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State Schools Chief Tom Torlakson Announces Release of CA Schools Mobile App

SACRAMENTO—State Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Torlakson today announced the release of the California Department of Education’s (CDE) first mobile application that offers detailed information about California’s 10,000 public schools.

The CA Schools mobile app, developed in-house by the CDE and available for iOS and Android systems, lets users locate nearby schools based on their current location and provides a wealth of details, including contacts and directions, demographics, test scores, and a school’s California School Dashboard profile page.

“Never before have we put so much school information literally in the hands of our students, parents, and community members and made the information so accessible and user-friendly,” Torlakson said. “Home buyers can check out schools in their prospective neighborhoods. Parents heading to a child’s away game can map directions to the host school. There are all kinds of potential uses.”

The CA Schools Mobile App draws upon the same data as the CDE’s [California School Directory](#) and links to additional content on the CDE’s Web site such as a school’s California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP) test results. In addition to location-based searches, users can find schools by city, county, school district, and ZIP code. Users can search specifically for charter schools and even private schools.

The CA Schools mobile app is available for free download through Apple’s [App Store](#) or [Google Play](#). More information is available at CDE’s [CA Schools Mobile Application support page](#).