# Next Steps Committee 

Meeting \#3
October 12, 2022

## Tonight's Agenda

6:00 Socialize and Refreshments
6:10 Begin Meeting
New School Year Data

- Review Student Enrollment Data
- Review of Existing Building Capacity
- Quick Recap of Committee Expectations and Prior Committee Work
- Operational Updates: Transportation, School Day, Committee Wonderings
- Academic Plan Updates
- What's next for Next Steps?


## Committee Members

The Next Steps committee is comprised of 34 members; made up of 3 Board members, the Superintendent and the remaining 30 members will be $50 \%$ parents and $50 \%$ district staff.

## School Board

- $\quad$ Steve Stopke, Member
- Brad Westerfeld, Treasurer
- Eric Williams, Member


## Superintendent

- Dr. Wade Steinhoff

> Thank you!!!

## District Staff

- Dr. Keith Klostermann, Asst. Superintendent
- Dr. Melissa Daniel, Director of Student Services
- Duane Stuermann, Director of Operations


## Orchard Farm Elementary

- Dr. Jerry Oetting, Principal
- Kristine Dunkmann, Counselor
- Katie Land, Teacher (5th)
- Autumn Olendorf, Teacher (1st)


## Discovery Elementary

- Dr. Luke Dix, Principal
- Melissa Greer, Teacher (4th)
- Matt King, Librarian
- Donna Massman, Teacher (1st)


## Orchard Middle School

- Dr. Michelle Geringer, Principal
- Jodi Boschert, Teacher (6th)
- Jacquelyn Bruno, Teacher (6th)
- Camille Frost, Teacher (Electives)


## Parents

- Desiree Bagot
- Julie Benanti
- Michael Boyd
- Jenna Boyer
- James Cook
- Marisa Farrar
- Jan Herter
- Karon Lamar
- Jonathon Lee
- Myshell Lester
- Joanne Menke
- Melissa Pingel
- Jeremy Reidelberger
- Dan Rosenberg
- Chuck Rowles
- Andy Schomaker


## Focus \& Charge of Next Steps Committee

## Focus:

Construction of the New Orchard Farm High School is underway. The Next Steps Committee will focus on K-8 District facility planning.

## Charge of the Committee:

$\rightarrow$ Review enrollment trends and projections
$\rightarrow$ Develop recommendations to accommodate future increases in student enrollment
$\rightarrow$ Review status of current school configurations and make recommendations on most effective future use
$\rightarrow$ Develop recommendations regarding future facility needs
$\rightarrow$ Formal and final plan approval will be the responsibility of the Board of Education

## Establishing Ground Rules

- We will start on time and end on time
- We will adhere to an agenda
- We will agree or disagree with ideas, not an individual
- All meetings will remain positive and productive
- We will reach a decision by consensus


## Committee Member Expectations

## Time Commitment:

- 3-5 evening meetings, each approximately 2-3 hours
- From February 2022 thru January 2023


## Roles/Responsibilities:

- Make every effort to be present at each meeting.
- Arrive on time and have an open mind.
- Be supportive of the recommendations that the group makes.


## Next Steps Committee Feedback--Goals and Priorities

$\rightarrow$ Maintain a student-centered focus
$\rightarrow$ Maintain a strong sense of community as we continue to grow
$\rightarrow$ Always have an eye on the future
$\rightarrow$ Prioritize providing opportunities for kids
$\rightarrow$ Recognize that a strong and supportive school community is a key factor in the district's success
$\rightarrow$ Recognize and value traditions that have led the district to being well-respected and created a sense of pride for alumni
$\rightarrow$ Prioritize a positive school environment, developed by dedicated and caring staff members
$\rightarrow$ Value stakeholder collaboration

