

DISD Updates & Plans



- Introducing newly hired staff members:
 - Bernadette Lucero – Executive Assistant to the Superintendent/School Board Secretary
 - Bob Cooke – Dulce Elementary Principal
 - Daniel Dominguez – High School Teacher
 - Talbrett Caramillo & Sherwin Serafin – Substitute Teachers
 - Angela Leyba & Francisco Talamante – Substitute Custodians
 - Aldric Vigil - Cook
- The MOA between DISD and JANLC – submitted by Dr. Marcella Talamante – has been signed.
- Calendar Committee planning –a calendar proposal to be on the agenda for the school board meeting March 21
- In updating records – H.R. fingerprinted 103 DISD employees Feb. 1 and 8 by GEMALTO.
- H.R. Staff will attend a recruitment fair at the NMABE conference, April 13 – 15. They will also advertise with the Albuquerque Journal’s Big Book of Jobs.
- Professional Development:
 - March 3 – two groups
 - DHS – Incorporating Project Based Learning (Science, Math, ELA)
 - DES – Books are FUN! Online webinar
 - March 10 – three groups –
 - Final CPI training for DISD staff – still need less than 10 people, refresher suggested for the beginning of next school year
 - TNTP Math In- person training for all math teachers in DISD
 - MLSS online modules for remaining staff
 - March 17 – District staff - Sexual Harassment & Professional Ethics and Boundaries (meets requirements for HB 128 training)
 - March 24 – two groups
 - DES – 90-minute Professional Learning Community (PLC) meetings & staff meeting
 - Imagine Learning for Reading & Math Intervention teachers (DMS & DES)
- Teacher licensure is updated. Staff whose licensure is expiring this June or who need to finish the application process for moving to the next level of licensure for the next school year have been notified three times over this past school year.
- Snow Days – I emailed Consuelo Constantine, the Executive Assistant to Secretary-Designate Romero to see if DISD needed to make up the two snow days we did not go virtual. I filed a waiver and am waiting for an answer.

- The Calendar committee has met at 1:30 every Tuesday since January 31, except for March 7. Two calendars will be presented at this next school board meeting.
- Administrators and Central Office staff have been working on budget planning for next school year. All departments put in Full Time Employees, Contract Time Employees, needs of departments to consider in planning funding for next school year. Stipulation that this is based on what we get from the State Equalization Guarantee (SEG).
- Administration and Central Office staff meetings are always Monday at 10:30 am to touch base.
- Weekly Superintendent group calls – on Thursday mornings at 9 am – have mostly been about NM Legislation. Most areas of concern were transportation funding changes, insurance changes, state SPED offices, and the number of required hours this next school year: 1140 for K – 12, with 60 hours of PD for elementary and 30 hours of PD for middle & high school.

DHS Principal Report information – Nancy Jobe

1. We have 36 seniors enrolled at this time. All 36 are on schedule to graduate if they complete all courses currently enrolled in with a passing grade. We do have 3 or 4 students who are enrolled in Edgenuity classes as part of their current class load which will need to be completed as well.
2. Saturday April 15th is PROM. It will be held in the DHS cafeteria.
3. DHS completed the Access testing for all ELL students. We also complete the NWEA – Maps testing this past month. This data is the first testing DHS has completed since COVID. We will utilize this data to help drive instruction over this last quarter. We will be testing the students again in May. This will give us a starting point for next school year. DHS will also be administering the PSAT and SAT to all Freshmen, Sophomores and Juniors on April 12th and 13th. SAT testing is mandated for our Junior students in preparing for graduation next year. We have opted to have the Freshmen and Sophomores take the practice SAT (PSAT) tests. This will allow the students to obtain knowledge of the SAT prior to taking it for graduation requirements.
4. Work Based Learning has kicked off, and we currently have 4 students participating. We will be holding another information session for the 4th Quarter on Wednesday March 15th at 3 in the DHS Seminar room. We are looking into extending this opportunity into the summer.
5. Mr. Arellano is scheduled to attend the Bee Keeping classes which will be from April through August through Institute of American Indian Art (IAIA). These classes are on-line and will allow DHS to begin growing our own beehive / honey. We are very excited to have this opportunity for our students.



Middle School Report – Jack Props

Our student population: 6th grade 38 students, 7th grade 43 students, and 8th grade 52 students. Total 133 students.

Our attendance: 43 days of school, 91% attendance rate,

I have one teacher resigning on March 17, 2023. She will also be the permeant sub for that class.

I have several openings for next year: 6th math/science, 8th history, 1 EA, computer teacher, ISS monitor and reading interventionist.

State testing in April

Completed ACCESS testing for this year. All ELL students participating in.

Elementary Report – Cherry Malaque

Enrollment – 252 students

- 10 - Pre-K
- 40 – Kindergarten
- 39 – 1st Grade
- 42 – 2nd Grade
- 34 – 3rd Grade
- 40 – 4th Grade
- 47 – 5th Grade



1. Three 1st teachers will be going to NMABE Conference along with Dr. Talamante to present the districts effort on PBL. Presentors will be Dr. Malaque and Dr. Talamante and 1st grade teachers. Date: April 13-15.

2. STUCO and Mr. Emen's 4th grade class initiative to meet and greet Governor Lujan Grisham was accomplished. They had a tour at the Roundhouse and meet legislators.

3. PreK Participation to Early Childhood Day 2023 last February 28 in the Capitol Building. Meet up with Secretary Groginsky.

4. PreK Compliance Visit will be on April 26 @ 9:00-11:00 AM.

5. PreK and JCFEC will do Kinder class visits every month to prep them for Kinder.

Safety & Security Update - Joey Garcia

1. Continued Research, revision, and updating the Safe School Plan. 1/3 completed.

2. We have the Lock Trainer from Dormakata coming to give instruction for the door locks that we missed in Albuquerque during inclement weather. He will be here on April 5, 2023

3. Sean O'Malley from Overhead doors will arrive on March 24, 2023 for information to get us the quote for the school administration entrance door. Goal is to have it locked, with entrance accessed via buzzer from the superintendent's office or security office. Staff will have entrance access with their I.D. Keycards.
4. Collaborating with the New Mexico Department of Health to schedule a Gatekeeper Suicide Prevention certification for the suicide prevention team.
5. Researching training schedules in collaboration with Risk Management for reunification training (when students need to be reunified with families after an incident) and Active Shooter training for all staff.
6. Prevention trainings via Vector Solutions have been assigned to all DISD staff. These were sent out by Risk Management for compliance.

Maintenance – James Montoya

- Projects include:
 - DHS Cooling Tower
 - Parking lots, roads & sidewalk repair
 - Fencing – teacher housing & schools
 - Teaching housing units (trailers)



Transportation – Jacob Herbster

- The P.O.'s have been made for the Electric Buses & the Infrastructure
- Roberts Trucks have successfully repaired the activity buses and the past trip happened with no issues.

Superintendent requests

- School Board pictures be posted at each school
- A statement released that the whole district mascot is now Hawks
- Plans for two School Board Retreats
 - For training
 - To begin updating school board policies

