



Proposed Multi-Year Process of Reorganizing Boundaries and Closure/Repurposing of Schools

Governing Board Study Session

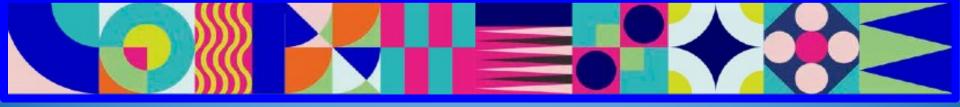
January 28, 2021



Strategic Goals – GESD will ensure financial solvency by providing the community a multi-year process of reorganizing boundaries and repurposing schools by June 2021.

February 9, 2019 Study Session

- Declining student enrollment
- Staff ratios
- Other potential areas of expenses to address budget shortfalls
 - Phase III implementation 2020-2021 school year



August 29, 2019 – Governing Board Meeting

Proposed Next Steps: August 2019 – February 2020 Optimize efficiencies by conducting cost analysis to pursue:

- Analysis of closure and/or repurpose of schools
 - Life of facility
 - Program changes
 - Statutory requirements
- Reanalyze staffing models

Superintendent's Mid Year Report - September 12, 2019 2019-2020 SCHOOL YEAR NEXT STEPS:

Optimize efficiencies by conducting cost analysis to pursue:

- Analysis of boundary changes
 - Impact on Transportation
 - Impact on Facilities
 - Analysis of sale and/or lease of land
- Analyze statutory requirements
 - Analyze inequities in staffing models
 - Analysis of declining enrollment
- Impact on repurposing of school(s)
 - Analyze inequities in staffing models

May 28, 2020 – Governing Board Study Session

- Updated Demographic Study
- Change in enrollment
 - Widespread losses have occurred over the past six years caused by changing demographics and the draw of charter schools.
 - Birth rates in Arizona plummeted by 19% during the recession. The rate stabilized after 2011 and then dropped another 13% over the last four years, resulting in 7.1% fewer births (after adjusting for population growth).
 - Based on trends over the past 10 years, the enrollment-population ratio is likely to decline to about 62% by 2028/29.



September 24, 2020 – Governing Board Executive Session

• Legal advice – sale or lease of district real property

October 8, 2020 – Governing Board Meeting Update on Phase III: 2020-2021

- Analysis of boundary changes to optimize program services for students in special education - Completed
- Analysis of sale and/or lease of land Completed
- Formalized request to School Facilities Board to replace schools Completed
- Analysis of boundary changes to optimize program services for general education students
- Reanalysis of staffing models

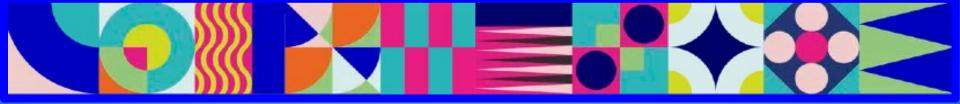


October 8, 2020 – Governing Board Meeting

Proposed Next Steps: 2020-2021

August – December 2020

- Analysis of Repurpose and/or Closure of Schools determined by:
 - Life of facility
 - Program changes
 - Statutory requirements
 - Declining enrollment
 - Population density



