

Community Schools Advisory Council



Ronda Evans, Director of Community Schools

December 5, 2025
8:30 am-11:30 am

**Spanish Translation
Available**





Welcome!
Eureka City Schools Community Schools

Advisory Council #15

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Centering our Work

8:30 - 8:40 am

We begin by acknowledging that Eureka City School District and its schools are on the unceded territory and ancestral homeland of the Wiyot people, who are still here and who continue to remain in relationship to these lands through ceremony, culture, and who are the past, present and future stewards of this land.

To recognize the land is an expression of gratitude and appreciation to those whose homelands we reside on and is a recognition of the original people and nations who have been living and working on the land since time immemorial.

Call to action: Supporting local Native American Communities through honor tax is a step I am committed to taking as an individual.

In my role as an educator I commit to centering Native Youth and Families by continuing to amplify and support culturally responsive teaching practices in our schools.

<https://www.honortax.org/>





Group Norms:

- Share the Air
- Practice and model what we are wanting to create
- Recognize you positional power
- Welcome personal reflection in this process
- Practice Listening
- Provide space FIRST to people and families most impacted by the necessity of the work of Community Schools



Whole Child

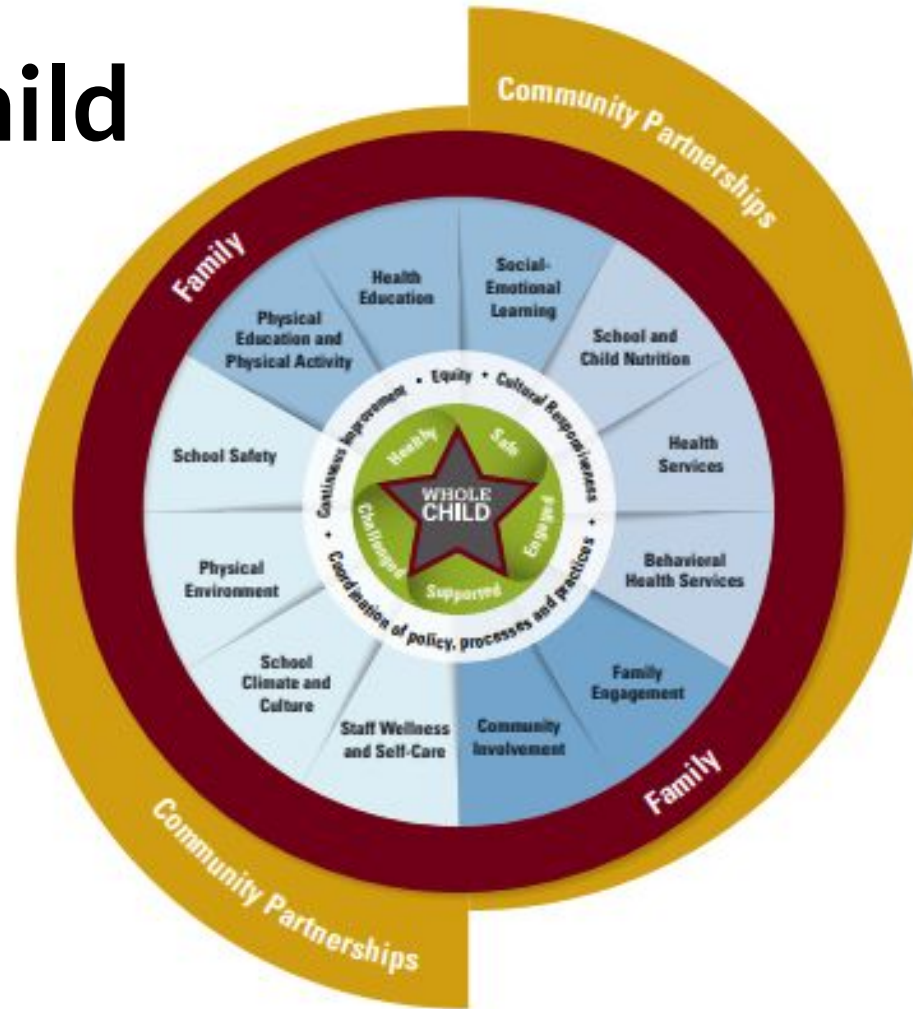
- Safe
- Engaged
- Healthy
- Challenged
- Supported

Coordination of:

- Policies
- Processes
- Practices

Commitment to:

- Equity
- Cultural Responsiveness
- Continuous Improvement



Goal:
Working
together
with families
&
Community
Partners to
improve
the lives
of all
of our
students.

