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PLANO ISD INVITES COMMUNITY TO ATTEND LONG RANGE FACILITY PLANNING MEETINGS AND SOLICIT FEEDBACK

Plano, TX —Plano ISD families, staff and community members are invited to attend and participate in a series of community input meetings to discuss Plano ISD’s long range facility planning. District enrollment has steadily declined over the last 12 years. The District’s peak enrollment was in 2012 at 55,700 and our current enrollment is 47,800.

Reasons for the decline include:

- The rising costs of homes (the average home in Plano ISD is \$584,000);
- Growth in districts to our north with average home costs lower than Plano ISD;
- A decrease in birth rates
- Larger graduating classes than incoming kindergarten classes.

These meetings are part of the district’s strategic roadmapping process that was approved by the Board of Trustees on May 2, 2023 to study:

- Current facilities,
- Enrollment, and
- Programs to determine efficiencies,
 - Long range planning and
 - Programmatic equity.

This study will:

- Assess all of our schools,
- Analyze the student enrollment at each school,
- Evaluate high-quality programming,

- Consider whether the building is being used effectively and
- Determine whether resources are fairly distributed to support all students

The result of the study may lead to restructuring, or “rightsizing,” school sites to better serve students. Rightsizing may involve:

- Closing school buildings,
- Adjusting attendance boundaries within the feeder pattern to allow for a more equitable disbursement of district resources.

The meetings will be held:

November 13, 2023

6-7:30 p.m.

Jasper High School

December 11, 2023

6-7:30 p.m.

McMillen High School

January 11, 2024

6-7:30 p.m.

Vines High School

Sign language interpreters provided

February 10, 2024

9:30-11 a.m.

Williams High School

Spanish translation provided

March 6, 2024

6-7:30 p.m.

Clark High School

Sign language interpreters provided

April 9, 2024

6-7:30 p.m.

Shepton High School

Spanish translation provided

“Ultimately, the study of school building capacity will be to support thriving schools, classrooms, students, teachers and school leaders,” said Plano ISD Superintendent Dr. Theresa Williams.

“We look forward to listening and working collaboratively with all of our stakeholders as we map our future and continue to provide the best possible education for our students.”

In September 2023, Plano ISD Board approved a resolution to approve an advisory committee that will be tasked with reviewing the long-range planning feedback and examining various factors, including enrollment trends, facility assessments, programmatic and demographic data.

About Plano Independent School District

The Plano Independent School District (Plano ISD) (www.pisd.edu) endeavors to foster the highest level of student learning. Plano ISD is located 20 miles north of Dallas, Texas and serves the residents of approximately 100 square miles in southwest Collin County, including 66 square miles in the city of Plano, northern portions of the cities of Dallas and Richardson and parts of the cities of Allen, Parker and Murphy. Plano ISD employs 6,500 staff members who serve nearly 48,000 students in 72 schools and 11 service facilities. Mission: Our Plano ISD learning community will educate, inspire and empower every student to activate their unique potential in a dynamic world.

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