November 12, 2020 – Governing Board Study Session

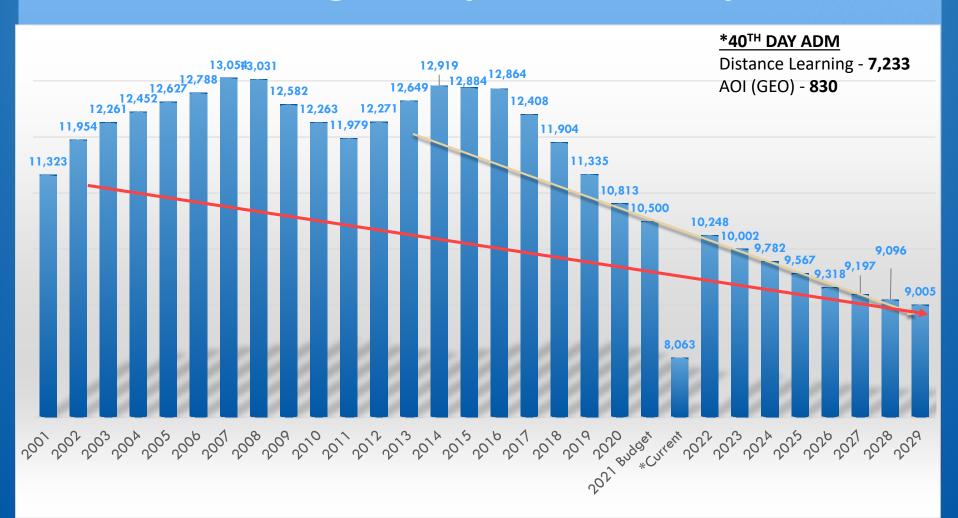
Phase III Strategic Plan

- Updated demographic information
- Boundaries
- Building repurpose/closure

December 10, 2020 Study Session

- Boundary proposal
- Next steps
- Site analysis
- Transportation analysis
- Staffing model
- Phased approach timeline to possible school closure and/or school repurposing
- Comprehensive staff and community communication plan

Average Daily Membership



FY21 M&O EXPENDITURE BUDGET

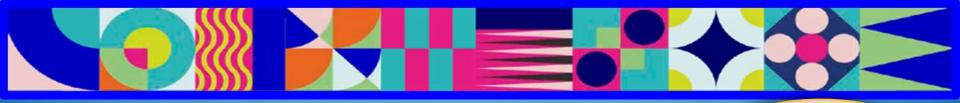
| | ADE Calculated | Adopted | Difference |
|-------------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| RCL | \$48,894,437 | \$60,234,399 | \$(11,339,962) |
| DAA | \$ 707,482 | \$ 707,482 | \$0 |
| Override | \$ 9,360,217 | \$ 9,360,217 | \$0 |
| BBCF | \$ 2,479,235 | \$ 2,290,618 | \$188,617 |
| Adjustments | \$(498,395) | \$(498,395) | \$0 |
| Prop 123 | \$ 242,722 | \$ 240,727 | \$1,995 |
| Total | <u>\$61,185,698</u> | <u>\$72,335,048</u> | <u>\$(11,149,350)</u> |

FY21 CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BUDGET

| | ADE Calculated | Adopted | Difference |
|----------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| BBCF | \$ 2,295,842 | \$ 1,405,434 | \$890,408 |
| Interest | \$0 | \$(65,000) | \$ 65,000 |
| RCL/DAA | \$ 3,382,289 | \$ 5,553,851 | \$(2,171,562) |
| Prop 123 | \$ 481,448 | \$ 481,448 | \$0 |
| Total | <u>\$6,159,579</u> | <u>\$7,375,733</u> | <u>\$(1,216,154)</u> |

FY21 BUDGET PROJECTION

| | ADE Calculated | Adopted | Difference | % Change |
|---|-------------------|--------------|--|-------------|
| Decrease in Average Daily Membership (ADM) | 8,063 | 10,500 | (2,437) | (23.21)% |
| Decrease in Revenue Control Limit (RCL) | \$48,894,437 | \$62,401,449 | \$(13,507,012) | (21.65)% |
| Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) | | | \$1,932,691* | |
| Enrollment Stabilization Grant (ESG) | | | \$3,275,493 | |
| Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief II (ESSER II) | | | \$8,298,828 | |
| TOTAL | | | <u>Avoid Over-</u> <u>expenditure</u> | |