A community school strategy transforms a school into a place where educators, local community members, families, and students work together to strengthen conditions for student learning and healthy development. As partners, they organize in-and-out of school resources, supports, and opportunities so that young people thrive.

-Community Schools Forward, 2023

Four Pillars of Community Schools



Introductions

8:40 - 9:00



Your Name...

Organization...

A goal for your attendance here today...

Community Schools Updates

9:00-9:25

Every Learner, Every Day: Engaged, Empowered, and Future-Ready



ZOE BARNUM



WHERE BEARS BELONG

MTSS REFERRALS

12

WELL SPACE ACCESS

120

**Family and student
engagement night**

60

**CHECK AND
CONNECT - 24**



JOIN US FOR

Zoe Barnum

FALL FEAST





Wellness Center Usage

606



MTSS Referrals

147



Family Engagement

34

Check & Connect

62





Student Engagement: Lunch 33



- What worked well?

"A specific element that made this unit work very well was the team work we had. We were able to divide and conquer with the jobs that were needed and everyone did an amazing job..."

- What is something you would change?

"Having a google form to help organize who refs or score keeps which courts, which days to make sure we don't have to worry about not having enough crew one day."

- Are there other sports you want this school year?

Futsal, Flag Football, Relay Races, Ping Pong

ZANE MIDDLE SCHOOL

QUARTERLY UPDATE

MTSS
REFERRALS

64

CHECK &
CONNECT

21

WELL
SPACE

449

FAMILY
ENGAGEMENT

18

STUDENT
SUCCESS CENTER

112





Zane's school governance committees, watch us grow!

PTSA has tripled in size, ELAC is forming starting with Listening sessions, School Site Council has grown teaming up with student leadership.

Zane School Garden has teamed up with the 8th Grade Art classes to create murals around each garden bed.

Hawai'i Visit!!!

The Hawai'i State Department of Education gave Zane a visit to see an example of implementation of Community Schools!



Mahalo!



A Hui Ho!



Zane clubs are thriving!

Creating momentum and a growing sense of community. We are witnessing students taking initiative on creating what they want to see change on campus.



Winship Middle School - 428 Students

Quarterly Data Review

- MTSS Referrals - 115
- Check & Connect Students - 28
- WellSpace Access - 327
- Family Engagement -250
- Student Success Center -121

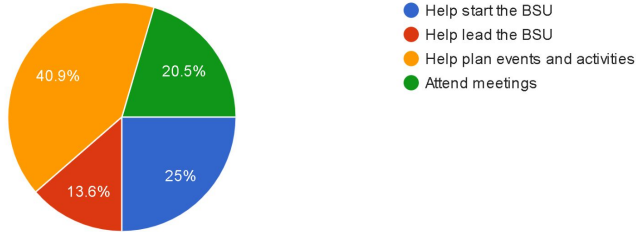


Winship Quarterly Updates: Family and Student Engagement

BSU Student Interest Survey

What would you like to do in the BSU

44 responses



ELAC Meeting Feedback 10/7/2025 & 11/4/2025

Parent Ideas & Suggestions

- **Better Communication:** Stronger communication between teachers and families.
- **More Support:** Additional help for teachers and students; fair pay for teachers.
- **Parent Involvement:** Encourage families to participate more in their child's education.
- **Trust & Belonging:** Build understanding, confidence, and a sense of belonging.
- **Technology Control:** Improve oversight and use of technology in the classroom.

Winship Events

WINSHIP MIDDLE SCHOOL IS CELEBRATING 2025 RUBY BRIDGES WALK TO SCHOOL DAY

Ruby Bridges Walk to School Day celebrates courage, equality, and the power of students to make a difference. Join us on November 14 as we honor Ruby's legacy by walking to school together in unity.

