

# Arrowhead Community Meeting

February 21, 2018

## School Recommendation

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# Facilities Planning Committee

**Committee made 12 recommendations, which were reviewed and edited by Cabinet including:**

**Area of Concern:**

**Aire Libre and Arrowhead are currently under 400 students with no projected growth.**

**Recommendation:**

**Consider signature programming at Arrowhead and Aire Libre or the repurposing of the schools to maximize facility efficiency.**

# Governing Board Study Session

- **The Facilities Committee concerns and recommendations were shared with Governing Board members during the December 11th study session.**
- **The Governing Board directed Cabinet to review the demographic data for Aire Libre and Arrowhead and provide a recommended plan to address low and declining enrollment.**

# Arrowhead Demographer Data

## **Total enrollment for 2017-2018**

- **358 students**
  - **323 regular education students - 35 self contained special education students**
  - **1 Sun Kids preschool, 1 Title I Preschool**

**Projected loss of 107 students by 2022-2023.**

# Arrowhead Demographer Data

## Area of Residence

- **123 students reside South of Greenway.**
- **63 students reside North of Greenway.**
- **172 open enrollment of the 358 students enrolled.**
  - **70 open enrollments from Palomino.**
  - **38 open enrollments from Indian Bend.**
  - **26 open enrollments from Whispering Wind.**

# **Cabinet Recommendation**

## **Arrowhead**

- **In order to provide a comprehensive elementary school experience for students, the data supports the consolidation of attendance areas.**
- **Cabinet recommendations**
  - **Arrowhead Elementary School to be consolidated with both the Indian Bend and Whispering Wind attendance areas for the 2019-2020 school year.**

# Arrowhead Recommendations

- **Regular Education students in Arrowhead boundaries**
  - **North of Greenway - Whispering Wind**
  - **South of Greenway - Indian Bend**
- **All self contained special education students attend either**
  - **Whispering Wind**
  - **Liberty**
- **Open Enrollment students will be encouraged to register at Whispering Wind or Indian Bend based on school of residence.**

# **Self-Contained Structured Program at Arrowhead**

- **There are 5 self-contained Structured classrooms to support students with autism.**
- **In the 5 classrooms, the 35 students in the self-contained program will be serviced based on attendance area and program need at Whispering Wind, Liberty, or Sunset Canyon.**



# Proposed Indian Bend Data

<b>Students currently attending Indian Bend</b>	<b>531</b>
<b>Arrowhead students residing south of Greenway</b>	<b>123</b>
<b>Arrowhead Open Enrollment students</b>	<b><u>43</u></b>
<b>Estimated Total Enrollment</b>	<b>697</b>
● <b>Estimated student population change by <u>2022-23</u></b>	
○ <b>Indian Bend projected loss of 65</b>	
○ <b>Arrowhead projected loss of 107</b>	

# Proposed Whispering Wind Data

<b>Students currently attending Whispering Wind</b>	<b>555</b>
<b>Arrowhead self contained structured students</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Arrowhead students residing north of Greenway</b>	<b>63</b>
<b>Arrowhead Open Enrollment students</b>	<b><u>89</u></b>
<b>Estimated Total Enrollment</b>	<b>719</b>

- **Estimated student population change by 2022-23**
  - **Whispering Wind projected loss 83**
  - **Arrowhead projected loss 107**

# Communication Timeline

- **January 2018 - Facilities Committee concerns and recommendations shared with each staff.**
- **February 8th - Site Council and staff meetings held at both sites sharing possible recommendations.**
- **February 9th - Governing Board Study Session**
- **February 9th - Receiving schools' staff informed.**
- **February 9th - Letters sent home to all five communities in the afternoon.**
- **February 9th - District staff notified of recommendation.**

- February 21st at 6:30 p.m. at Arrowhead.

## **Whispering Wind Community Meeting**

- February 27th at 6:30 p.m. at Whispering Wind.

## **Indian Bend Community Meeting**

- March 1st at 6:30 p.m. at Indian Bend.

## **Governing Board Community Meeting**

- Wednesday, March 21, 2018, at 7 p.m. The meeting will be held at: North Canyon High School, 1700 E. Union Hills Dr., Phoenix, AZ 85024.

# Benefits for students at Indian Bend

- Free After the Bell Enrichment And Academic Classes
- Kid's At Hope Belief System: "All children are capable of success, no exceptions."
- ST Math Labs
- Literacy Reading Labs
- Gifted Specialist/Gifted Pull-Out/Cluster Classrooms
- Character/Citizenship Programs
- Technology - Device provided for every child at Indian Bend
- Special Areas - Music, Art and PE Classes
- Title I Preschools
- ELL Classrooms (Self-Contained and ILLP's)

# Benefits for students at Whispering Wind

- **Opportunity to enroll in a Dual Language Immersion classroom - Mandarin Chinese**
- **World Language**
- **Gifted Specialist/Gifted Pull-Out/Cluster Classrooms**
- **Character/Citizenship Programs**
- **Technology - Device provided for every child Grades 1-6**
- **Special Areas - Music, Art, PE and STEM Classes**
- **After the Bell tutoring for Math and Reading**
- **Coding Classes**
- **Robotics Classes**
- **Hope for Kids: volunteer programming for students after school**

- # Benefits for students at Liberty Elementary
- **All Things EQ School: focused on weekly mottos that support the social/emotional skills of all students.**
  - **PBIS campus. use positive reinforcements to teach expected behaviors.**
  - **One to one technology - Each student has a device.**
  - **Art, music, and PE for all students.**
  - **Inclusive Chorus and Musical Theater programs.**
  - **Gifted Specialist/Pull Out/Cluster Classrooms.**
  - **Active Parent Teacher Organization.**
  - **Mascot and a variety of after school Community Education programs.**
  - **Specialized tutoring classes, homework club, and AR Club.**

# Moving Forward

- **Community building events.**
- **Student field trips between schools.**
- **Shared professional development day opportunities.**
- **Collaboration between parent organizations.**
- **Statutory requirements met through community communication and public meetings.**



# Possible Repurposing Options

- **Develop a facility for community and district athletic and/or performing arts use.**
- **Create partnerships with community agencies to provide services for neighborhood families.**
- **Develop a multi-use facility providing West-Mec and CTE programming.**
- **Create a preschool center.**
- **Sell the land and facilities.**

# Rationale of Recommendations

- **Declining enrollment leads to inefficiencies in a school with small numbers of students.**
- **Schools with low enrollment are unable to provide comprehensive programming.**
- **PV Schools will realize an estimated annual savings of \$500,000 per school.**
- **The location of schools limits the potential open enrollment.**

**Questions?**