FY22 BUDGET PROJECTION

Assumes no change in funding

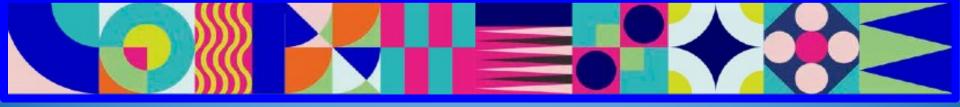
| MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS OVERRIDE | | | CLASSROOM SITE FUND | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|------------------|--------------------------------|------------|-----------|----|--------|------|----------------|
| | Total ADM | RCL | Total Allocation | | Total ADM | | Rate | Tota | l Allocation |
| FY21 | 10,500 | \$ 62,401,449.00 | \$ 9,360,217.35 | FY21 | 10,767 | \$ | 425.00 | \$ | 4,575,975.00 |
| FY22 | 8,063 | \$ 48,894,437.00 | \$ 7,334,165.55 | FY22 | 8,063 | \$ | 425.00 | \$ | 3,426,775.00 |
| Difference | (2,437) | | \$ (2,026,051.80) | Difference | (2,704) | | | \$ | (1,149,200.00) |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| DISTRICT ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE | | | INSTRUCTIONAL IMPROVEMENT FUND | | | | | | |
| | Total ADM | Rate | Total Allocation | | Total ADM | | Rate | Tota | I Allocation |
| FY21 | 10,767 | \$ 383.15 | \$ 4,125,332.98 | FY21 | 10,767 | \$ | 40.59 | \$ | 437,032.53 |
| FY22 | 8,063 | \$ 450.76 | \$ 3,634,477.88 | FY22 | 8,063 | \$ | 40.59 | \$ | 327,277.17 |
| Difference | (2,704) | | \$ (490,855.10) | Difference | (2,704) | | | \$ | (109,755.36) |

Assumes 100% restoration

Assumes no change in funding

FY22 BUDGET PROJECTION

| | Budget Deficit Estimate |
|---|----------------------------|
| Revenue Control Limit (RCL) | \$(13,507,012) |
| Reduction in M&O Override | \$(2,026,052) |
| Reduction in Classroom Site Fund | \$(1,149,200) |
| Reduction in District Additional Assistance | \$(490,855) |
| Reduction in Instructional Improvement Fund | \$(109,755) |
| TOTAL | <u>\$(17,282,874)</u> |



STRATEGIC GOAL

GESD will ensure financial solvency by providing the community a multi-year process of reorganizing boundaries and repurposing schools by June 2021.



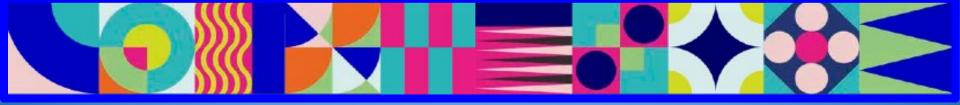
Phase I 2021-2022

Proposed Closure – Imes and Sine

- Imes students are reassigned to Burton, Landmark and Smith
- Sine students are reassigned to Burton and Horizon

Proposed Boundary Changes

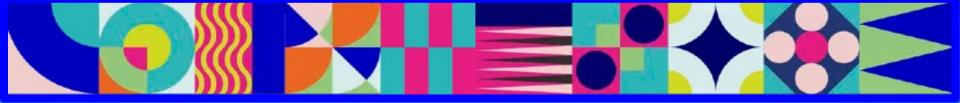
- American, Landmark, Horizon and Burton students are reassigned based on the proposed boundary grid
- Desert Spirit will assume additional students
- Smith will assume additional students
- Sunset Vista will no longer have students east of Grand Avenue



