

IN TRANSITION



A newsletter providing update information from the District's Transition Logistics Committee



Transitions

Students First / Core Values



Educational Services

Curriculum / Materials / Supplies



Human Resources

Staffing



Business Services

Facilities / Pack / Move

Priorities in Transition

This past year our School Board undertook one of the most demanding processes that a District can face...the reduction of schools. In addition, the Board adjusted school boundaries in order to reduce cross district transportation and realign schools so that they are conducive to neighborhood centric areas. After many months of meetings, community input forums, and tough discussions, the difficult decision was made to close Glider and Miner Elementary Schools. Now begins the next phase of this transition.

The District Transition Plan involves three key points. Each school site is to develop a site Climate and Culture Committee, made up of staff, parents and students, that will focus on inclusionary activities for incoming students and staff. Underlying this site effort are the works of the Transition Committee and the Logistics Committee. The Transition Committee meets bi-weekly and is tasked with being a resource to site Climate and Culture Committees. The Logistics Committee meets weekly for the purpose of developing timelines and procedures to assure smooth transition for staff and students into their new facilities.

The focus of this newsletter will be to provide our staff and community with updated information regarding the process and timelines related to our transition. There are many moving parts and a variety of staff involved in the efforts around the transition. The Logistics and Transition Committees are made up of district stakeholders who provide important voice and perspective to the massive task of transition that is ahead of us. Hopefully this newsletter will keep you updated as we move through the journey of transition.



This Week's Meeting: Topics Discussed

- **Bell Schedules:** Start/End times of schools should be communicated to parents who are transitioning to a new school so they can plan for the coming school year.
- **Transportation:** Fee based transportation is an interest.
- **Computers/Technology:** Our IT department will be taking care of the processing of all District technology.
- **Open House:** Glider/Miner Open House Night event will be on an alternative day than other sites to allow their parents and students to visit other schools during their Open Houses.
- **BASE (Before and After School Care):** BASE may be opening up five additional sites. New programs may be located at Sakamoto, Oak Ridge, Stipe, and Ledesma with additional programs being open at Taylor and Santa Teresa. The District will also be opening a preschool at Stipe School.
- **Recycle/Obsolete/Room Preparation:** Schools are to begin work on clearing out surplus rooms. Additional trash service will be launched as spring cleaning takes place.
- **School Libraries:** School Libraries will be closed on April 30th to allow staff time to process materials and prepare closed site's books for distribution throughout the District.