NOTICE OF INTENT
to Adopt an Initial Study/Negative Declaration

DATE: September 5, 2017
TO: Agencies, Organizations, Property Owners, and Interested Parties
SUBJECT: Notice of Intent to Adopt an Initial Study/Negative Declaration

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD or District), as Lead Agency for the Project, has prepared a Draft Initial Study and Negative Declaration (IS/ND) for the Cleveland Charter High School Comprehensive Modernization Project, pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (Public Resources Code [PRC], Division 13, Section 21000 et seq. [CEQA Statute] and the California Code of Regulations [CCR], Title 14, Division 6, Chapter 3, Section 15000 et seq. [CEQA Guidelines]). An IS/ND is a detailed informational document that analyzes a proposed project’s potentially significant environmental impacts, as well as identifying ways to minimize and mitigate such effects. The purpose of this notice is to solicit comments regarding the content of the Draft IS/ND.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION: The Project is located on a portion of LAUSD’s Cleveland Charter High School, located at 8140 Vanalden Avenue, Reseda, California. The proposed Project includes the removal of nine permanent and 28 portable buildings, replacing deteriorated utility lines, and relocating existing storage units and hardscape. New facilities include approximately 55 classrooms and support spaces, a multi-purpose room, food services, and a new maintenance and operation area. The proposed Project also includes some minor reconfigurations and improvements to two classroom buildings, seismic strengthening of the physical education building, and various site infrastructure and accessibility improvements. Student capacity at Cleveland Charter High School will not increase due to this project. This comprehensive modernization project will allow the specialized programs offered at Cleveland HS to better integrate with other complementary programs.

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY: Copies of the IS/ND can be found at the following locations:

Cleveland Charter High School
8140 Vanalden Avenue
Reseda, CA 91335
Phone: (818) 885-2300

LAUSD Office of Environmental Health and Safety
333 South Beaudry Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90017
Phone: (213) 241-3417 (by appointment)

PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD: The public review period for the IS/ND begins on September 8, 2017 and ends on October 8, 2017. Written comments may be sent by e-mail to CEQA-comments@lausd.net or submitted to:

LAUSD Office of Environmental Health and Safety
Attn: Ms. Linda Wilde, CEQA Project Manager
333 S. Beaudry Avenue, 21st Floor
Los Angeles, CA 90017

All comments must be received by 5:00 pm on October 8, 2017.

Additional information concerning the proposed Project, including the date and time of the Board of Education meeting where this IS/ND will be considered, will be posted on the District’s OEHS website: http://achieve.lausd.net/ceqa as available.