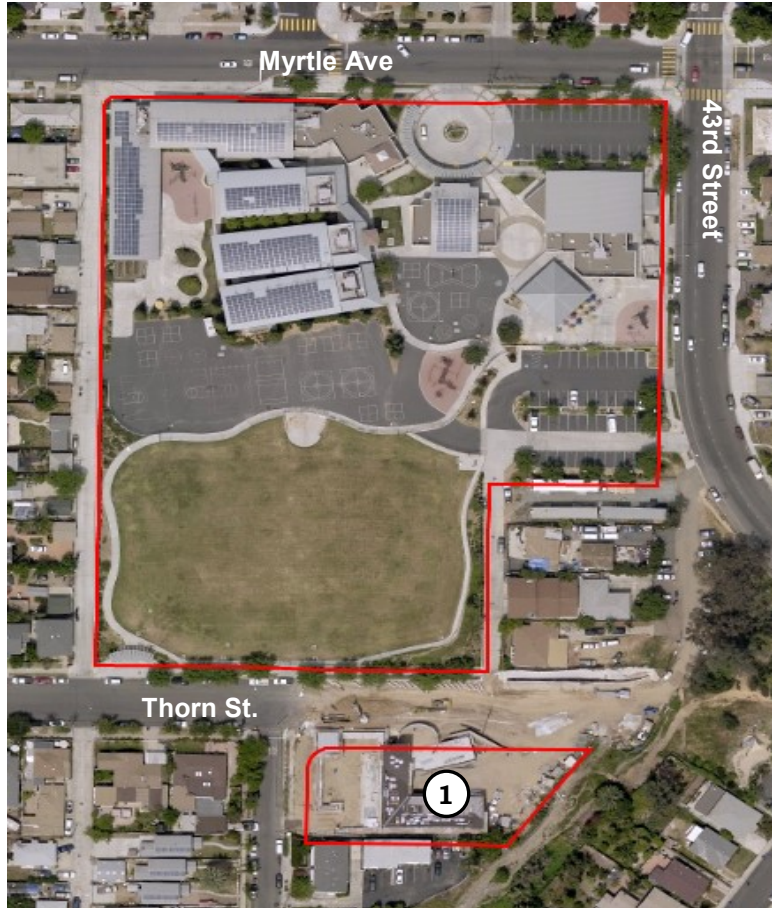




Joyner Elementary School

4721 Myrtle Ave.

San Diego, CA 92105



Sub-district: D

Cluster: Hoover

Year School Opened: 2007

Grades: K-5



① Ocean Discovery Living Lab

Situated in the community of City Heights, Joyner Elementary School was built in 2007 with Proposition MM funding. This 21st century state-of-the-art facility is a Micro Society Magnet School that features classrooms with the latest technology. The student-citizens engage in the schools Micro Society by creating a real world just like the adults within the school, they each have a role and responsibility within this “society”. Joyner Elementary’s average enrollment is approximately 720 students.

The schools 56,000 square feet of facilities consist of seven buildings with 32 classrooms, library and media center, and a multi-purpose room. Other features of the school include a joint use field and a sheltered lunch court. The adjacent lot is the new home of the Ocean Discovery Institute that opened in 2018.

Ocean Discovery Institute “The Living Lab”





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Completed: November 2018
Funding: Proposition Z

San Diego Unified School District and Ocean Discovery Institute entered into a Joint Venture agreement to construct and run the Ocean Discovery Living Lab facility that will be used to provide educational programs in outdoor science and environmental conservation. The Living Lab Facility shall provide significant science and other educational opportunities to more than 10,000 youth per year who attend the fourteen District public schools in the City Heights area just South of Joyner ES.

The Living Lab facility is approximately 12,000 square foot two story building that includes two laboratories and administrative space. It has approximately 35,000 square feet of outdoor features that will include nature play elements and a natural trail.



Main courtyard entrance



Exterior Terrace (second floor)

Ocean Discovery Institute “The Living Lab”

The Living Lab will be more than just a building. It will be a place where students and teachers explore the fields of science during and after school. It will be a place where youth define their college and career aspirations, where families engage in science and conservation activities relevant to their daily lives, where scientists from the National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration, Scripps Institution of Oceanography, and other partners conduct research alongside students, that transforms an entire community through science and conservation.



Lobby view



Main entrance large windows opened



Entrance water wise landscaping



Example of lab classrooms

Ocean Discovery Institute “The Living Lab”



View of outdoor lab



View of outdoor lab



Water wise landscaping



View of retention pond