

## FACT SHEET

### What is New Pacific School?

New Pacific School is a new charter school proposed for Roseville in 2022. The school will open with grades Transitional Kindergarten ("TK") through 5 with 90 students and will grow to serve middle school and high school over the next 5 years to a small school of approximately 400 students. Classes will be taught in-person by credentialed teachers, with local oversight provided by Roseville Joint Union High School District.

### Why does Roseville need another school choice for families?

New Pacific School – Roseville offers a solution to families with students who are not thriving in traditional, large school settings. Too many young people are disconnected from school – a problem that has gotten worse with the COVID-19 school closures. The result is lower student achievement and higher rates of absenteeism, which can lead to lower graduation rates and college and career attainment. We believe that all kids can learn, but some kids need a different approach to be successful.

### How is New Pacific School different from other schools?

The New Pacific School was designed using the latest research in student learning and is dedicated to moving students in mindset and outcome to the college and career of their choice. Our approach excites and engages students as they learn through hands-on learning and real-world applications. We provide foreign language and art in all grades. We use multiple project-based learning and leadership frameworks, including Project Lead the Way and Leader in Me (Franklin Covey) to develop inquiry, self-direction, goal setting, and resilience. All students access college and career pathways through mentoring that helps them go from wherever they are to become competitive with their peers and educated 21st-century individuals. No other public school in Roseville offers this combined complete approach in a small school setting, continually from TK to 12.

### Who is behind New Pacific School?

In partnership with parents, New Pacific School was developed by caring and experienced educators at Pacific Charter Institute (PCI). Established in 2005, PCI is a 501(c)(3) non-profit public benefit corporation based in Sacramento that currently partners with four school districts in Northern California serving over 3,000 students in grades K-12. PCI graduates have pursued higher education at the University of California, West Point, and various other top institutions. Additionally, students at PCI have successfully competed in Project Lead the Way competitions, Poetry Out Loud, and other local and national competitions. PCI is a large, stable organization with over 300 employees and an operating budget of over \$33 million, including \$9 million in reserves.

### How do we know New Pacific School will be successful?

New Pacific School – Roseville is led by a team of exceptional educators with experience in starting and sustaining high-quality schools. Founding Principal, Suzanne Marzaek, holds a master's degree in educational business administration with an emphasis in entrepreneurial education. Mrs. Marzaek has been an administrator in Natomas Unified and Dry Creek Elementary and was part of the team that started the Alliance Academy of Jordan in 2014. Lead petitioner, Dr. Paul Keefer MBA Ed.D, has been the Executive Director of PCI since 2004. In addition to numerous community leadership roles, Dr. Keefer currently serves as a trustee for the Sacramento County Board of Education. The PCI governing board members represent community colleges, real estate, STEM, finance, and nonprofit leadership. In addition to an exemplary Board of Directors, PCI also has an exceptional leadership team with over 80 years of combined experience.

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