



NEVADA COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT



Preparing Learners Today for Tomorrow

Nevada CSD - School Improvement Advisory Committee

Date: January 10th, 2022

Time: 6:30pm

Location: Nevada HS Media Center

[Virtual Link](#)

AGENDA:

1: Welcome/Introductions

- NCSA School Board Member: Marty Chitty
- NCSA TLC Staff: Tyler Struck, Catie Neuman, Zach Lillquist, and Kody Asmus
- NCSA Students: Olivia Beauchene, Ella Check, Chloe Peterson, Christian Hawbaker, Jeremy Hansen, and Jacob Mumm.
- NCSA Community Members: Kim Houston, Cara Wending, Stacie Herridge, Tricia Crain, Jessie McGaffin (Faculty/Staff), Jill Bohnet, and Pam Eaton

2: Purpose of the School Improvement Advisory Committee (SIAC)

-(Per Iowa Code 280.12) -- To serve in an advisory role and make recommendations to the board of directors regarding:

- Major educational needs
- Student learning goals
- Long-range and annual improvement goals that include, but are not limited to, the state indicators that address reading, mathematics, and science achievement.
- Desired levels of student performance.
- Progress toward meeting the goals
- Harassment or bullying prevention goals, programs, training, and other initiatives.
- Infusing character education into the educational program

3: Building and Student Updates

-**Central Elementary:** SEL Professional Development, Literacy Footprints implementation, continued PD with Jen Burns, FAST testing coming up (K-4 Reading and Math), and evaluating Math curriculum programs w/site visits - Bridges and enVisions.

-**Nevada Middle School:** SEL Professional Development, FAST testing for 5-8 students (Reading and Math), MTSS focus - Literacy, Math, and Behaviors, and the Cafeteria is open!

-**Nevada High School:** SEL Professional Development, Summative/Formative Assessment work, implementing classroom visits by teachers (grow from your own), 22-23 School Year Prep - course orientation, course requests, develop Master Schedule, and 1-on-1 scheduling meetings for students, and provide an activities/athletics update.

-**Nevada HS Students:** Quick overview of upcoming activities/athletics, Spring Musical on March 4th-6th - Disney's Beauty and the Beast, Crystal Ball on Feb 1st, Community Outreach - Funding for a variety of activities, and 1st semester ending/2nd semester starting - which includes a variety of new college course offerings for students.

4: NCS D Student Achievement Data and Discussion

-[NCS D Student Achievement Report 2021](#) (shared at November Mtg)

-[NCS D Fall 2021 FAST](#) (shared at November Mtg)

-NCS D Winter 2022 FAST (available in Feb of 2022)

**Review of Winter 2022 FAST data at our March Mtg.*

-Student Achievement Report available on the District website

5: [NCS D ESSER III Plan](#) / [Return to Learn Plan](#) and Discussion

*Discussion on the "why" for the Intervention positions @ the Elem/MS

**FAST DATA and support needs*

*Why not have a position at the HS similar to the Elem/MS?

**MTSS structure at the HS is different (Seminar) - not an immediate need*

*What will happen when ESSER funding runs out?

**District will do its best to ensure the position and the people stay - will be based on need and financial availability. The focus will be on ensuring our people stay employed w/us.*

*Discussion on the General Fund flexibility due to coding qualifying position salaries w/ESSER funding.

*SIAC did not provide ESSER III/RTL plan recommendations to consider for change.

**We will review the plan again at our June Mtg*

6: [NCS D Special Education Plan](#) and Discussion

*Discussion on staff caseloads and the leveling of students

- *Reviewing post-secondary opportunities for students with IEP's
- *SIAC did not provide NCSD Special Education Plan recommendations to consider for change.

**We will review again at our March Mtg*

7: NCSD Equity Report and Discussion

- *Discussion on Open In/Out Enrollment - why are we losing students to Ames?
- *Request for 20-21 Open Enrollment In/Out #'s by Buildings
- *Request for current (21-22) Open Enrollment In/Out #'s
- *We will continue our review at our March Mtg

8: Other

9: Identify Topics of Interest for the 2021-22 SIAC Committee (*added by Asmus*)

- Math Curriculum Options: Grades K-5
- Career Ready Iowa Update - NCSD Delivery Plan
- NCSD Computer Science Program K-12

10: Future Meeting Dates (6:30-8:00pm)

- March 24th (Thursday) -- Gates Hall Auditorium (*include visit of Gates Hall*)
- June 7th (Tuesday) -- Nevada Middle School Media Center (*include visit of NMS*)

LAUNCH: *Your present circumstances don't determine where you can go. They merely determine where you start.* – Nido Qubein