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District Advisory Committee (DAC) Meeting

September 18, 2024, 6:00pm

Agenda



Welcome and Introductions

Brittany Foley, DAC Executive Board Chair

DAC Delegate Testimonials (up to 3)

Presentations

Dr. Jennifer Collier – Superintendent

Josh Jackaway, Jamekia Kendrix – KCPS Board of Directors

Dr. LaTanya Franklin – Update: Grading Policy

Richard Lindell, David Dinges – Update: Transportation

Nicole Collier-White – Update: 10-Year Capital Funding Plan

DACX - Committee Announcements

DAC Engagement

Introduction of Officers

Mission and Priorities

Discussion Topics: SpEd learners & creating/assisting successful parental organizations

Adjourn Meeting



Brittany Foley

DAC Chair

Welcome and Introductions

DAC Executive Board 2024-25

The DAC is led by a board of seven executive board officers (DACX) and comprised primarily of school-based delegates.

- Brittany D. Foley – Chairperson
- Ashley Johnson – Vice Chairperson
- Michelle Abubaker – Recording Secretary
- Janai Nolan – Corresponding Secretary
- Shantee' Carey – Treasurer
- Steve Burton – Parliamentarian
- Bipashwi Uprety – Member-at-Large



DAC Testimonials

(up to 3)

Please keep to 3-5 minutes.

Online participants, please raise your hand and request to be taken off mute, OR share your testimonial into the chat





Dr. Jennifer Collier Superintendent of Schools



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Josh Jackaway
Jamekia Kendrix
KCPS Board of Directors

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Dr. LaTanya Franklin

Chief Academic Officer

Grading Policy Review

Grading Policy: 2024-25

Review Grading Policy 2024-25 Document: Grading Categories, Grading Scales, Grading Policy

Updates from the Pilot Implementation:

- Missing assignments will receive a zero, but attempted work that did not pass will receive a minimum grade of 40%.
- Middle Years Program, IB Program, Dual Credit and Advanced Placement Courses will follow the traditional 100-point grading scale.

Share your feedback





Richard Lindell
Zum Regional Manager
David Dinges
Director, Transportation

Transportation Updates



Modernizing Student Transportation

KCPS - District Advisory Committee Meeting

Transportation Update: Week 4

Sept. 18, 2024



Transportation Update: Week 4



- 100% of all routes covered
- Zero driver shortage!
- 4.6 (of 5-Star) Parent Rating
- 4,646 x 5-Star Ratings



100%
Routes Covered

4.6 / 5
Parent Rating

5,781
Parent Using Zum
App

4,646
5-Star Parent
Ratings

Endorsed by KCPS parents and schools:

“ Our Zum driver is very professional and kind.
The app is great, and I love the text confirmations.



Performance Summary

Week 4: (9/18/24)



Week 4 Performance Data (9/18/24)

- 97,000+ miles safely driven
- 4.6 (of 5-Star) Parent Rating
- 4,646 x 5-Star Parent Ratings in first 4 weeks
- 5,780+ Parents Using Zum App (approx. 66%)

Unique Rides	Miles Safely Driven	Avg. Parent Rating	Parents Using App Week 1	5-Star Parent Ratings
11,087	97,043	4.6 (of 5) ★	5,781	4,646 ★

Endorsed by KCPS parents and schools:

“ Our Zum driver was very welcoming to our daughter on her first day of school and her first time on a school bus! Thank you.



Celebrations: Strong Start from Day One

- **100% coverage of all routes with extra drivers, monitors**
- **Brand new fleet of buses** with top of the line equipment for safety and comfort, including AC
- **Zum App Usage:** 5,781 (approx. 66%) of transportation families are using the App
 - 2,938 parents have not yet downloaded the App - KCPS and Zum are reaching out directly to encourage App usage, where applicable
- **Strong collaborative partnership between KCPS & Zum** - committed to delivering excellent service for students, families, and schools

