Staff,

Excitement is building as we see the dream of a new high school take shape from the ground up. Along with this new campus came the opportunity to evaluate and address overcrowding in all our schools. As a result last spring our community and staff evaluated potential reconfiguration models and our school board selected a new configuration of our schools.

We recognize this decision results in a lot of work to do and some questions regarding these changes. Each question that you have brought forward has been incredibly helpful, ensuring our plans take into account each impact the moves will have. We'd like to thank you for your patience as we have been collecting questions, evaluating the work we have ahead and organizing a plan of action. We also invite you to continue to share your questions with us, we will continue to collect them by topic so we can be sure to address them throughout the process.

While some decisions will be made at a district level, many will be made at building levels as well. With that in mind we do have common goals to guide our decisions. They are below.

Goals we seek to achieve in the new configuration of schools:

- To provide high quality teaching and learning
- To provide safe, healthy, and nurturing learning environments
- To be fiscally responsible
- To communicate and collaborate with our staff, community, and families
- To build a seamless K-12 learning experience that results in high-quality learning for all students

We thought it would be a good time to give you an update on our progress and share with you some answers to frequently asked questions. At this point much of the work has involved collecting information, and forming the plan. As the plan has begun to take shape we have been able to drill down and begin work in some areas. In other places we realize decisions must first be made.

Where decisions need to be made, where appropriate, staff will be invited to join a committee or give feedback. In other cases you will see some of the work occur as some tasks require a centrally made decision and just need to get done.

To keep you informed we'll be sending updates. One tool to do that will be the document attached below. It will contain some frequently asked questions (FAQ's) and next steps that will be taken.

Throughout the process we expect you'll have more questions please don't hesitate to invite us to talk about them. We appreciate your questions and want this transition to be a positive experience for all.

Michael and Asha