

## Update from Dr. Rudolph

February 15, 2019

### Upcoming Events

February Break next week.

Tuesday, February 26	Stevenson Math Night, 5:30 p.m. Graham Musical, 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday, February 27	State of the Schools, 6:30 p.m. @ Graham auditorium
Friday, March 1	Graham Dance, 6:30 p.m.
Saturday, March 2	Stevenson Silent Auction, 5:30 p.m.

### The Superintendent's Calendar in Review

- Led the weekly Cabinet meeting
- Observed the Run Hide Defend drill at Graham Middle School
- Held mid-year reviews with five principals
- Met with three direct reports
- Phone call with Board president
- Met with PTA presidents
- Met with MVEF representatives
- Presented at the AASA National Superintendents conference

### From the Public Information Officer

- Distinguished schools application for Graham and Crittenden
- Media interview and meeting (budget and North Bayshore)
- Early childhood opportunities at MVWSD flyer for Pre K-3 ([view it here](#))
- State of the Schools (Feb. 27) event preparation
- Public records requests (2)
- MV Parent U promotion (Health Connected Feb. 13)

### From the Director of Technology

- Supporting the school sites, in the last month we have received 604 support requests and we have resolved 87% of those requests.
- Distributing headphones in preparation for testing.
- Planning for summer ed tech professional development.

## **From the Chief Academic Officer**

This week marked the beginning of the planning season for the 2019-20 school year. Cathy Baur had meetings with the Community School of Music and Art and the Krause Center. Additionally, a representative from TechSmart was here to demonstrate the middle school platform for teachers and administrators. The elementary platform demonstration is scheduled for February 28 and a demonstration for the Board of Trustees will be at the March 7 meeting. The Local Control Accountability Plan survey window opened on January 28 and will remain open through March 1. The survey links have been sent out to parents and paper copies in English and Spanish are available in school offices. On Thursday, Cathy attended the Assistant Superintendent's meeting and the Assessment and Accountability meeting at the Santa Clara County Office of Education. As of Thursday, all certificated staff, counselors, At Risk Supervisors, and School and Community Engagement Facilitators have completed Kognito training. Kognito provides online interactive role-play simulations for faculty and staff that builds awareness, knowledge, and skills about mental health and suicide prevention. We were able to access this training through a partnership with the Santa Clara County Behavioral Services Department.

### **Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment**

This week in the Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment department. Tara Vikjord continued to support teachers and sites with final trimester 2 assessments as the assessment window closes on Friday. She planned and prepared upcoming training for teachers. She also prepared training for principals and site coordinators for upcoming state testing. Tara met with two site administrators to support them with planning information for a parent meeting. She attended the TechSmart platform demonstration with the middle school teachers and facilitated the RTI meeting with the science team. She brought the middle school science coach to support NGSS training with the RTI team. Tara met with Heidi Smith and a staff member from the Santa Clara County Office of Education to further discuss data collection and best practices for supporting student learning. Finally, she met with Tabitha Miller to prepare for the Dual Immersion Advisory Team work next week.

### **Federal, State and Strategic Programs**

**2/11:** Special Education and English learner joint collaboration meeting held at the district office with administrative teams. The list of reclassification candidates with disabilities and the process were reviewed.

**2/12:** Landels family supply support giveaway coordinated by the district McKinney-Vento liaison. Clothing, sleeping bags, blankets and travel bags from donation partners were distributed. Visa gift cards were distributed to select families in need for grocery assistance over the February break. Cards were donated by Pure Good Storage Foundation.

**2/13:** Parent University was held at Crittenden Middle School. The topic was “Being an Askable Adult”--How to Talk to Children about Sexuality. This program was presented in partnership with *Health Connected*.

SIOP walkthroughs with principals were conducted at Crittenden, Castro and Bubb this week. A SIOP feedback open meeting was held after school at the District office on 2/12. Teachers and staff were invited to attend. 10 teachers attended, mostly instructional coaches. Six sites were represented and brainstormed ideas for the next steps for SIOP implementation. A follow up survey to all teachers will be sent after the LCAP survey window closes.

### **Special Education**

Arianna Mayes spent three days at the ACSA Every Child Counts Symposium. Throughout the three days, she attended nine different sessions including from legal round table talks, Special Education 101, and developing a strong tier II process for behavior. These trainings will be disseminated amongst staff throughout the remainder of the year. Additionally, Arienne visited Castro and Landels schools and continued work on the development of an Instructional Assistant Cohort for behavior training.

### **Preschool**

Our external Quality Rating and Improvement System assessments begin this Friday at Latham Preschool and are scheduled to continue through the end of March. We will have one site visit (review of student developmental and health screening and staff education and ongoing professional development files), two ECERS visits (assessing the classroom and outdoor environments and health/sanitary practices) and two CLASS visits (assessing various elements of teacher-child interactions from the teacher's responsiveness to student emotional and educational needs to classroom climate and behavior management as well as instruction).

### **From the Chief Human Relations Officer**

The lottery for open enrollment at choice schools will be held on March 5, 2019. Parents will be notified and have 24 hours to respond with their decision.

### **From the Director of Food Service**

The past week ended with several new menu items added to the menu. The middle schools tested out Turkey Street Tacos with Cilantro-Lime rice, Grilled Chicken Cobb salad, Southwest Turkey Enchiladas and Buffalo Chicken Legs. All new items were well received by the students.

The food truck plans will be delivered to the Health Dept. this week and progress is on-going for completion.