Meet November 14th, 2025 at 7:45 am at Sequoia Park

Hot Cocoa will be served for participants in the library around 8:15 am



JOIN US FOR WINSHIP CONVIVIO NIGHT

Friday, November 14th
5:30-7:30

Free dinner for first 30 people, plus childcare and performances for all. Spanish interpreters available.

Cultural & Community Connection Night

Cumbra Hamboldt: Leading the conversation, lifting our community.

Presented in partnership with HOPE, Centro del Pueblo, and First 5 Humboldt. Plus, explore resources from additional community partners listed at the event.

Common Theme

Parents want **stronger school-home connections** through better communication, teacher support, and family involvement to foster trust and belonging.

Accessibility & Inclusion - We provide **interpreters at school events** to ensure all families can participate and feel welcomed but need to advertise more that we have interpreters available

Washington Elementary Quarterly Data Review

Hello, just checking

Total of Students:

435

WellSpace Access

102

MTSS Referrals

51

Check & Connect Students:
Students

25

Staff Engagement

37

Family Engagement
(Back-To-School Packet help)

25



Washington Elementary

Home of the Otters

What's Happening in 2025/2026

Washington Elementary's upcoming focus areas include Student Leadership, Playworks, and the Attendance Campaign. In addition, we are assisting families by finalizing applications for Toys for Tots and the Salvation Army.



Trunk or Treat



Attendance Campaign

Washington will be hiring a new attendance clerk who will work alongside Jenny, the Chronic Absenteeism Social Worker, and the CSL as part of the Attendance Campaign.



Trunk or Treat

Leadership

Student Leadership will kick off the year by launching Playworks – a program designed to help kids stay active, build teamwork, and have fun during recess.



Staff Engagement

Feedback

This year was a success thanks to our Trunk or Treat event, Friday Food Bag program, staff engagement activities, Halloween costume distribution, and continued partnership with the Salvation Army.



Friday Food Bag

QUARTERLY DATA



MTSS 39

Well Space Access 275

Student Check and Connect 33

Family Engagement Attendance 134



FAMILY AND STUDENT ENGAGEMENT

What families have said and how we have responded.

Listening Sessions & ELAC Parent Groups

In partnership with True North Organizing, Families asked for more opportunities to meet and engage with each other, and to get information from the school.

Check and Connect

Regular weekly check-ins with our housing insecure students, include 1:1 relationship building and resource support outreach.

Recess Reboot and Student Clubs

Its all about encouraging healthy play and building positive systems that support both students and staff during recess.

The goal is to create a strong sense of community and belonging at Lafayette by making recess a space for fun, safe, and active play.

Lafayette Elementary

LAFAYETTE ELEMENTARY
! JOIN US FOR OUR RECESS REBOOT !

VOLUNTEER

Building Community Through Play at Lafayette:

Recess Reboot is all about healthy, fun, and inclusive play! We're working to create a positive, supportive environment during recess that helps both students and staff thrive.

♥ Let's make recess a place where every child feels seen, safe, and ready to play. ♥

What We're About

- Encouraging safe, active, and structured play
- Supporting students in positive interactions
- Fostering a sense of belonging and community
- Helping staff by being an extra set of hands and eyes on the playground



Who Parents, guardians, community members - everyone is welcome! Your presence makes a difference! Whether you're leading a game, being a role model, or just offering encouragement, you'll be helping create a better recess experience for everyone.

Interested? Please contact:

CSL Shakira Reyes - Reyess@karekacityschools.org



2025/ 2026

Where: Lafayette Elementary



05 DEC

ELAC LAFAYETTE ELEMENTARY

ENGLISH LANGUAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

POTLUCK

BRING A DISH TO SHARE!

