



BOARD MEETING RECAP

Reopening Plan Update Members of the Board of Education formally affirmed the [2020-2021 Shawnee Mission School District reopening plan](#). Board President Heather Ousley read a [resolution outlining the affirmation of the plan](#).

This week, families will be asked to submit their selection for the learning model for their child(ren) for the first semester. Superintendent Dr. Mike Fulton reiterated that with either option, there will be assessments, grades, attendance, and regular contact with Shawnee Mission School District teachers.

There will be two learning models to choose from: **In-Person Learning** (based on COVID-19 conditions and gating criteria as defined by county health officials, and our ability to ensure the safety of students and staff) and **Remote Learning** where students will be assigned to a remote learning Shawnee Mission School District teacher and will remain in that remote class for the semester.

Families are encouraged to be on the lookout for information about making this selection in their email inbox. Shawnee Mission staff will also be following up with families and will work to get in touch with families new to the district and families of Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten students to solidify their selections.

Calendar Change: Board members also approved a [revised 2020-2021 school calendar](#).

This calendar includes multiple adjustments including, but not limited to, changes to the first days of school for students being moved to after Labor Day. Staff and families are encouraged to [review the updated calendar closely](#) as it includes multiple changes throughout the year in order to accommodate not only the late start, but several parameters that must be followed in order to revise the school district calendar.

Revisions to the district calendar were made following parameters determined by state statute (which requires 1,116 hours of instruction time), and consultation with NEA Shawnee Mission.

Approval of Professional Negotiated Agreement: Board of Education members approved a Professional Negotiated Agreement (PNA) for July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2020 between the Shawnee Mission School District and NEA Shawnee Mission, contingent upon ratification of the PNA by NEA SM. [A Redline PNA for Ratification and Tentative PNA pending ratification can be viewed here.](#)

Board Policy Approvals The Board of Education held a second reading and approved the following policies:

[Revised Board Policy AC: Non-Discrimination](#)

The Board approved the deletion of six policies because the content of the policies was moved into a consolidated non-discrimination policy, Policy AC.

[Approval of Revised Board Policy GAE: Complaints](#)

[Approval of Revised Board Policy JBCB: In-District Transfers](#)

[Approval of Revised Board Policy JCE: Complaints](#)

[Approval of Revised Board Policy KN: Complaints](#)

Extension of Pickup and Go Meals Free Pickup and Go Meals provided by Shawnee Mission School District Food Service will continue to be provided to students through August 21, 2020. Breakfasts and lunches will be served starting at 10:30 a.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays at Comanche, Rosehill, and Shawanoe Elementary Schools and Hocker Grove Middle School.

Food Service and numerous staff members, volunteers, and community partners have dedicated a remarkable amount of time and energy to feeding children this summer. They have made sure thousands of meals have gotten to the students who need them. This is a tremendous ongoing effort and our community thanks everyone who continues to make it possible. [Click here for more information about Pickup and Go Meals.](#)

Congratulations Class of 2020 This month, with great pride, we celebrated the graduation of the Class of 2020. It was a joy for the Shawnee Mission community to recognize these students and take the time to honor all they accomplished. Shawnee Mission thanks everyone at our high schools and throughout our community who made this possible. [The videos of each ceremony will continue to be available online, and broadcast on local channels.](#)



Special Education Celebrations

Shawnee Mission also recognizes students who have completed their time receiving Post-High Transition Services, along with the most recent group of Project SEARCH students. The Post-High program provides individually-designed services to students after high

school through the age of 21. The program focuses on preparing students to live as independent adults in the community as well as increasing their vocational skill levels. Project SEARCH is a business-led work transition program where students work in partnership with AdventHealth to build their employability and independent-living skills. The students and staff from these programs provided virtual recognitions for the students and Shawnee Mission congratulates them on their accomplishment.

Teachers and Librarians Launch New Resource Page There are still a few weeks left for summer reading, and a new resource was launched in the last few weeks to provide ideas for possible selections. This summer, a group of librarians and teachers worked together to build a webpage dedicated to connecting our community to books that promote and celebrate diversity and inclusion. These resources feature authors, individuals, and characters representing and celebrating various cultures, experiences, and identities. Superintendent Fulton shared appreciation for the work educators have done to help students, staff, and families listen, learn, and grow. [Click here to visit the page.](#)

John McKinney Social Work Recognition The Kansas School Social Workers Association presented Dr. John McKinney, director of family and student services, the 2020 Champion for Children award. The award recognizes a non-school social worker who supports the school social work profession and demonstrates dedication in promoting social work services in schools. Several Shawnee Mission School District social workers contacted KSSWA to offer their nominations and endorsements in favor of McKinney receiving the honor.

This publication, provided after each Shawnee Mission Board of Education meeting, provides a recap of some actions taken by the Shawnee Mission Board of Education and information about

activities happening in the school district. An archive video of the workshop and regular meeting can be found here. Links to board policies, agendas, and meeting minutes can be found here.