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Juvenile Justice Commission
County of Santa Clara
840 Guadalupe Parkway
San Jose, CA 95110

Thank you for your interest and support of Osborne School located at the Santa Clara County Juvenile Hall. The Alternative Education Department welcomes the Santa Clara County Juvenile Justice Commissioners Juvenile Hall Inspection Report, dated March, 2015 as an opportunity to enhance our educational program to better meet the needs of our adjudicated students. In addition, the contents of the report serve to highlight the important achievements accomplished through the close collaboration of Santa Clara County Juvenile Probation, Santa Clara County Office of Education and CBO’s (community based organizations).

The department is appreciative of the commendations cited in the report which include recognizing “the level of professionalism and understanding…”

The administrative staff attached to Osborne School reviewed the Commission’s recommendations and have taken the following steps:

**Recommendation 1**: The SCCOE in cooperation with probation create written policies or procedures for Osborne School (page 26):

*Osborne School is guided by local, state and federal guidelines and is included under the SCCOE Court School CDS code. These documents contain required policies and procedures specific to the educational components of the Osborne School and are housed on the SCCOE website including a procedural manual regarding safety which was updated by SCCJPD & the SCCOE this year.*

**Recommendation 2**: The County Superintendent of Schools completes the annual review of the Osborne School (page 26):

*The Santa Clara County Superintendent of Schools makes biannual visits to Osborne School. An annual review of the Alternative Education Department including both Court Schools occurs on an annual basis and is included on the agenda and in the minutes of the designated Board meeting.*

Thank you again for your detailed report on Juvenile Hall including Osborne High School supported by the Santa Clara County Office of Education. Please don’t hesitate to contact me with any additional comments, questions, or concerns.

Warm Regards,

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