Challenges

- **New registrations** - Over 2,000 new students registered for transportation after the start of school and have been added to routes
- **Route Compression** - Adjusting routes to alleviate compression in tier 2 and tier 3 routes to improve on time performance for delayed routes
- **Conflicting Trip** - Prioritizing home to school routes, and limiting trips (athletics and field trips) that conflict with prime time routes

Actions Underway for Continuous Improvement

- **Daily Route Monitoring and Driver Feedback:** Analyzing live data and feedback to continuously improve efficiency, safety, on time performance
- **Daily Report** - Summary report of buses that are 15+ minutes late presented daily to leadership
- **Route Compression:** Analyzing live data for each tier/route to eliminate compression in Tier 2 and Tier 3 routes
- **Expanding Fleet- Additional Buses:** Zum is sending additional buses to help eliminate compression in Tier 2 and Tier 3 routes
- **Coordination with the KCPS Transportation Team:** Zūm & KCPS transportation team are collaborating closely to ensure timely processing of student and route updates based on priority. This includes updating student assignments, transportation addresses, and stops, as well as identifying programs that require scheduling.

Commitment to Service Excellence

- **Continuing to monitor ridership data and removing stops without ridership**
- **Addressing highest needs routes to get everything on time**
- **Understanding data to ensure all students are routed accurately**
- **Goal of achieving:**
 - **98% on time performance**
 - **4.9 (of 5-Star) parent rating**



Questions

Questions & discussion

Zum App for Parent / Guardians



We encourage all parents / guardians to download the Zum App.



Download the
Zūm app for parents



Parent Goals

Who is driving my child?

Is my child's bus on time?

Did my child arrive at school safely and on time?

Rate the ride experience

Zūm capability

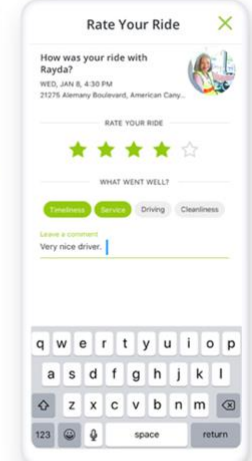
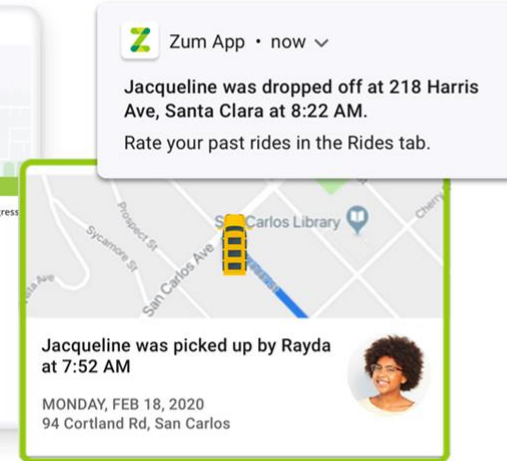
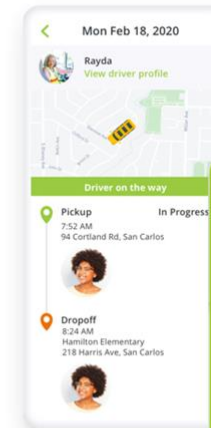
Vehicle information and driver profile shared

Real time bus location & ETA

Pick up and drop off notifications via the App

Opportunity to give feedback via reviews

Zūm platform components/modules



Parent App





Nicole Collier-White

Chief of Communications &
Community Engagement

10-Year Capital Funding Plan

Building the Blueprint

KCPS is embarking on a significant effort to improve our school facilities, something we haven't done at this scale in more than 30 years.

A General Obligation (GO) Bond is the primary way school districts fund facility improvements and repairs.

Did you know?