## Enrollment Update

## Recent Enrollment History (10 years)

|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Oct. } 1 \\ 2012 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Oct. } 1 \\ 2013 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | Oct. 1 <br> 2014 | Oct. 1 2015 | $\begin{gathered} \text { Oct. } 1 \\ 2016 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | Oct. 1 <br> 2017 | $\begin{gathered} \text { Oct. } 1 \\ 2018 \end{gathered}$ | Oct. 1 <br> 2019 | $\begin{gathered} \text { Oct. } 1 \\ \underline{2020} \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Oct. } 1 \\ 2021 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Sept. } 15 \\ 2022 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| K | 123 | 162 | 158 | 137 | 151 | 138 | 149 | 160 | 180 | 171 | 172 |
| 1 | 116 | 131 | 167 | 159 | 140 | 164 | 139 | 150 | 167 | 186 | 183 |
| 2 | 117 | 126 | 133 | 168 | 165 | 142 | 169 | 144 | 151 | 183 | 183 |
| 3 | 130 | 127 | 123 | 138 | 168 | 159 | 145 | 168 | 137 | 156 | 176 |
| 4 | 113 | 138 | 132 | 130 | 132 | 165 | 168 | 151 | 162 | 151 | 166 |
| 5 | 120 | 116 | 142 | 134 | 147 | 138 | 164 | 173 | 155 | 164 | 164 |
| K-5 | 719 | 800 | 855 | 866 | 903 | 906 | 934 | 946 | 952 | 1011 | 1044 |
|  | (-46) | (+81) | (+55) | (+11) | (+37) | (+3) | (+28) | (+12) | (+6) | (+59) | (+33) |
| 6 | 134 | 128 | 121 | 144 | 140 | 147 | 146 | 162 | 166 | 167 | 149 |
| 7 | 106 | 144 | 132 | 129 | 144 | 133 | 154 | 151 | 168 | 181 | 168 |
| 8 | 133 | 99 | 145 | 137 | 132 | 147 | 125 | 153 | 146 | 172 | 186 |
| 6-8 | $\begin{gathered} 373 \\ (+39) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 371 \\ & (-2) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 398 \\ (+27) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 410 \\ (+12) \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 416 \\ & (+6) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 427 \\ (+11) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 425 \\ & (-2) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 466 \\ (+41) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 480 \\ (+14) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 520 \\ (+40) \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline 503 \\ (-17) \end{gathered}$ |
| 9 | 101 | 154 | 110 | 148 | 140 | 134 | 155 | 133 | 141 | 147 | 182 |
| 10 | 119 | 101 | 151 | 113 | 150 | 146 | 124 | 159 | 144 | 167 | 149 |
| 11 | 99 | 113 | 102 | 145 | 114 | 150 | 137 | 117 | 149 | 140 | 155 |
| 12 | 110 | 88 | 108 | 99 | 149 | 126 | 150 | 146 | 119 | 164 | 151 |
| 9-12 | $\begin{aligned} & 429 \\ & (-8) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 456 \\ (+27) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 471 \\ (+15) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 505 \\ (+34) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 553 \\ (+48) \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 556 \\ & (+3) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 566 \\ (+10) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 555 \\ (-11) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 553 \\ & (-2) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \mathbf{6 1 8} \\ (+65) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 637 \\ (+19) \end{gathered}$ |
|  | $\underline{2012}$ | $\underline{2013}$ | $\underline{2014}$ | $\underline{2015}$ | $\underline{2016}$ | $\underline{2017}$ | $\underline{2018}$ | $\underline{2019}$ | $\underline{2020}$ | 2021 | $\underline{2022}$ |
| K-12 TOTAL | 1,521 | 1,627 | 1,724 | 1,781 | 1,872 | 1,889 | 1,925 | 1,967 | 1,985 | 2,149 | 2,184 |
| DIFF | (-15) | (+106) | (+97) | (+57) | (+91) | (+17) | (+36) | (+42) | (+18) | (+164) | (+35) |
| \% Growth | -1.0\% | 7.0\% | 6.0\% | 3.3\% | 5.1\% | 0.9\% | 1.9\% | 2.2\% | 0.9\% | 8.3\% | 1.6\% |
|  | 2012 | $\underline{2013}$ | 2014 | $\underline{2015}$ | $\underline{2016}$ | $\underline{2017}$ | $\underline{2018}$ | $\underline{2019}$ | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 |
| Preschool | 38 | 39 | 40 | 40 | 135 | 160 | 170 | 196 | 139 | 202 | 227 |
| PK-12 TOTAL | 1,559 | 1,666 | 1,764 | 1,821 | 2,007 | 2,049 | 2,095 | 2,163 | 2,124 | 2,351 | 2,411 |
| DIFF |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | (+227) | (+60) |
| \% Growth |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 10.7\% | 2.6\% |

## (K-12) Building Enrollment

|  | Enrollment | Prior Year <br> $+/-$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| DES | 421 | -34 |
| OFE | 623 | +67 |
| MS | 503 | -17 |
| HS | 637 | +19 |
| TOTAL | 2,184 | +35 |

