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Date: June 26, 2020

To: Staff, Parents, Students and Community Members

From: Superintendent Mike McNulty



Re: FY21 School Planning Team Request

I am sending this communication to everyone in the Barnum School District inviting you to be part of a summer planning team for this upcoming school year 2020-21. Under the guidance of the MN Dept. of Health (MDH) and MN Dept. of Education (MDE), schools in Minnesota are being asked to prepare for the upcoming school year with the assumption that our school year may operate differently from previous years.

“Spring 2020 brought unprecedented changes to society and our education system. As we plan for the 2020-21 school year, the Minnesota Department of Education (MDE) is working with the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) to monitor the Covid-19 pandemic and determine how to keep our students, families and staff healthy and safe. We have developed guidance for three scenarios for the school year. School districts should plan for all three scenarios, based on the MDH planning guidance, so our schools can be ready for whatever the public health situation may require.”

The planning team will consist of:

- Administrative team, including the superintendent and building principals (3)
- 1 school board member (1)
- Teaching staff from both BES and BHS, including regular classroom instructors and specialists (up to 3 per building)
- Non-teaching staff, including one rep each group - paraprofessionals (2), transportation, office staff and food service (5 total)
- Parents and community members (up to 3)
- Students (2) - Please contact Principal Campbell at gcampbell@isd91.org if interested.

Meeting information for the team is as follows:

1. Meeting dates: July 7, 14, 21 and 28.
2. Meeting times: 8-11:00 a.m., lunchbreak, 12-3:00 p.m.
3. Meeting location: Barnum HS Commons
4. Meeting guidelines: We will follow CDC/MDH health guidelines on social distancing and occupancy percentages. We also ask that you wear a mask to help protect the health of others.
5. Contact the District Office at 218-389-6978 x1001 or me via email at mmcnulty@isd91.org with your name and contact information if you are willing to be a part of the planning team.

Please make sure you can meet the requirements of the dates and times so the team has consistent participation and input before you commit to the planning team. Once the planning team is established, I will share a google document with information regarding the guidance and planning days.

Please send a reply to my email address (mmcnulty@isd91.org) by Thursday, July 2, 2020.

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