Special Education Updates

Meeting of the Community Advisory Committee for Special Education 5/13/24

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Extended School Year

Summer Learning Basics

Dates and Times

Grades PK-8: June 3-July 5 (no school Juneteenth and July 4)

Grades 9-YA: June 3-June 28 (no school Juneteenth)

ESY Program Hours: 8:30-12:30 Daily

Optional Enrichment Hours: 12:30-5 Daily

Hub Sites, Staffing, & Other Details

- Students will be assigned to a hub site based on the following priorities:
- 1st: keeping school-year classrooms together whenever possible;
- **2nd**: keeping students together with peers from the school that they attend during the regular year.

Invitations

- The last possible day to enroll for ESY is May 20th. The deadline for transportation has already passed, so anyone who enrolls late can request mileage reimbursement only.
- The Department's staff have confirmed most class rosters and staff and will tell families their child's specific ESY information by May 20th.

Locations

Because enrollment is a bit lower than expected, we have combined some locations. ESY will be held at the following school sites:

- i. Elementary: Bridges, Sankofa, Franklin, Laurel and Munck
- ii. Middle: Bret Harte
- iii. High: Oakland High School
- iv. ECE: Burbank and Kaiser
- v. YAP: YAP @ Santa Fe

Graduation & Promotion Ceremonies and Celebrations: **Access and Accessibility** for **Disabled** Students

Universal Access

<u>Every</u> student has the right to participate in graduation and promotion celebrations and ceremonies. This may include, but is not limited to:

- a. Attending dances or assemblies
- b. Walking the stage
- c. Attending grad nights, senior picnics, or senior trips

Specialized Support

Some students may need specialized support to participate meaningfully and safely in promotion/graduation activities.

IEP teams should discuss specific plans for access.

The Special Education Department can provide pay for staff to stay beyond their regular work day to provide support during events. 2024-25 School Year: Things to Look Forward To

Year Two of TeachTown

TeachTown is our curriculum for students with Moderate-Extensive Support Needs (ESNs). We had many successes during our first year of implementation and will refine our focus for next year. Our 2024-25 foci will be:

- i. Designated English Language Development (ELD)
- ii. Secondary TeachTown BASICS Usage Increase

Technology Enhancements

- a. We're providing new interactive whiteboards for all K-8 moderate-extensive support needs programs and for all 9-12 M/ESN programs who requested one.
- b. We're providing a new touchscreen all-in-one computer for each M/ESN program.
- c. We're providing a set of switches, headphones, and cause-and-effect toys for all M/ESN programs.

Sensory Enhancements

- a. To supplement our existing sensory tools and materials, we're providing a classroom sensory bin for every self-contained mild-moderate, moderate, and extensive support needs self-contained program.
- b. We've prepared individual student "go bags," as well, to support regulation during general education inclusion.