## (K-12) Current Enrollment by Grade Level

## Current (2022-23) Grade Level Class Size



## (K-12) Demographic Study



## Building Capacity - Spaces

## Continues to be more competition in schools for space today than ever before:

- Innovation Classrooms
- Gifted Education
- English Language Learners (ELL)
- Increased Counselor, Social Worker, and related support services
- Increased Special Education Services
- OT/PT therapy rooms
- High Behavior Needs (TEAMS)
- Speech Language rooms


## Building Capacity - Immediate Future (prior to New HS Opening)

## Early Learning Center

- We have one additional room for growth. However, we plan to occupy that room this school year, adding ECSE room second semester.


## Orchard Farm Elementary

- If additional classroom space is needed in 2023-24, support services areas may need to be relocated to open classroom spaces


## Discovery Elementary

- Likely some support services areas will need to be relocated to open classroom spaces in 2023-24
- *Possible that Discovery may add 2 classroom sections in 2023-24 as they 'graduate' 2 sections of 5 th grade and bring in up to 4 sections of Kindergarten


## Middle and High School

- If necessary, spaces will be utilized during "off" hours in 2023-24


## Looking Forward

- New High School Construction Continues.
- Space will be tight until completion of the new High School in early 2024. This opens up space throughout the district beginning with the 2024-25 school year.
- There will be future building needs across the district. Notably a 3rd Elementary School and a potential addition to the Early Learning Center.
- Additional Staffing as enrollment dictates in 2023-24.
- Middle School (5-6) \& Junior High (7-8) Staffing model under development for the 2024-25 school year.
- The 'Next Steps' Committee continues its work, including a professional demographic study.


## Common Question

## When will we need more space again?

We will engage the services of a demographer to assist in our preparation to best meet the needs of future enrollment.

- As you'll recall, based on our work in Next Steps Committee, we are well positioned for 5-12. A 3rd elementary school is the lone focus for K-12.
- Key dates.
- Things to begin 2-3 years before we are out of classroom space...
- Design/Build
- Pass No-Tax Increase Bond Issue


## Where we (Next Steps) left off...

Meeting \# 2 Highlights...
1.) We figured out what grades would go to each school building.
2.) We gave guidance/direction (a spark) to administration and staff as they began their work.

## Next Steps Committee Feedback from Mtg \#2

## Administration \& Staff \& Teacher Leadership Work Together

Share Out \& Additional Feedback from Next Steps Committee Mtg \#3

## Next Steps Meeting \#2 - Questions, Wonderings, Feedback

Transportation...Drop Off, Pick Up<br>School Start/End times<br>Staffing<br>School Schedule...Class Offerings<br>Traditions<br>Financial<br>Other

## Let's Get Down to it...

What can we make decisions about now, and what is best to wait?

## Building Names

- Discovery Elementary (K-4)
- Orchard Farm Elementary (K-4)
- Orchard Farm Middle School (5-6)
- Orchard Farm Junior High School (7-8)
- Orchard Farm High School (9-12)


## School Day

Secondary 7:45-2:32 *potential for this to move up earlier pending further bus route development.

- MS, JH, HS


## Elementary 8:55-3:42

- DES, OFEL


## Many current 'traditions' continue

We will continue...

- Kindergarten Celebration
- Government Field Trip (3rd grade)
- START/DARE Graduation (5th grade)
- 5th Grade Camp
- 8th Grade Promotion
- High School Graduation


## Office Staffing

| Current Office Staffing |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Administrator | Counselor | Admin Assistants |
| DES | (2) <br> Principal <br> Asst Principal | (1.5) <br> Full Counselor <br> Shared Counselor | $(2)$ |
| OFE | (2) <br> Principal <br> Asst Principal | (1.5) <br> Full Counselor <br> Shared Counselor | $(2)$ |
| MS | (2) <br> Principal <br> Asst Principal | (1.5) <br> Full Counselor <br> Shared Counselor | $(3)$ |
| HS | (2) <br> Principal <br> Asst Principal | (2.5) <br> Two Full Counselors <br> Shared Counselor | $(3)$ |
|  |  | (1) District Social Worker |  |
| TOTAL | (8) Total | (8) Total | $(10)$ |


| 2024-25 Office Staffing |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Administrator | Counselor | Admin Assistants |
| DES | (2) <br> Principal <br> Asst Principal | (1.5) <br> Full Counselor <br> Shared Counselor | (2) |
| OFE | (2) <br> Principal <br> Asst Principal | (1.5) <br> FFll Counselor <br> Shared Counselor | (2) |
| MS | (1) Principal | (1) Full Counselor | (2) |
| JH | (1) Principal | (1) Full Counselor | (2) |
| HS | (2) <br> Principal <br> Asst Principal | (3) Full Counselors | (3) |
| TOTAL | (8) Total | (9) Total (+1) District Social Worker | (11) Total (+1) |

