

California State University, Long Beach
Norwalk La Mirada Unified School District
IMPACTION DESIGNATION
FAQ

What is the issue?

Norwalk La Mirada Unified School District (NLMUSD) serves approximately 18,686 students district wide with four high schools, one continuation high school and one adult school. One high school, Southeast Academy, has a competitive admission process into a specialized Career and College ready high school that enrolls students who live inside and outside NLMUSD geographic boundaries.

Norwalk La Mirada School Unified District (NLMUSD) is currently not included in the local admission area to the three CSU campuses it is geographically closest to. Those CSU campuses are Fullerton (13.4 miles), Long Beach (13.1 miles) and Los Angeles (13.6 miles). The next closest CSU campuses are Dominguez Hills (14 miles) and Pomona (23 miles). The NLMUSD is in the CSU service area of CSU Fullerton as designated by the CSU Chancellor's Office. See document with service area and local admission area designations:

<https://www2.calstate.edu/apply/freshman/documents/csulocaladmission-serviceareas.pdf>

Because each of the three closest CSU campuses to NLMUSD are impacted, students from the school district must meet higher, more stringent admission requirements to be admitted. This places an unfair disadvantage to the students in the district, limiting their access to the CSU.

What does it mean for a CSU campus to be "impacted"?

When the number of applications received by a CSU campus from qualified applicants is greater than the number of available spaces, a campus is considered "impacted" for undergraduate degree programs or for undergraduate students who apply from outside the local admission area.

An impacted campus is allowed to use additional criteria to screen applications.

What is a CSU "Service Area"?

Each region of the state is designated to a CSU campus that is assigned to provide CSU educational outreach services to the schools in that region. Many CSU campuses used the CSU "service area" in the crafting of their "local admission area" but they are not necessarily the same or required to be the same.

What is a CSU "Local Admission Area"?

When a campus is impacted, students who apply from areas nearest a campus are given priority admission.

In this case, the campus has established a **local admission area** for first-time freshmen and/or upper-division transfer students. This means that, in general, applications received from students from outside the designated local area will be held to higher admission requirements than those received from students inside the local area.

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Why include Norwalk/La Mirada school district?

CSULB is making adjustment to their impaction application to include Norwalk La Mirada Unified School District to their local admission area in support of CSU access for the district.

- 1) CSULB is the closest CSU to NLMUSD at only 13.1 miles away.
- 2) The NLMUSD is adjacent to the CSULB “local admission area” bordering ABC Unified School District and Downey Unified School District.
- 3) There is a historical relationship with the NLMUSD high school J. Glenn High.
 - a. Students from J. Glenn have been served by the campus’ Upward Bound program for more than 25 years.
 - b. NLMUSD high school, J. Glenn, was initially designated as a Tier 2 high school for CSULB when it became an impacted CSU campus. Students from J. Glenn were provided “local admission” opportunity to CSULB prior to our impaction in all programs in 2012.
- 4) NLMUSD has not been served with CSU EAP services in the recent past due to a vacancy in the Coordinator position at CSU Fullerton.
- 5) In keeping with the CSU Graduation Initiative, adding NLMUSD removes an administrative barrier that will provide access for the 400+ CSU/UC eligible students at a geographically close CSU campus with a “local admission area” designation.

How will including NLMUSD to the CSULB Local Admission area impact current schools in the CSULB Local Admission area?

The addition of NLMUSD to the CSULB Local Admission area should not impact the other campuses in the local admission area. It will increase the number of students eligible and admitted to CSULB due to the addition of the NLMUSD graduates to those granted admission at CSULB with minimum admission requirements.

Since CSULB designates “local admission” by high school of graduation, there will be additional students eligible as transfer students using local admission opportunities. CSU eligible applicants who are considered ‘local’ will be offered admission if they meet the Major Specific minimum cumulative GPA and required lower division preparation. This will be a benefit to NLMUSD students who attend community college prior to applying to CSULB. NLMUSD students will primarily attend Cerritos and Long Beach Colleges. A smaller number may attend Compton, Cypress and Rio Hondo Colleges.

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How will including NLMUSD to the CSULB Local Admission impact admission numbers/practices for schools not in the CSULB local admission area?

The addition of NLMUSD to the CSULB Local Admission area may decrease the number of space available from non-local applicants. In the immediate future, the decrease in spaces available for non- local applicants will probably be mitigated by the overall increase in admitted students due to CSULB’s continual increases in graduation rates.

Informational Data

Most current enrollment data from California Department of Education for district enrollment at the five high schools and the one adult school.

High School	Total Enrollment	UC/CSU Eligible	Free/Reduced Lunch
El Camino High School (Continuation)	376	0	162
John Glenn High School	1,417	67	1,106
La Mirada High School	2,078	169	1,016
Norwalk High School	2,198	207	1,714
Southeast Academy High School	*	*	*
Norwalk La Mirada Adult School	*	*	*
* no data available this site Source: CDE/EdSource/FCMAT 2017-2018 Data set			

Enrollment data from NLMUSD for 2019-2020 enrollment at the high schools (excluding adult school) and the middle school campuses for future enrollment forecasting. *Of the data available, less than 10% of students from the NLMUSD are UC/CSU eligible. Adding NLMUSD to the CSULB Local Admission area is critical to being able to serve these students.*

Middle School Sites	Enrollment 19-20*	High School Sites	Enrollment 19-20*
Benton MS	528	J. Glenn HS	983
Covallis MS	733	La Mirada HS	1943
Hutchinson MS	681	Norwalk HS	2029
Los Alisos MS	1111	Southeast Academy	260
Los Coyotes MS	394	El Camino	189
Waite MS	541	*Week # 10 Enrollment	

https://www.nlmusd.org/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=1650742&type=d&pREC_ID=1795166

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NLMUSD student enrollment data to CSULB for Fall 2019. Includes projected numbers should NLMUSD be added to CSULB local admission area.

La Mirada/ Norwalk USD					
Fall 2019					
School	Applications	Admissions Offers	Enrolls	If Local - Admissions	Projected Enrollment
John A. Glenn High School	94	10	5	65	38
La Mirada High School	103	34	8	78	43
Norwalk High School	124	24	4	105	57
El Camino High School	119	50	8	106	40
Southeast Academy High School	1	0	0	1	0
Grand totals	441	118	25	355	178

For Fall 2019 there were 441 total applications from the NLMUSD. Of those, we were able to offer admissions to 118 students. If NLMUSD were to be added to the local admission area priority group 355 total applications would have qualified for admission. With that subsequent increase in admission offers, we also predict that the enrollment would increase seven-fold, to 178 students.