

December 4, 2019
Committee Discussions

Grade Alignment

What are the benefits and challenges of our current grade alignment?

Pre-K – 1 | 2-4 | 5-6 | 7-8 | 9-12

Benefits:

- Smaller campus size
- Developmental ages
- Every student “together” Pre-K – 12
- Collaboration between all grade level teachers at one campus
- Allows for diversity
- Allows for growth

Challenges:

- Multiple children at multiple campuses
- Too many transitions for students/families
- Consistency with admin/teachers
- Student transition to new campus
- Bus transportation
- Parents dropping off students at multiple campuses
- Harder for teachers to vertically align curriculum and instruction
- Family involvement (moving campuses every two years)

What ideas do you have for potential solutions to the challenges?

Potential Solutions:

- Multiple campuses or larger campus for Pre-K – 5
- Stagger campus start and dismissal times
- Middle School – Grades 6, 7 and 8
- Vertical alignment meetings
- Mentoring program

Aging Facilities

What concerns do you have about our existing facilities?

Concerns:

- Safety and Security
- Maintenance costs
- Asbestos/Hazardous materials
- ADA compliance
- Wiring/plumbing/drainage
- Not efficient for current teaching methods
- Cafeteria space too small causing split lunches
- Aging facilities affects teacher & staff recruitment
- Lack of “Pride” in school facilities
- Energy efficiency
- Lack of room for expansion of programs
- Auditorium not large enough for large events (graduation)

District Projects

Each group created a list of projects they would like for the committee to discuss at future meetings. After completion, each person walked around the room to view all the projects generated by each group. Each person received three dot stickers to place by project discussions they feel are a priority. The value of each dot was:

- Pink – 3
- Orange – 2
- Green – 1

1. New Junior High at current site of at High School site – 38
2. Relocation of Edison and Junior High – 25
3. Fine Arts Center – 24
4. New Junior High Facility – 17
5. Career Tech Building/Programs – 16
6. Five to Ten Year Facility Plan – 15
7. Renovate Edison – 15
8. Safety Entryways – 13
9. Edison – 11
10. Ag Facility – 7
11. Bring Music Program back to Elementary – 6
12. Auditorium – 5
13. Technology in Classrooms – 2
14. Campus Grade Re-alignment vs. Neighborhood Schools – 1
15. Focus on a Facility that is catered as well to Fine Arts, UIL, etc. – 1
16. Expansion of Fine Arts Department – 0
17. ADA Compliance – 0
18. Technology Resources to secure buildings – 0
19. Campus Renovations vs. Rebuild – 0
20. Expansion of Vocational Programs – 0
21. Traffic flow and parking – 0
22. Technology - 0