Phase II 2022-2023

Proposed Closure - Coyote Ridge, Desert Garden and Bicentennial North

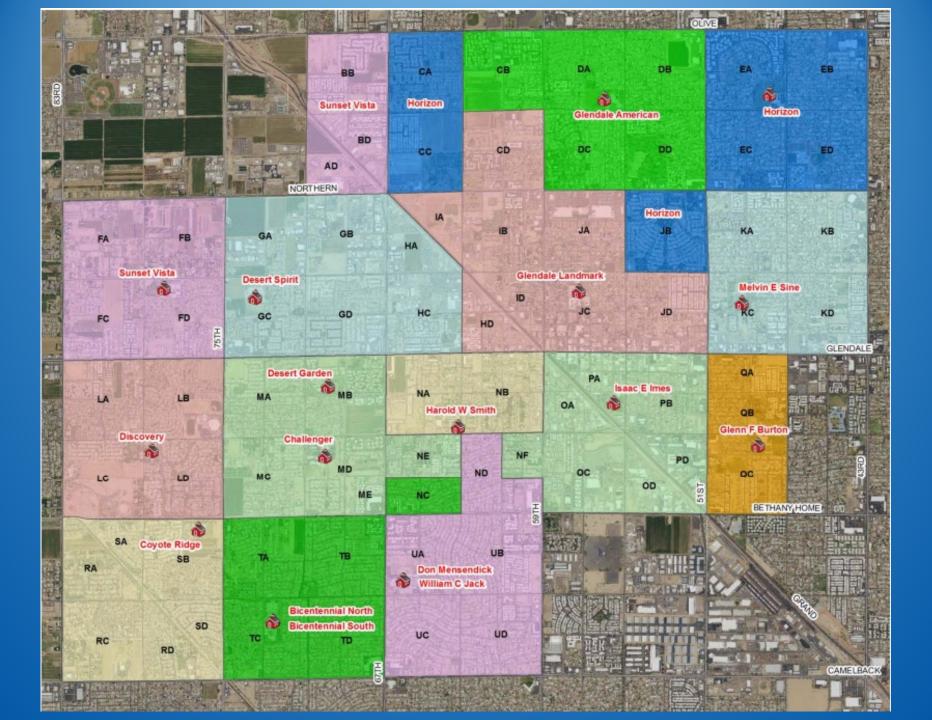
- Coyote Ridge students are reassigned to Discovery
- Coyote Ridge is re-purposed
- Desert Garden students are reassigned to Challenger or Mensendick and are reconfigured to K-8 models
- Desert Garden is re-purposed
- Bicentennial North students are reassigned to Bicentennial South or Mensendick
- Bicentennial South is reconfigured to a K-8 model