## Financial Considerations

While there will be some one time expenditures for supplies, the fiscal impact really requires a focus on Staffing..... (Salaries/Benefits) account for the largest portion of any school's budget. Goal will be to produce a balanced budget in our related funds (Fund 1 \& 2).
(FY 25) 2024-25 SCHOOL YEAR: STAFFING SUMMARY **ANTICIPATED
Admin $=0$

- Maintain BP \& AP at each elem. Maintain BP \& AP at HS
- $\quad$ The $B P$ \& $A P$ at $M S$ become $B P$ at $M S$ and $B P$ at JH

Admin Assts $=+1$

- Maintain (2) at each elem. Maintain (3) at HS.
- Plus 1 FTE. The (3) at the MS become (2) at MS and (2) at JH

Guidance $=+1$

- Maintain the 1.5 at each elem.
- Plus 1 FTE. The (2.5) at the HS become (3) and the the (1.5) at the MS become (1) at the MS and (1) at the JH

Teachers $=+3-5$

- Plus 1 FTE. An additional PE teacher will be added and will be (0.5) at the MS and (0.5) at the JH
- Plus 1 FTE. The 6th grade will need (2) additional core teachers; serving as (1) Social Studies and (1) Science at the MS. This is only a net gain of 1 FTE. We have an additional FTE at Sth grade that creates a transfer opportunity
- Plus 1 FTE. The (0.5) Band and (0.5) Music at the HS become (1) Band and (1) Music/Performance Arts at the HS
- ??? Plus 1 FTE. A new course added to the HS
- ??? Librarian split between MS \& JH ???

Separate, but related topic. These are not specific to the 2024-25 Plans for K-8
Maintenance $=+1$

- Plus 1 FTE. An maintenance team member added for expanded campus

Custodial $=+4-5$

- Plus 4-5 FTE. The additional school building will require (4-5) additional custodians.


## Decisions that are TBD (Principals)

Decisions to be made at a later date at the building level, by the staff and administration in the building.

- School-wide programming (ie. Leader in Me, PBIS, Zones of Regulation, ISS/SIP)
- Field Trips, Class Parties, Fundraisers
- School Expectations to locker use, passing from class to class, cell phones, etc.
- Clubs and activities to be offered. While MSHSAA sports will remain the same (7th-8th grade), the clubs and activities to be offered will be determined by the building staff.
- DES TV/KidsCast?


## Operational Updates

(Dr. Klostermann and Mr. Stuermann)

## Transportation (Dr. Klostermann)

- We will maintain two levels of transportation
- Secondary Run (5-12)
- Elementary Run (K-4)
- Discovery Zone supports elementary schedule (Beginning in 2024-25, that is K-4)
- New High School will implement a walk zone in the area near the new high school.
- Additional details to be worked out.



## Arrival \& Dismissal (Mr. Stuermann)

## Priorities

- Safety
- Traffic Flow
- Staying on Time (bus schedules)

Morning Arrival
Middle School and Junior High


## Morning Arrival

Elementary School


## Afternoon Dismissal

Middle School and Junior High


## Afternoon Dismissal

Elementary School


## Other Capital Needs

The school buildings are in great shape and meet the needs of the students and staff. At this time there are no major renovations planned.

