

TRANSITION TO MIDDLE SCHOOL PROGRAMMING IN THE DW POPPY COMMUNITY

TRANSITION COMMITTEE MEETING NO. 3

Wednesday, November 22, 2017

DW Poppy Secondary Learning Commons

WELCOME





Middle School Pillars & Core Values

INTEGRITY COMMUNITY EXCELLENCE COURAGE Staff know each student Support for Transition Staff are committed to Explorations middle level instruction Connections between Advisory – Opportunities · Every child participates in are created to form lone. · Staff are committed to Elementary and Middle explorations schools are encouraged term relationships with a work as a team to build and Explorations are organized and supported staff member and students implement an integrated to facilitate the discovery of of various ages. A forum is Middle Years program · Students are nurtured personal skills and strengths created to discuss relevant in their journey from · Teachers have opportunities Diverse poportunities will and current topics and childhood to adolescence to teach to their strengths be created based on the curriculum Communication and Teacher collaboration is interests of the students · Staff understand the needs connections are promoted provided through common and the strengths and skills of adolescents between Middle and planning time within the community · All staff provide for Secondary schools students' intellectual. ethical, social, emotional and physical growth and Relevant instruction well being Instruction utilizing School is a safe place · Each child has an adult interdisciplinary units and to learn advocate on staff; someone inquiry is common. who knows each child There is acceptance . Learning is engaging and personally and support for student experiential differences including Curriculum provides cultures, languages, sexual relevant and challenging Connectedness orientation, and abilities learning opportunities · Students and staff feel Students and staff feel Scheduling, curriculum. physically and emotionally connected to the school instruction and assessment · Students feel connected to are organized for maximum others in different grade Code of Conduct is clear flexibility levels and consistently applied · Families play an integral It is a closed campus; role in the life of the school students remain on school erounds throughout the day . The community is involved in the school

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 The school is integral part of the community

SHAPE OF THE EVENING

- Updates
- Committee Work
- K-5 Possibilities



UPDATES

- BCIT
- Building Committee
- Report to the Board of Education







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THEMES

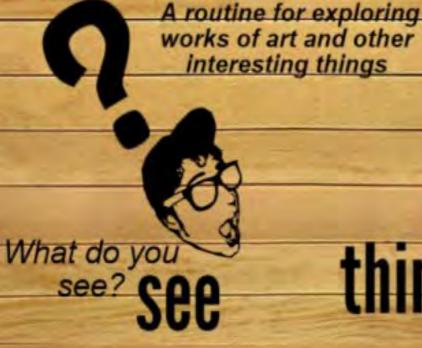
- Athletics (Clint)
- Arts (Cathy)
- Outdoor Learning (Dianne)
- Explorations (Gord)

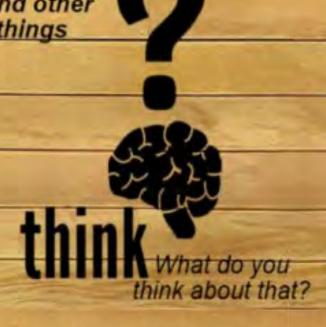
- Learning Commons (Chris)
- Open Learning Spaces (George and Scott)
- Playground (Nathan)
- Scheduling (Dean)

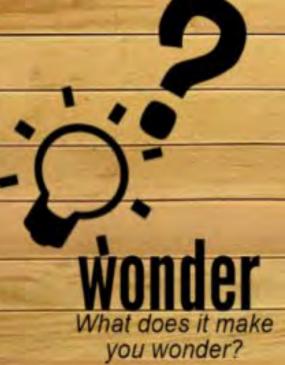
FEEDBACK



Visible Thinking Routines







CHALK TALK - PROCESS

- Decide on ONE key question for your group
- Each person write as many ideas, thoughts or questions as you can
- If you agree with an idea recognize that with a symbol (i.e., star)



- See if you can link ideas as you think more deeply about the question
- All done without talking

CHALK TALK

- How do we maintain and improve the music and theatre programs that are currently happening at DW Poppy?
- How do we engage the community through athletics?
- What are some potential explorations we could offer at DWP that would help students re-connect with the local community?

CHALK TALK

How do we meet the educational needs of a Middle School and create common learning spaces, then create the same for the Secondary School as students now learn in this modern, collaborative style?

How will the creation of outdoor educational learning spaces benefit both the secondary and middle school?

CHALK TALK

What questions or thoughts do you have about a middle school playground at Poppy?

What ideas or questions should we consider about scheduling?

CHALK TALK – PROCESS

- Move to another table with your team
- Each person write as many ideas, thoughts or questions as you can
- If you agree with an idea recognize that with a symbol (i.e., star)



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WORKING GROUPS

- Review learning from last time and the feedback from other teams (chalk talk)
- Identify achievable goals or targets as a team (i.e., building partnerships with community members – funding and support)
- Brainstorm ideas around options or programs within your theme (i.e., what might it look like for our students at Poppy Middle?)
- Create a plan of action by gathering ideas and assigning roles and responsibilities



BOARD OF EDUCATION MOTION: K-5

"That the Board of Education directs staff to report back to the Board by **December 2017 on facility implications for the elementary schools** in the DW Poppy zone by transitioning to a Kindergarten to Grade 5 education delivery model."

"That the Board of Education directs staff to include representation from **Coghlan Elementary as part of the DW Poppy Transition Committee** and report back to the Board by December 2017 with an implementation plan to transition Coghlan to a Kindergarten to Grade 5 model."

"That the Board of Education directs staff to report back to the Board by December 2017 on facility **implications for Coghlan Fundamental Elementary School** by transitioning to a Kindergarten to Grade 5 education delivery model."

TRANSITIONING TO K-5

What makes a successful K-5 elementary school?

■ What ideas can we come up with to ensure all our K-5 elementary schools are sustainable over time?



Please provide your feedback and thoughts about the process to this point wbradford@sd35.bc.ca