



# SAN FRANCISCO PUBLIC SCHOOLS MAKING A CHANGE!

Families have been leaving San Francisco in droves for decades to take advantage of more favorable policies regarding the public school system in the suburbs. As a result, San Francisco has the lowest percentage of child residents of any major city in America.

## AT LAST THIS POLICY HAS BEEN AMENDED!

In the spring of 2010, the Board of Education unanimously approved a **new policy for Student Assignment** that will begin with students entering transitional grades (kindergarten, sixth and ninth) in the fall of 2011. The new system will continue to give families the option to choose from all SFUSD schools but what is different is how students will be assigned to schools when there is more demand than available seats.

Where a student lives will play a more prominent role. The new system will look at where a child lives and which schools the family selected and then use a set of preferences, including a new Census Tract Integration Preference (**CTIP**). The **CTIP** will result in some advantage for those children living in neighborhoods with the lowest school test scores. The work to implement the new student assignment policy has begun, and it includes developing elementary school boundaries and creating elementary to middle school feeder patterns that will promote established groups moving together through the system.

To learn more, visit [sfusd.edu](http://sfusd.edu) and select ENROLLMENT from the left hand menu. In the pale yellow box you can click on STUDENT ASSIGNMENT REDESIGN for more comprehensive information.

## HOW DOES THIS AFFECT REAL ESTATE IN SAN FRANCISCO?

It appears that this will have some impact on neighborhood prices as parents with young children select the location of their homes based on areas with good public school scores. Take a look at the results below and my picks for the "10 BEST" elementary schools in San Francisco.

### The "10 BEST" SCHOOLS IN SAN FRANCISCO

(Results based on S.T.A.R. test scores from the 2008-2009 school year)



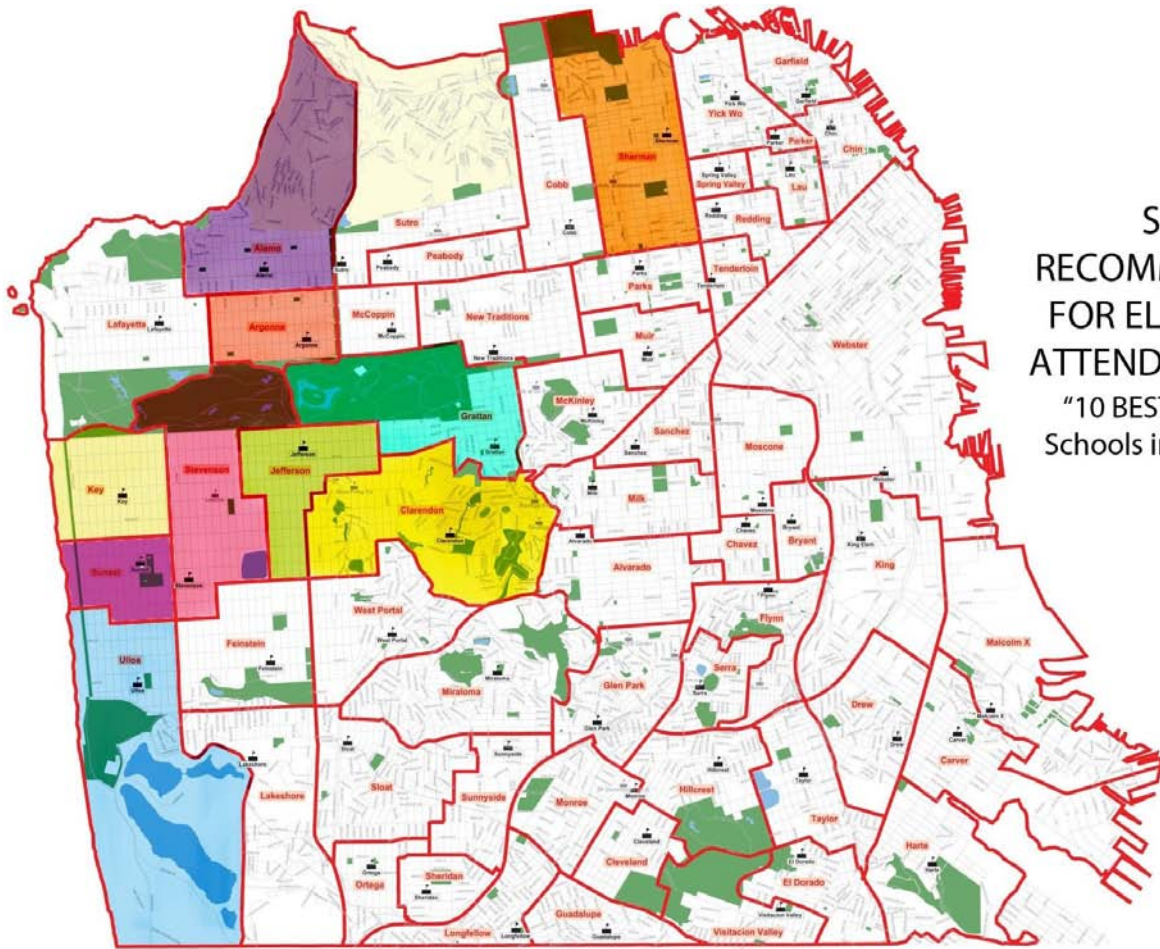
1. Clarendon Elementary
2. Robert Louis Stevenson Elementary
3. Alamo Elementary
4. Ulloa Elementary
5. Jefferson Elementary
6. Sherman Elementary
7. Argonne Year Round Elementary
8. Grattan Elementary
9. Francis Scott Key Elementary
10. Sunset Elementary



## HERE'S TO SAN FRANCISCO BECOMING A KID-FRIENDLY CITY!

\*\*\*Over to see map of SFUSD Recommendation  
for Elementary Attendance Areas\*\*\*

SFUSD  
 RECOMMENDATION  
 FOR ELEMENTARY  
 ATTENDANCE AREAS  
 "10 BEST" Elementary  
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MAP KEY

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