FOOD & DRINK | COMMUNITY

IN THE LIBRARY

DECEMBER 5TH

7:00 - 8:30PM

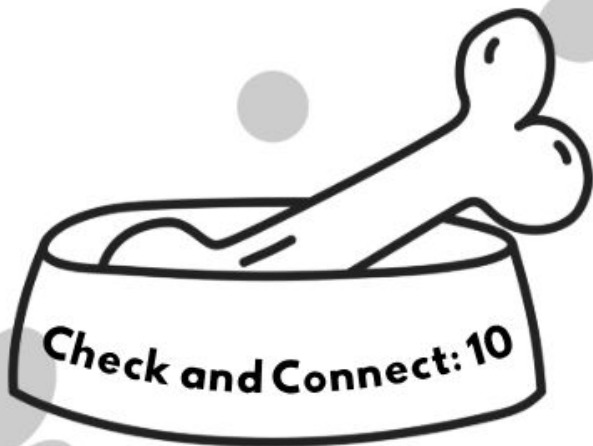
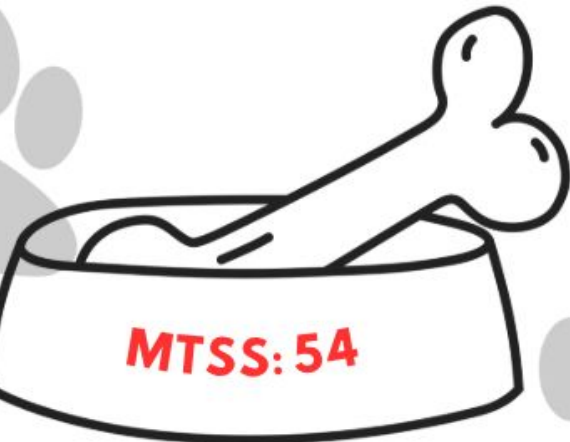
CHILD CARE IN ROOM 2 - SPANISH INTERPRETATION

Parent Square ELD group QR code

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL CSL
SHAKIRA REYES (707) 441 - 3320



Quarterly Data Review





FAMILY AND STUDENT ENGAGEMENT

New Programs for 2025/2026



Nutrition & Garden Program

Beginning January 2026, Grant Elementary, in partnership with a Grant parent and UC Davis, will launch a Nutrition and Garden Program where 5th grade students will participate in a hands-on nutrition course aligned with state standards using the school garden for all core subjects, and TK-5th grade students will have the opportunity to join a weekly Garden Club that promotes learning, wellness, and teamwork.

New Partnerships and Clubs

Weekly Lego Club: Eureka High juniors and seniors will visit Grant weekly to run a Lego Club for TK and Kindergarten students.

French Club: Based on student feedback, a French Club will be offered twice a week. Students will learn basic conversational French to practice introductions and interact with one another.

Alice Birney Quarterly Data



57

MTSS
Referrals

51

Students on Check
and Connect

Students who accessed
the Well Space

150

118

Family Engagement
Attendance

Alice Birney Family & Student Engagement

Student Clubs and Leadership

- Student Leadership planned an exciting Red Ribbon Week, with dress up days, lunch time activities, and led the Drug Free pledge in classrooms.
- Lunch has been full of excitement with Recess Remix and lunch clubs.
- After School has been enjoying clubs including crochet and garden club

What would make the transition to Middle School easier?

- Try middle school math problems
- Go on more field trips to the middle school
- Have the middle school students come to Alice Birney to share their experience
- Have sports teams at Alice Birney the way that there are sports teams in middle school.



BREAK

~Break~ 9:40 -9:55

Bathrooms located in the in back Kitchen



What ZBHS is implementing this year for our learners:



ZBHS is a Big Picture Learning school.

What is Big Picture Learning?



What is Big Picture Learning?

- Community Based Partnerships
- LTI / Advisory
- Real World Experiences
- Leaving to Learn
- Mentorships and Internships
- Exhibitions

Timeline for Implementation

- As soon as possible
- LTI / Advisory
- Focus on Seniors
- Start Leaving to Learns
- 3-5 internships this first semester.

Focus Group Updates

10:35- 10:55



Data Focus Group

Meets monthly on the first Thursday of the month from 1-2:30 via Google Meet

Purpose:

Collaboratively and strategically analyzing and interpreting school data to identify needs and trends of our most vulnerable student groups as outlined in the ECS CCSPP Implementation Plan. Using data to impact and support sustainable, equitable practices and systems.

