

Update on Strategic Planning Efforts for School District

Cultivating Our Future

Earlier this Spring, over 100 citizens, representing a broad spectrum of our Clear Lake community, came together over two evenings, March 27-28th, giving of their time and insights, to provide input toward creating a vision for successful schools in Clear Lake.

This event, called “Cultivating Our Future,” was sponsored by the School District of Clear Lake Board of Education and was the culmination of months of planning by a group of community leaders chosen by the Board. The task given to this Vision Element Study Team (VEST) was to bring the community together to gather feedback and to recommend an updated mission, vision, and basis for a strategic plan for our school district.

Updates Since March and Next Steps

Since the event in March, a number of things have occurred. First, the large amount of community feedback given by the attendees was analyzed and organized around common themes that emerged. Then the team of community leaders (The VEST) had two more meetings in April and May to review the input and start the challenging work of crafting updated mission and vision statements.

Members of the VEST are currently refining this work and will share a presentation at the July 10th School Board meeting. Community members are welcome to attend the Board meeting to hear it. Included in the presentation will be a review of the entire process that has been used, a proposed mission statement, a proposed vision statement, proposed core values, and proposed “pillars” which outline the priorities of the District. All of this will then be considered for adoption by our School Board with the intention of it forming the basis for strategic planning and improvement going forward.

We are incredibly grateful for the efforts of the VEST members, the participants at Cultivating Our Future, as well as the entire team of Warriors who were charged with planning and executing this work on behalf of our School Board. Thank you to all!

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