From: Ben Rarick
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To: TSD Staff <TSDStaff@tumwater.k12.wa.us>
Subject: TSD Migration to Qmlative - Status & Next Steps

Dear TSD staff:

The Tumwater School District will be transitioning to the new ***Qmlativ*** software this summer, which is an upgrade to the outdated Skyward Suite being phased out by the WSIPC Collaborative. Tumwater and Olympia are part of the cohort of districts making the transition this summer. North Thurston and Yelm moved to Qmlativ last summer. We've learned a lot from the experiences of others.

One "lesson learned" from other districts is to communicate early and often. Accordingly, we hope to keep you apprised what's happening, why it's happening, and how you can prepare. Here is a summary of where we are:

WHAT IS HAPPENING?

Virtually all school districts in the state are transitioning from the legacy education management software program called Skyward to an updated and modernized system called ***Qmlativ***. Tumwater is part of the part of a group to migrate this summer, and has been working with ESD113 for two years to review and restructure our data for a smooth transition.

WHEN IS THIS HAPPENING?

The current Skyward system will "go dark" during the period of June 26 – July 11, and the new ***Qmlativ*** system will go live thereafter, in preparation for the beginning of the 2025-26 school year. Access to the system will be restored to different district users after the migration with full access available by end of July.

WHO IS IMPACTED?

Everyone who currently uses Skyward is impacted in some way, with some impacted more than others. Teacher grading and attendance procedures are different, as well

as registration, finance, and HR functionality, and more. Parents will also use a new interface. If you use Skyward now, you'll need to use Qmlative in the future. Familiarize yourself starting now, and click here to read more.

ARE YOU PROVIDING TRAINING? Yes. In addition to the training videos available, our Data and Financial Services team has been working with affected employee groups to arrange trainings and walk-throughs tailored to their needs. Read about those efforts here. We are also hiring teacher-trainers to provide teachers a knowledgeable colleague to go to for information and assistance after migration.

HOW CAN I PREPARE? The link below (titled: "what can I be doing?") provides a few practical facts, dates, and pointers for each employee group at this stage of the migration. Example – teacher-trainers are currently prepping for a May 9th workshop that will help plan the training that will be offered to all staff at Tumwater University in August.

If you have questions about the migration, please contract our project leaders:

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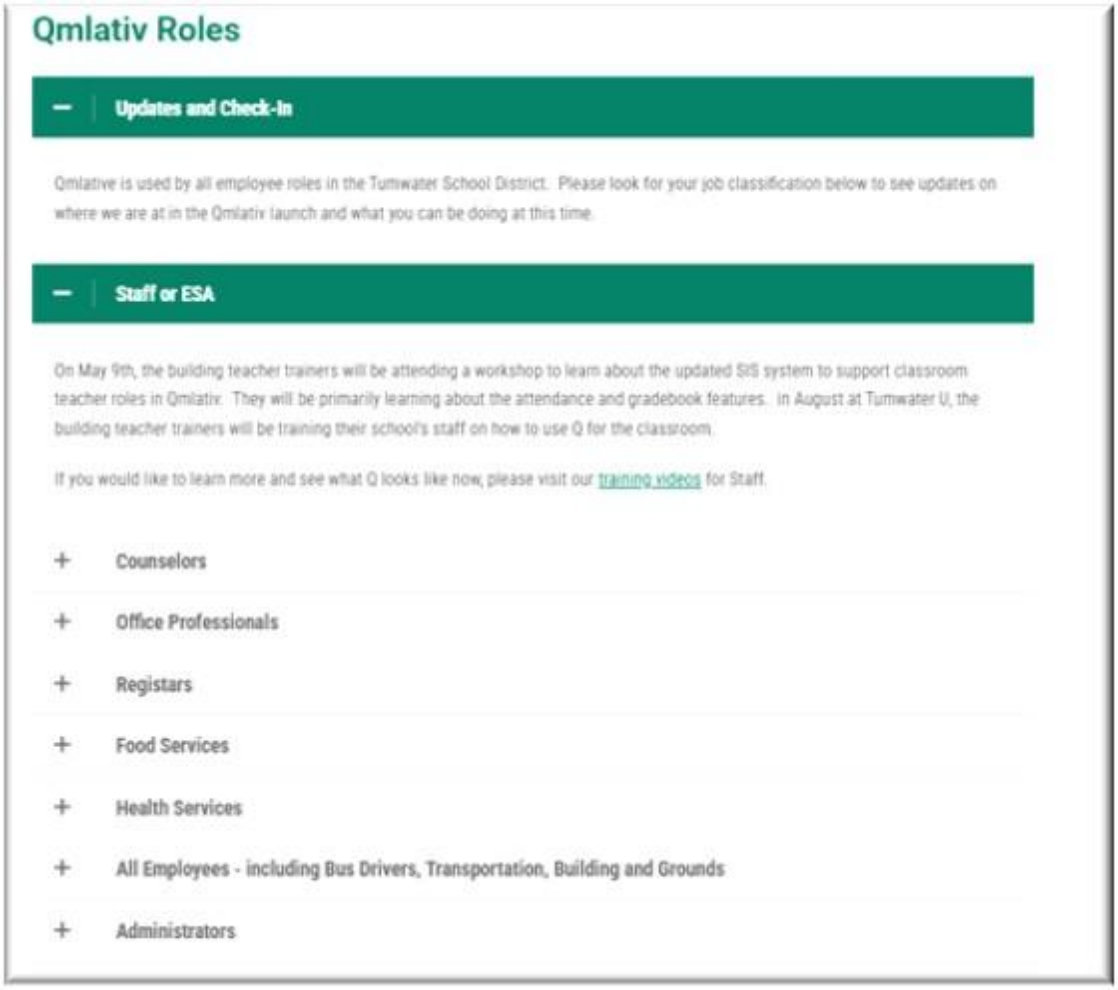
Thank You!

Ben Rarick, Assistant Superintendent

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Resources:

Qmlative Roles: Transition - What can I be doing? - Tumwater School District #33



Q Overview: https://youtu.be/K014AmqabjM

Qmlativ Overview