Update on Data Walks:

May 2025 Community Data Walk

August, 2025 ECS Leadership Data Walk

January - April 2026 School Site Data Walks

Site Data Walks 2026

- *Aligned with School Site Council Meeting, Families and Community Invited, Dinner, Childcare and Interpretation will be provided*
- *Data Posters: Chronic Absenteeism, Suspensions, Reading, Math*
 - *Site Certificated and Classified Feedback: What are we doing to address data outcomes?*
 - *Parent Feedback:*
 - *How are we doing?*
 - *What do you want to know more about?*
 - *How can we work together to improve your child's learning?*
- *Resource Tables at each event: Attendance, Behavior, Reading & Math Support*

BIPOC/2SLGBTQIA+ Focus Group

Meets monthly on the fourth Thursday of each month.

Our Goal:

Student voice/representation at each meeting. Centering the voices of those most impacted by the systems. Centering Student Voice.

Focus for 25/26: Comprehensive supports for 2SLGBTQIA+ students.

Focus for 24/25 Students: Increased support for English Language Advisory Councils district-wide.

[Power and Shared Leadership: A True North and Eureka High Tale](#)

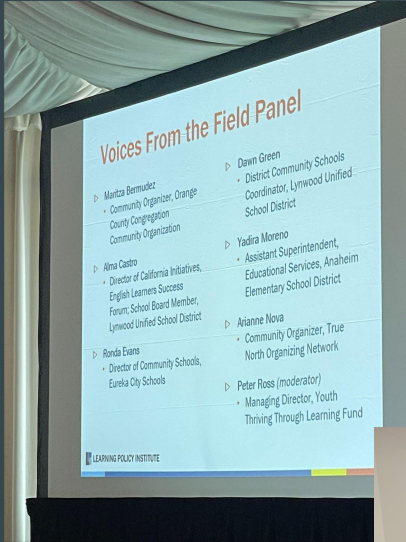
Update on Legislative Convening

Partnership for a Future of Learning

Learning Policy Institute Report: Community Schools Impact

- Fact Sheet

Community Schools' Legislative Convening Sacramento Nov. 20, 2025



Parent Leadership Academy!

Help spread the word!



Parent Leadership Academy

A New Opportunity for Eureka Families

The **Parent Leadership Academy** is a **free 4-part series** designed to bring parents, caregivers, and community members together to **learn new skills, strengthen leadership, and build community**. Professional instruction will be provided by community partners.

A partnership between
True North & Eureka City Schools

*Funded by
Eureka City Schools,
Sierra Health Foundation,
& Elevate Youth*

Participants can choose from several breakout classes each evening on topics like:

- Positive parenting & family leadership
- Social-emotional learning & youth well-being
- Navigating school systems
- Digital literacy & social media
- Career, resume & skills workshops
- Small business/entrepreneurship
- Community resources & opportunities
- and more!

Free Support for Families

- ➡ **Dinner provided** for all registered participants
- ➡ **Free childcare** for children 10 and under
- ➡ **Spanish interpretation** available at all sessions
- ➡ **\$200 gift card for the first 40 participants** who attend all 4 evenings

Dates

Wednesdays, 5:30–7:30 pm

January 21, 2026
February 11, 2026
March 18, 2026
April 8, 2026

Location

Zoe Barnum High
School 216 W Harris St

Please register here:





Community Feedback/Input
10:55-11:15 am

Closing & Next Steps

11:15 - 11:30 am

- Faith-based Partnership Initiative with Big Brothers, Big Sisters
 - Noon, here today
- Parking lot- Missed Partnership Opportunities? Warm Handoff...
- Focus Group Sign Ups
- Mental Health Sub-Committee meets Bi-Monthly and is ISO new members!
If you are interested, please reach out to Taffy Stockton
[@tmstockton@gmail.com](mailto:tmstockton@gmail.com)

Future Meeting Dates

- Next Advisory Board
 - Friday, March 6, 2026 8:30 -11:30am
- Data Focus Group 1-2:15 pm
 - 4th Thursday of each month
- 2S/LGBTQIA+ & BIPOC Focus Group 1-2:15 pm
 - 1st Thursday of each month

Thank you