## Academic Plans

(Dr. Geringer \& Dr. Genenbacher)

## Basic Schedule Structure

## 5th GRADE: (4) 2-Teacher Teams

- Math/Science teacher partnered with an ELA/Social Studies teacher


## 6th GRADE: (2) 4-Teacher Teams

- Math teacher
- Science teacher
- ELA teacher
- Social Studies teacher


## Graduated Progression - Core Content Areas

K - 4th Grade
5th Grade
6th Grade

7th/8th Grade
High School
(1) Classroom Teacher for Math, Science, Social Studies, ELA
(2) Teachers. One for Math/Science and One for Social Studies/ELA
(4) Teachers. One for each of Math, Science, Social Studies, ELA
(5) Teachers on the CORE Team. Math, Science, Social Studies, ELA, PE
(8) Teachers over course of A/B Days Schedule

## EXPLO Course Offerings- 5th/6th

| Innovations |
| :---: |
| Art |
| Music |
| FACS |
| GTT |
|  <br> Intro to Spanish (6th) |
| Library/Counselor |
| Band |
| PE |

## EXPLO Course Offerings- 7th/8th

| Innovations |
| :---: |
| Art |
| Music |
| FACS |
| GTT |
| Spanish 1-A/ 1-B |
| Band |
| Health |

## 5th/6th Grade Schedule

| Sample Student Schedule |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| 5th Grade | 6th Grade |
| Homeroom <br> Core Instruction | EXPLO Class <br> (A/B Day) |
| EXPLO Class <br> (A/B Day) | Math |
| Core Instruction |  |
| Math/Science |  |
| ELA/Social Studies | ELA |
|  | Science |
|  | Social Studies |

## 7th/8th Grade Schedule

| Sample Student Schedule |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| 7th | 8th |
| Core Instruction | Core Instruction |
| Core Instruction | Core Instruction |
| Core Instruction | Core Instruction |
| EXPLO | Core Instruction |
| Core Instruction | EXPLO |

## Staffing Assignments

Meetings were held with Teacher Leadership Group (CTA)

Academic schedule reviewed with 'impacted' teachers.

Staff feedback on schedule. Individual and group meetings were held.

Staff input was incorporated into academic schedule as revisions were made.

Staff preferences were collected to be used as teachers are placed in future assignments.
**Goal to place staff when ready... potentially as early as this Spring.

## Does our work reflect the Priorities identified by the Next Steps Committee?

- Maintain a student-centered focus
- Maintain a strong sense of community as we continue to grow
- Always have an eye on the future
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## Break

## Key Dates

| November 2021 | Next Steps Committee approved by the Board of Education |
| :--- | :--- |
| February 2022 <br> Meeting \# 1 | The Committee will meet to review current enrollment trends and projections, <br> review current and projected capacity at each school building, and set goals <br> for our future planning. |
| April 2022 <br> Meeting \# 2 | The Committee will reconvene to begin future planning discussions. |
| October 2022 <br> Meeting \# 3 | The Committee will review new school year enrollment, continue future <br> planning discussions, and begin developing Committee recommendation. |
| January 2023 | The Next Steps Committee will complete their recommendation. This <br> recommendation will be shared with the Board of Education at the January <br> Board of Education Meeting for consideration. |

## Preparing for a successful transition...

33 months prior......Board of Education approves creation of the Next Steps Committee (November 2021)
30 months prior......Next Steps Meeting \#1 (February 2022)
24 months prior......Schedule review \& Collaboration between staff and administration (August 2022)
24 months prior......Staff Assignment process developed between CTA, staff and administration (August 2022)
22 months prior......Next Steps Meeting \#3 (October 2022)

19 months prior......Recommendations from Next Steps Committee presented to Board of Education (January 2023)
18 months prior......Goal = Staff Assignments (February 2023)
18 (more) months to prepare for a successful transition!!!
0 months
August 2024 - First Day of School

## 2 More Things...

1.) Thank you!
2.) Survey

## Next Steps Committee Member Survey

My role on the committee is best described as..
$\square$ Parent
$\square$ Staff
$\square$ Administrator
$\square$ Board Member

## Please rate the degree to which you agree with each statement.

|  | Strongly <br> Disagree | Disagree | Somewhat <br> Agree | Agree | Strongly <br> Agree |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Next Steps meetings were informative and <br> productive. |  |  |  |  |  |
| I had an opportunity to provide input, <br> feedback to the district throughout this <br> process. |  |  |  |  |  |
| My input, feedback was valued during this <br> process. |  |  |  |  |  |
| The school district demonstrated good <br> collaboration with staff during this planning <br> process. |  |  |  |  |  |
| The school district is prepared for the <br> 2024-25 school year transition. |  |  |  |  |  |
| My experience as a member of the Next |  |  |  |  |  |
| Steps Committee was positive. |  |  |  |  |  |

Additional Comments/Questions:

