

## Letter of Intent

This Letter of Intent will provide formal notice to LAUSD regarding an applicant's intention to submit a proposal for the 2010-2011 school year. The information presented therein is non-binding; specific details provided below may be finalized in the proposal submission.

Applicants must submit this Letter of Intent and the following data where applicable: CST, API, AYP, EL reclassification, CAHSEE, SAT and AP no later than 5 p.m. on November 15, 2009. If you should have any questions about any of the requirements listed in this Letter of Intent, please contact LAUSD at (213) 241-7000. Letters of Intent must be submitted via [superintendent@lausd.net](mailto:superintendent@lausd.net)

Organization Information	
Name of applicant (for profit entities may not apply)	Synesi Foundation
Address	1215 Washington Avenue
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Website (if applicable)	www.SynesiFoundation.org
Main contact name and phone number	Gary Solomon, 800.434.6970
Basic Proposed School Information and Description	
Proposed neighborhood school/site name (must agree to serve all students in that community)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• BURBANK</li> <li>• CARVER</li> <li>• GARDENA</li> <li>• GARFIELD</li> <li>• GRIFFITH JOYNER</li> <li>• HILLCREST</li> <li>• HYDE PARK</li> <li>• JEFFERSON</li> <li>• LINCOLN</li> <li>• MAYWOOD</li> <li>• SAN FERNANDO</li> <li>• SAN PEDRO</li>   <li>• GRATTS PC</li> <li>• VALLEY REGION ES #6</li> <li>• VALLEY REGION ES #7</li> </ul>

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<p>Brief description of community engagement activities planned or completed</p>	<p>Synesi Foundation’s Office of Partnerships, Communications and Community Engagement will promote ongoing community engagement activities in the schools and communities we are selected to work in. The communities we work in are always encouraged to become increasingly more involved and committed to the shared responsibility of improving our schools.</p> <p>We will work with all school-based, community-based, city-based, faith-based and other organizations to ensure full engagement of the community. We also utilize technology and phone hotlines to ensure that all members of the community are engaged in the school.</p>
<p>Brief description of proposed vision, mission, education plan, and partnerships</p>	<p>The Synesi Foundation, a nonprofit corporation, was established in 2009 to address the academic needs of underserved students, and underperforming schools and school districts around the country. The Foundation is based in suburban Chicago.</p> <p>Through a nationwide network of programs, The Synesi</p>

Foundation helps low-income students and students from underperforming NCLB sub-groups. The Foundation does not provide grant funding; it creates, designs, implements, and monitors a variety of school management, academic intervention, and intensive, professional development programs in an attempt to increase overall school and student performance.

The Foundation focuses its district and school activities on improving teaching and learning, using data to inform all district, school and classroom level decisions, and most importantly, working to ensure fidelity of the academic and operational reforms put in place at the district and school levels.

In 2009, the Foundation's programs include\*:

Operating and Managing Schools:

The Synesi Foundation has the experience and capacity to operate schools in varied capacities according to the specific need as identified by the School, District, and/or State Agency. Below please find relevant examples:

- Charter Schools
- EMO Schools
- Contract Schools
- Start Up Schools
- Professional Development Programs:

The Synesi Foundation is committed to the growth and empowerment of public educators around the country. To this end, the Foundation may provide a series of professional development programs including, but not limited to:

- Principal Incubator Program
- Alternative Teacher Certification Program

\*Additional Services may be provided upon request and evaluation by the Foundation.