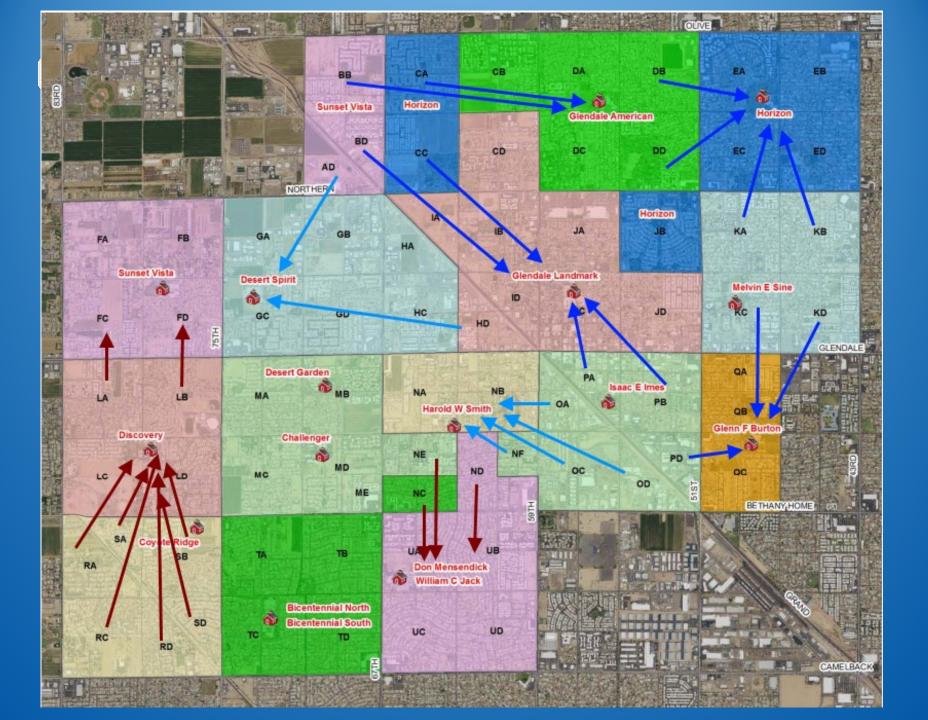


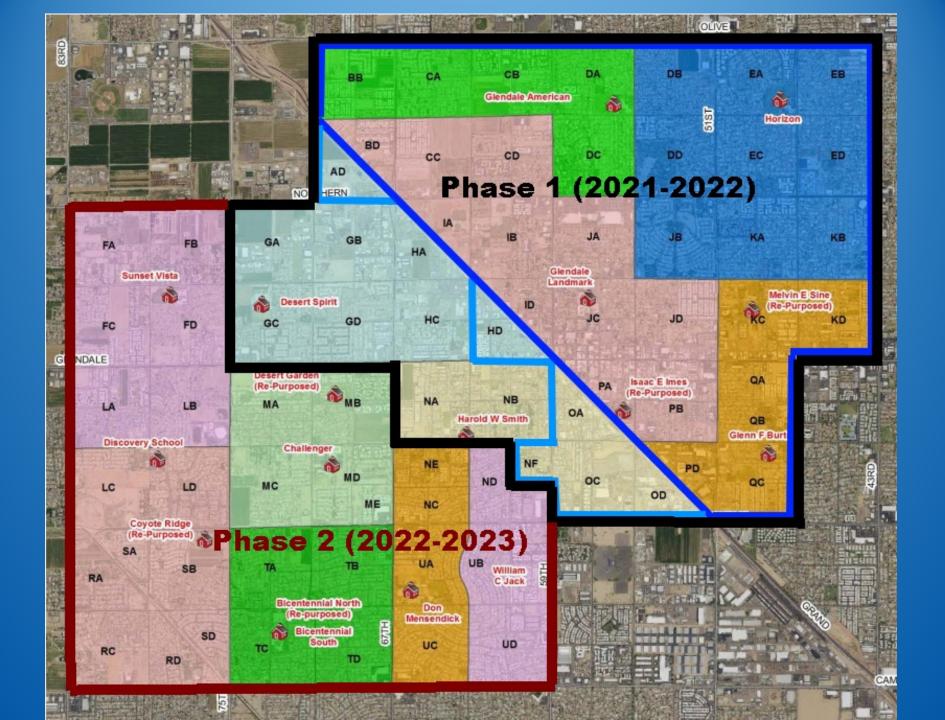
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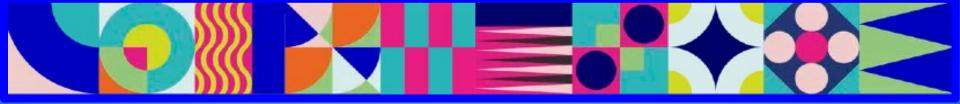
Proposed Boundary Changes

- Students are reassigned based on the proposed boundary grid
- Jack is reconfigured to a K-8 model
- Mensendick is reconfigured to a K-8 model









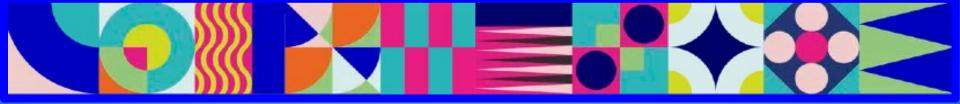
Grid Code Assignments in Phases

http://bit.ly/GESD-gridcodes

Rationale for Phase I & II

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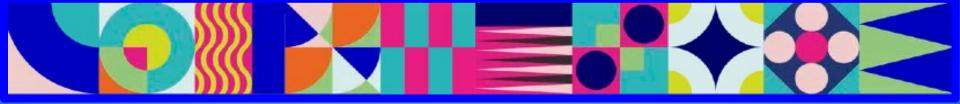


Preschool Facility 2022-2023 School Year

Currently, tuition-based Preschool occurs throughout GESD, but a centralized location will allow for efficiencies in physical and staff resources.