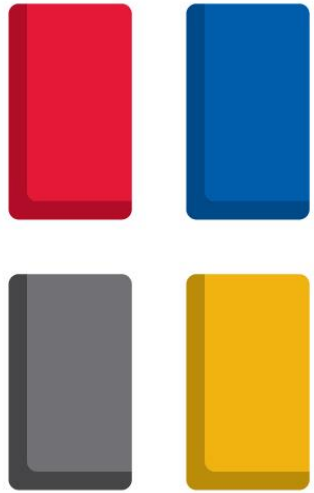
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last time voters approved a KCPS bond issue



KCPS is the only Missouri school district in this region

***without
voter-approved
bond funding***

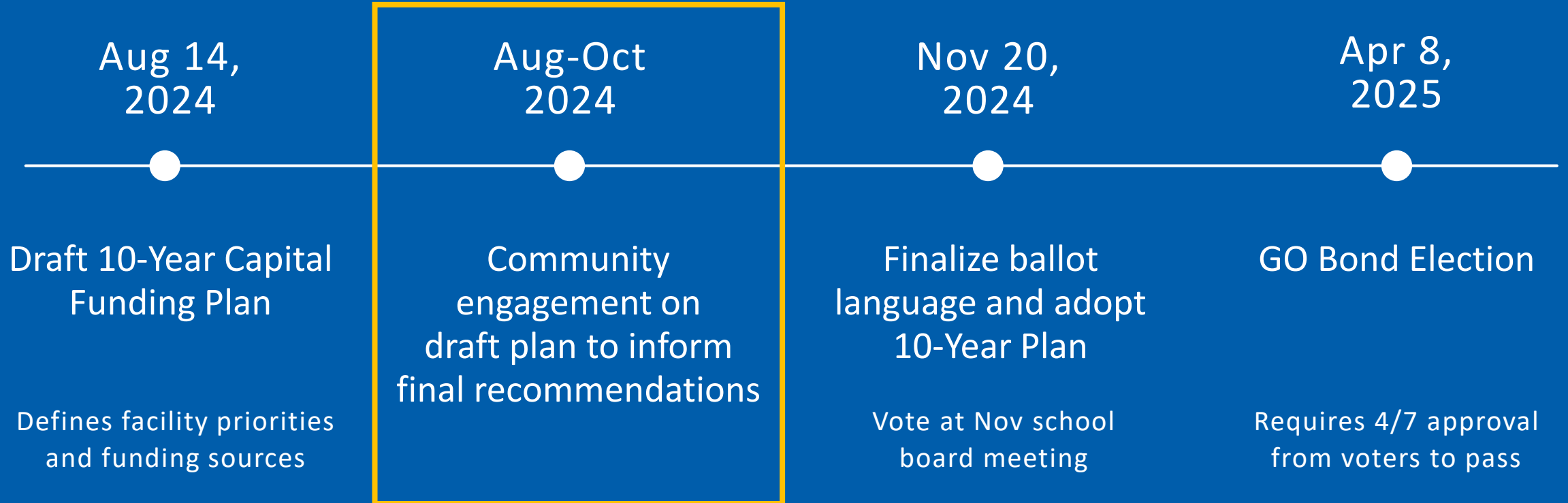


Building *the Blueprint*

Investing in Kansas City Kids

School Tour Video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_FH5L86bl-o

KEY MILESTONES



Please Share Your Feedback:

What repairs/renovations would you prioritize to improve the building condition and the learning environment at your school?

What questions do you have about the draft plan/GO Bond?



<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/KCPSBond>

Please complete survey by October 15.



Upcoming Dates to Remember

- **Today – Oct 18:** School-based discussions continue
- **Tue, Oct 29:** Open House #3 (updates to draft plan presented)
- **Wed, Nov 20:** Board vote on 10-Year Capital Funding Plan and ballot language
- **Tue, Apr 8, 2025: Public vote on KCPS General Obligation (GO) Bond**

Draft Plan details can be viewed at:

<https://www.kcpublicschools.org/bond/capital-planning>



Brittany Foley

DAC Chair

DACX Committee Announcements



Thank You

Meeting recording and presentation slides will be available next week at:

www.kcpublicschools.org/dac

DAC Engagement Session

- 1) Re-introduction of Officers
- 2) DAC Mission and Priorities
- 3) Discussion Topics:
 - * SpED Learners
 - * Creating/assisting successful parental organizations at each KCPS campus