community Schools District Advisory



Advisory Group Roles & Responsibilities

- Member roles
 - Provide feedback
 - Identify community needs
 - Help brainstorm solutions and resources



Belonging in School...

*May 14, 2025 and
November 6, 2025*

Parent Feedback

11/6/2025



All Community Schools

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
Staff smile and say hello to me.	28	3	1		
I am invited to school events & celebrations.	31	1			
I feel safe and welcomed at my child's school.	30	2			
I feel proud to be part of this school.	32				
Teachers tell me about my child's strengths & progress.	29	2	1		
Teachers and staff are friendly and easy to talk to.	29	3			
Staff know my child as a person, not just as					

100% Community Schools Advisory Members report feeling proud to be part of their school, indicating a strong sense of belonging among families.

School Site Discussion

Purpose of This Session

- Review school site feedback shared in November
- Learn about progress on our focus areas
- Ask questions and share input to guide next steps

Group Share-Out

- Each school site will discuss feedback and ideas together
- One parent from each site will share highlights with the larger group





Asset Mapping

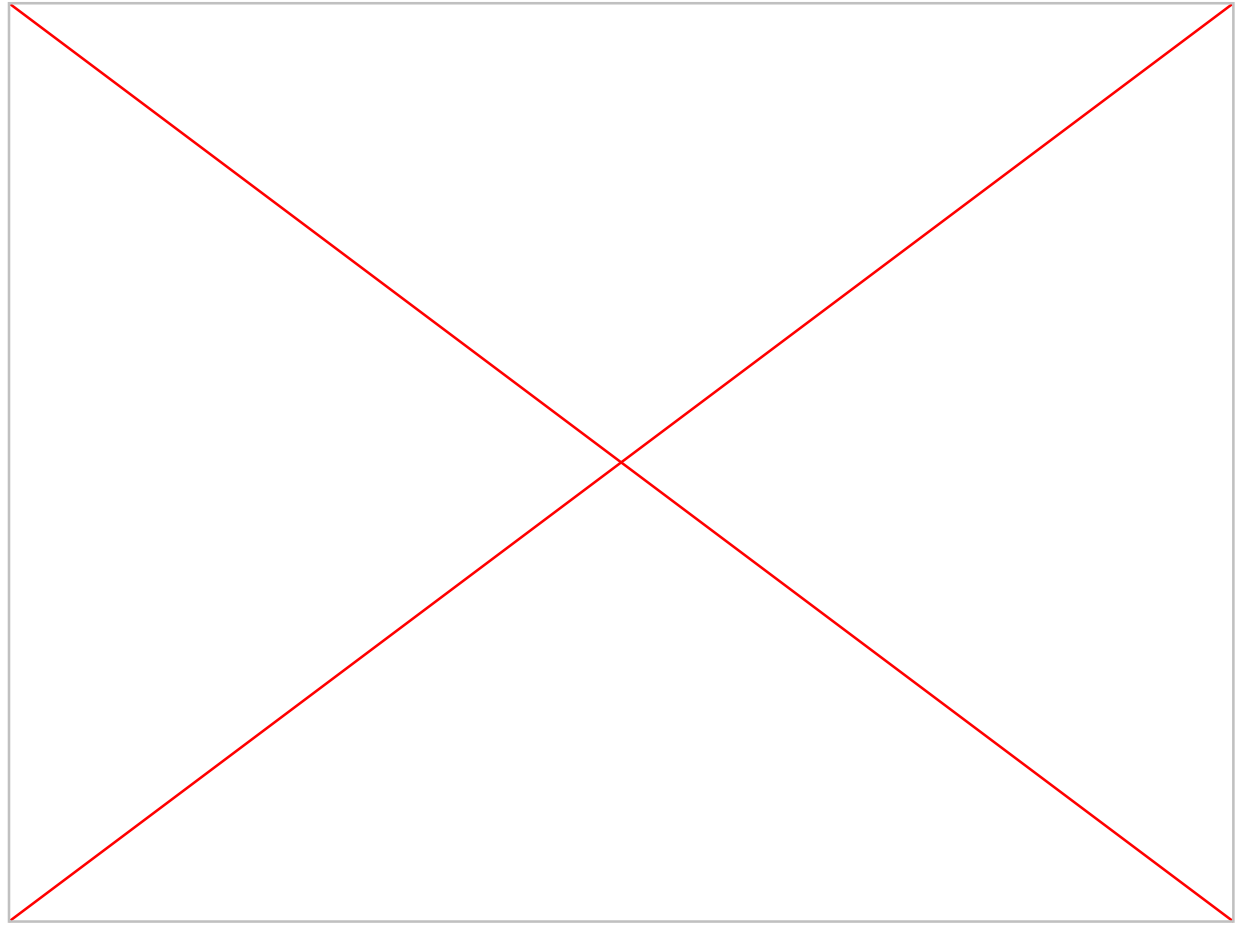
Asset mapping - helps name the **strengths of a community**, like people, places, programs, and services.

For example: Save Our Youth (SOY), Farmers' Markets, Health Clinic, Share Ourselves Health Clinic, C.A.R.E. Club Afterschool Program, etc.

What great things are already in our neighborhoods?

Together we can create something we can share with others.

One of Our
Best Assets
is Our
Young
People





Asset Mapping Activity



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Helps with food	Helps with student family health	Helps with schoolwork	Helps with immigration and legal services	Helps with housing	Helps with -----	Helps with -----



Asset Mapping Activity

What are we missing? What would be helpful?



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Would like help with:	Wish we had more:	My family would appreciate:	It would make a difference if:	One need I see is:	I think my children would benefit from:	Other:



Exit Ticket

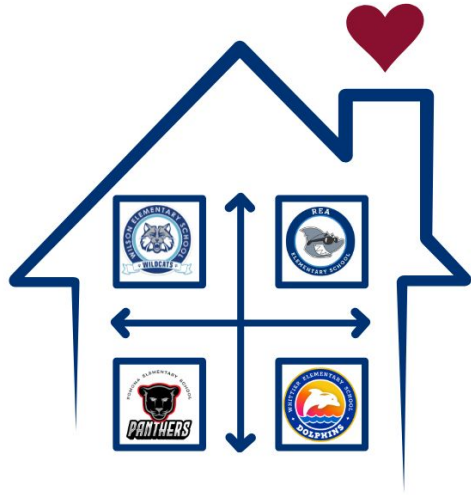
Answer the following question and post it on your school's poster.

What's the #1 strength within our community?

What's the #1 need within our community?

How can we support you?





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Thank You!

See you at the
next meeting on
May 13, 2026