

Board Connections

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Marine View Student Presentation

Marine View Principal Sarah Schaible discussed the school's growing Woodshop and Industrial Tech programs. Marine View provides students with diverse experiences, from the use of hand tools to digital design and programming. They have 3-D printers, laser engravers, CNC routers and more, which allow students to develop and design a wide variety of projects. Isabella Parra, an 8th grade student, spoke about the positive experiences and life-long skills she has gained in the school's Woodshop program.



California School Dashboard

Dr. Julianne Hoefer, Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services, provided the Board with a review of OVSD's CA School Dashboard results for academic performance, chronic absenteeism, English learner progress, and suspension rate. She also discussed our Smarter Balanced Assessments in English language arts and mathematics. The Board of Trustees will use the data for upcoming goal setting. See presentation here.

Construction Update

Mr. Jim Choate, Executive Director of Facilities, provided a Measure R modernization update. Vista View has been completed except for a couple of final finishes that were delayed by supply chain issues; the Star View modernization is progressing nicely with sitework and construction in full progress; and Mesa View interior design renderings, along with samples of flooring and finishes, were presented. Mr. Choate reviewed all the projects that Measure R has funded over the past five years as well. See presentation here.

School Consolidation

Dr. Michael Conroy, Superintendent, reviewed the challenges facing the District due to declining enrollment and its impact on student learning and achievement. In the past 10 years, OVSD has lost 2,609 students. This is the largest decline in student enrollment in the last 40 years, and the District is projected to decline another 233 students next year. Declining enrollment impacts everything from District income, staffing, facility usage, categorical funding, and how classes are configured in our schools. In addition, we are operating a number of very small schools which affects the quality of education we provide our students. There are many advantages of running larger elementary and middle schools for both staff and students. The Board identified Student Achievement and School Consolidation as their top two priorities this year. The task at hand will be for the Board to determine the location and number of school sites OVSD should have for optimum student learning and achievement now, and in the next 5-10 years. Dr. Conroy and Executive Cabinet's recommendation for school consolidation are as follows:

- Spring View potentially repurpose to an elementary school and relocate middle school students
- Circle View potentially close and relocate students
- Village View potentially close and relocate students
- Golden View potentially close and relocate students

A Districtwide staff meeting via Zoom will be held on Thursday at 4:00 p.m., and community meetings will be held at the following schools:

- February 21 at 6:00 pm Circle View Multi-Purpose Room
- February 22 at 6:00 pm Village View Multi-Purpose Room
- February 23 at 6:00 pm Spring View Gym
- February 27 at 6:00 pm Golden View Multi-Purpose Room

Feedback will be gathered from the meetings and presented to a Board Subcommittee on School Consolidation for consideration. The Superintendent and Subcommittee will make a school consolidation recommendation for Board Action at an upcoming meeting. See presentation here.