**UPDATE: Feasibility Study September 22, 2026: Considering Consolidation for the Duquesne City School District**

**Reminder:** The Public-School Code of 2025 indicates that the state-mandated Feasibility Study requires a completion date of March 1, 2027.

The Project Team shall submit a report, including findings and recommendations, to the Secretary of Education, the Education Committee of the Senate and the Education Committee of the House of Representatives, no later than March 1, 2027. The Report shall include a plan that addresses the consolidation of the School District with an identified School District and an evaluation of safety and security issues, building and facility requirements, governance issues, financial impacts and necessary enhancements to educational program offerings.

The Court-Appointed Receiver and Chief Recovery Officer have been in regular contact through virtual meetings with the Special Advisor to the Secretary and the PFM Managing Director relative to the Feasibility Study, Phase 2.

Prior to the Advisory Committee Meetings, the School Board scheduled a Forum on August 11th in the school auditorium to hear the Duquesne community regarding the possible consolidation with a local school district.

The first Advisory Committee meeting was held on September 3, 2026, with an Orientation session, covering roles and expectations; and determining dates and times for the other Advisory Committee meetings. Information gathered through this process will be shared appropriately by the Chief Recovery Officer at Receiver Business Meetings and summary notes provided by PFM will be posted on the School District website.

The Advisory Committee met Governance, September 17 @ 4:30 p.m. The Advisory Committee will meet on the following dates and times; the respective topics will be Safety and Security, October 7 @ 4:30 p.m.; Facilities and Programs, October 29 @ 3:30 p.m.; Enrollment/Staffing, November 18 @ 3:30 p.m.; and Finances, December 10 @ 4:30 p.m.

The Chief Recovery Officer and Feasibility Study Project Team will review progress and move forward with Phase 2 of the Feasibility Study and will engage members of the Advisory Committee as outlined in the Status Update.

The Duquesne Team has launched an all-out effort to gather all the data that is needed for Phase 2 of the Feasibility Study.

The Chief Recovery Officer has instructed PFM to send the Student Survey in Google form to the Superintendent, who will schedule 6th - 8th graders to complete the survey online; completed surveys will be directed to PFM.

Respectfully: Dr. John C Hansen; Dr. William Kerr