

Important News Concerning the Natural Bridges Campus

Dear Gateway Families,

I hope you are having an excellent summer with friends and family. I'm writing today on behalf of the Board of Trustees to share some new information about our move to the Natural Bridges campus.

Due to unexpected delays completing the improvement projects that Santa Cruz City Schools is undertaking, as well as reviewing our own construction timelines, we have decided to postpone our move to Natural Bridges. We will therefore be starting the 2018/19 school year at our existing Eucalyptus Ave campus. **The first day of school for the coming year remains Wednesday, August 29th.** We look forward to welcoming you for our annual Preview Day on Tuesday, August 28th.



It is not unusual for construction projects to fall behind schedule for a variety of reasons, and whilst progress has been good, at this stage the contractors are unable to guarantee that their work will be completed in time for Gateway School to carry out all of the work we need to do to be sure that the campus will be ready for us on August 29th. The school has therefore decided to make the call now, so that our students aren't beginning the school year while construction projects are still being completed.

We are speaking with Santa Cruz City Schools daily to assess what a realistic timeline for our move might be. We will determine that as quickly as possible, and pass that along once we have a firm date.

While we are disappointed that our new campus won't be ready in August, we are pleased to have our existing campus through next year if need be. Faculty have been notified of the change in plans and will ensure this is incorporated into our academic and co-curricular program without impacting our students.

If you have any questions about this change in plans, please feel free to email me at lemonbalmonline@mac.com or call me on 831-818-5430.

Sincerely,

Paula Grainger
President, Board of Trustees