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October 6, 2006

Glenn Pavlovic, Foreman  
Mendocino County Grand Jury  
P.O. Box 629  
Ukiah, CA 95482

Dear Glenn,

Thank you for meeting with me on September 28<sup>th</sup> to review the Grand Jury Report from last spring.

I have attached the response pages to the Grand Jury Reports and if you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 707-467-5001.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Paul A. Tichinin'. The signature is written in a cursive style and is enclosed within a large, hand-drawn oval.

Paul A. Tichinin  
Superintendent

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## Response to Grand Jury Reports

County Schools are alive and well  
Three rural districts in Mendocino County  
Report Title: (email from Grand Jury Foreman Benj Thomas dated May 8, 2006)  
(please fill in all information relating to this report)  
Report Date: February 21, 2006

Response by: Paul A. Tichinin Title: County Superintendent of Schools

### FINDINGS

I (we) agree with findings numbered:

Common 1-3, 5-18 School 1-28

I (we) disagree wholly or partially with the findings numbered:

Common 4 Declining Enrollment Chart Attached

(Attach a statement specifying any portions of the findings that are disputed; include an explanation of the reasons therefore.)

### RECOMMENDATIONS

Recommendations numbered 1,3,5  
have been implemented. (Attach a summary describing the implemented actions)

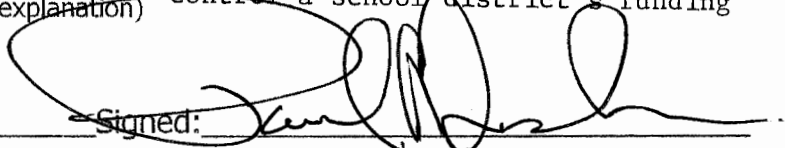
Recommendations numbered 5 The Library & HS Performing Center is currently  
have not yet been implemented, but will be implemented in the future. being remodeled  
(attach a time frame for the implementation)

Recommendations numbered 4 District has a planning process for facilities  
require further analysis.

(Attach an explanation and the scope and parameters of an analysis or study, and a time frame for the matter to be prepared for discussion by the officer or director of the agency or department being investigated or reviewed, including the governing body of the public agency when applicable. This timeframe shall not exceed six months from the date of publication of the grand jury report.)

Recommendations numbered 2 Funding is controlled by the State Legislature  
will not be implemented because they are not warranted or are not MCOE doesn't  
reasonable. (Attach an explanation) control a school district's funding

Date: 9/28/06

Signed: 

Number of pages attached: 1

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## Enrollment by District for Mendocino County Last 6 Years Decline

	99/00	00/01	01/02	02/03	03/04	04/05	05/06	Diff. 05/06- 99/00	Charter 05/06	Diff. 05/06- 99/00	% Diff. 05/06- 99/00	04/05- 05/06	Current % Decrease/ Increase
Arena Elem	346	360	341	330	316	315	298	(48)	89	(137)	-39.60%	(17)	-5.38%
Manchester	65	67	71	77	69	73	70	5		5	7.69%	(3)	-4.35%
Point Arena	232	226	216	200	205	184	172	(60)		(60)	-25.86%	(12)	-5.85%
Anderson Vly	607	576	592	599	602	586	607	0		0	0.00%	21	3.49%
Fort Bragg	2,319	2,246	2,163	2,084	2,075	1,975	1,951	(368)		(368)	-15.87%	(24)	-1.16%
Mendocino	896	864	865	795	722	695	662	(234)		(234)	-26.12%	(33)	-4.57%
Round Vly	471	440	448	443	454	448	447	(24)	51	(75)	-15.92%	(1)	-0.22%
Laytonville	521	516	536	513	486	485	462	(59)		(59)	-11.32%	(23)	-4.73%
Leggett	194	161	153	162	186	189	173	(21)		(21)	-10.82%	(16)	-8.60%
Willits	2,539	2,452	2,360	2,346	2,240	2,194	2,149	(390)	94	(484)	-19.06%	(45)	-2.01%
Potter Vly	350	339	300	301	282	295	305	(45)		(45)	-12.86%	10	3.55%
Ukiah	6,923	6,916	6,946	6,855	6,828	6,737	6,545	(378)	427	(805)	-11.63%	(192)	-2.81%
MCOE	196	195	181	203	228	231	227	31		31	15.82%	(4)	-1.75%
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>15,659</b>	<b>15,358</b>	<b>15,172</b>	<b>14,908</b>	<b>14,693</b>	<b>14,407</b>	<b>14,068</b>	<b>(1,591)</b>	<b>661</b>	<b>(2,252)</b>	<b>-14.38%</b>	<b>(339)</b>	<b>-2.31%</b>
% Change		-1.92%	-1.21%	-1.74%	-1.44%	-1.95%	-2.35%						
Cumulative % change since 99/00:			-3.11%	-4.80%	-6.17%	-8.00%	-10.16%						
Cumulative % change since 99/00 w/Charters: -14.38%													
State Total:	5,951,612	6,050,895	6,147,375	6,244,403	6,298,774	6,342,865							
% Change		1.7%	1.6%	1.6%	0.9%	0.7%							
Cumulative % change since 99/00:						6.57%							