Wraparound Services

- One location for GESD Preschool
- Partnership with Head Start
- Pre-K workshops
- Child Find screenings
- First Things First classes for parents and children
- Preschool-Kindergarten transition meetings occur in a centralized location
- Centralized location for district wide Kindergarten registration



Preschool Facility and Rationale 2022-2023 School Year

Facility

Desert Garden

Rationale

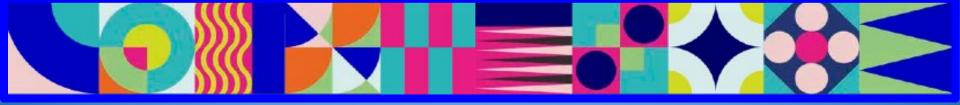
- Location
- Space
- Campus layout and organization
- Physical aspects of campus for primary years

GESD System of Care Center Framework

A system of care is: A spectrum of effective, community-based services and supports for children and youth with or at risk for mental health or other challenges and their families, that is organized into a coordinated network, builds meaningful partnerships with families and youth, and addresses their cultural and linguistic needs, in order to help them to function better at home, in school, in the community, and throughout life. (Beth A. Stroul, M.Ed. Robert M. Friedman, Ph.D.)

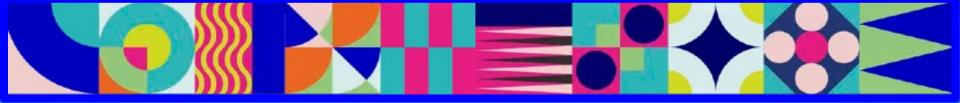
VISION

Series of services and supports focused around a Medical Clinic



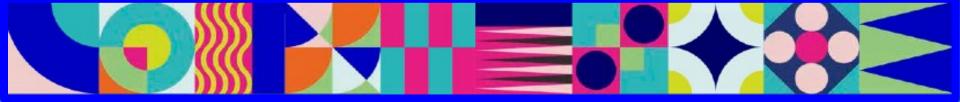
NEED

- Expanded implementation of a continuum of support and services for students and families
- Understanding of how a System of Care is utilized to support a positive connection between staff, students, and families
- Increase health awareness and literacy of students, families and staff to improve the quality of outcomes
- Develop health programs staffed by health specialists (psychologists, advance practice nurses, counselors, clinical social workers) to screen for, provide early intervention for and to address any ongoing health needs of students and families
- Connect families, schools, and communities to increase engagement and support
- Develop an infrastructure that will sustain and expand health services and supports



WRAPAROUND APPROACH

- Team-based service planning and coordination process
- Ensures that there is one coordinated plan of care and one care coordinator
- Structured approach to service planning and care coordination



Facility

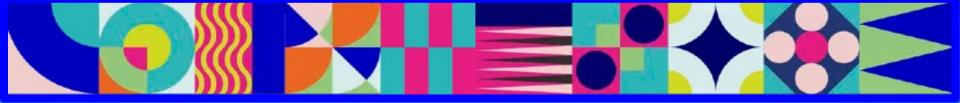
• Coyote Ridge

Rationale

- Location
- Space
- Campus layout
- Access

GESD System of Care Center Framework

- Mental Health Services
- п. Social Services
- III. Educational Services
- iv. Health Services
- v. Substance Abuse Services
- vi. Vocational Services
- vII. Recreational Services
- vIII. Juvenile Justice Services
- * Expanded Model



