

Stronger Together Santa Rosa

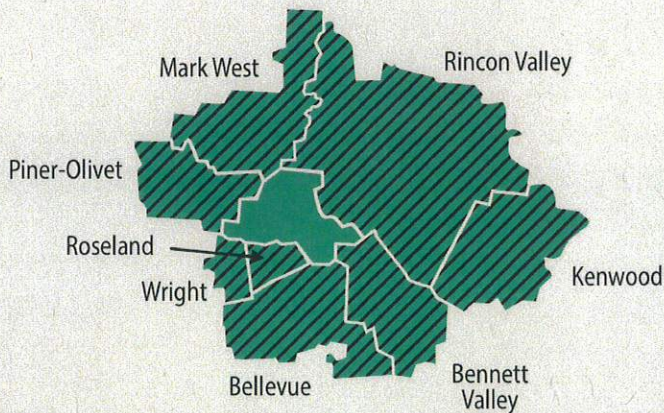
Our City's schools are currently in financial crisis because of long term declining enrollment. Declining enrollment is due to myriad factors that districts have no control over. California projects a 20% decline in the student age population over the next decade

County Enrollment Trends

2010: 73,000 students

2025: 60,000 students

Projected 2040: Less than 50,000 students



In 2021, Santa Rosa City Schools commissioned a consolidation report. The consultant's extensive report, with over 2,000 hours of research, proposed three different possibilities. SRCS choose the scenario that would lead to a reduction of funding by a total of 21.3 million dollars.

The high number of school districts in Santa Rosa comes at greater administrative cost. Santa Rosa spends 9 million more a year on administration than districts that are similarly sized to our 9 districts. More administrators do not provide a better student outcome.

**Possible Financial Benefit of District Consolidation:
Over 29 million per year.**

The SRCS Consolidation report included a proposal that would lead to a total of \$29 million dollars in additional funding and cost savings from cutting redundant administration. This was ignored. Consolidating districts will help our communities deal with declining enrollment while improving student outcomes. An outline of the proposal that we think would work best can be found on our website.



If you want to learn more about what can be done to save our schools, join our contact list by filling out the form to the left or emailing Ethan Cosgrove at strongertogethersr@gmail.com