NEXT STEPS

- Develop long-term strategic plan for building use
- Identify and leverage funding
- Strengthen and expand partnerships
- Development of strong components



Glendale Elementary Online (GEO) Learning 2021-2022 School Year

During the 2020-2021 school year, we implemented GEO Learning

Rationale

- The enrollment continually fluctuating with GEO with a gradual decline throughout the 2020-2021 school year
- The academic integrity of learning in primary grades
- The partial state funding formula for an Arizona Online Instruction (AOI) school

At this time, it is not recommended we change GEO Learning as a school. However, possible programmatic changes will occur at a future date.



School Staffing Models 2021-2022 School Year

Staffing Model Criteria

- Size of student population
- Innovations and programming
- Eliminating the academic achievement gap
- SEL
- Equal access to related arts

School Site Staffing Model

| SMALL | MEDIUM | LARGE |
|--|---|---|
| 1 Principal 1 Assistant Principal 2 Front Office Staff 1 Instructional Coach 1 Academic Acceleration Specialist 1 SELS 1 Library Clerk 3 Related Arts Teachers 1 Standard Educational Assistant 1 Nurse 1 Family Liaison | 1 Principal 1 Assistant Principal 3 Front Office Staff 1 Instructional Coach 1 Academic Acceleration Specialist 1 SELS 1 Library Clerk 4 Related Arts Teachers 2 Standard Educational Assistants 1 Nurse 1 Family Liaison | 1 Principal 2 Assistant Principals 3 Front Office Staff 1 Instructional Coach 2 Academic Acceleration Specialists 2 SELS 1 Library Clerk 5 Related Arts Teachers 3 Standard Educational Assistants 1 Nurse 1 Office Staff for Nurse 1 Family Liaison |

Federally and/or state grant funded positions such as Academic Acceleration Specialists, Instructional Coaches, SELS and Family Liaisons are funding dependent year-to-year.

Band will continue to be offered at K-8 campuses.

Self-contained Special Education classrooms will be reorganized and re-routed throughout the district.

Special Education Resource teacher and Educational Assistant allocations will be dependent on case loads.

GCQA - Professional Staff - Reduction in Force

In the event the Board decides to release certificated staff members, the following guidelines will be in effect:

The criteria used in formulating these recommendations shall include, but shall not be limited to:

- Qualifications and certification of staff members to accomplish the District's educational program, including certification requirements for specialty categories and designation as appropriately certified.
- Overall teaching experience, academic training and ability
- Past contributions to the educational program of the District
- Teacher tenure and seniority shall not be considerations in retention determinations.
- Personnel to be released shall be notified as soon as practical.

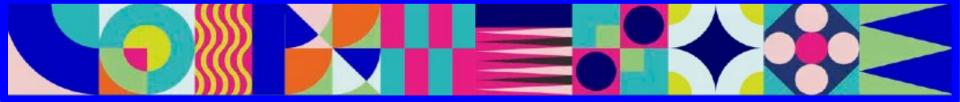
GDQA - Support Staff Reduction in Force

In the event the Board decides to release support staff members, the following guidelines will be in effect:

- Normal attrition due to terminations will be relied upon as the first means of reducing the staff.
- Qualifications of staff members to accomplish the District's program
- Overall experience, training and ability
- Past contributions to the program of the District
- All other factors being equal, length of service in the District

Criteria for selection of staff members to be released will be applied separately to employees within specialty categories.

Personnel to be released shall be notified as soon as practical.



School Closure Timeline

February 4, 2021 – Special Board meeting to formally outline meeting dates & notice(s)

February 10, 2021 – Public Hearing Notice must be received in homes

February 11, 2021 – Regular Board meeting

February 25, 2021 – Public Hearing for School Closure and regular Board meeting

March 11, 2021 – Second meeting regarding School Closure and possible action taken by Board

SFB must be notified and GESD must receive approval from SFB to proceed to close