

ACADEMIC UPDATES

BOARD MEETING

September 10, 2020



We have started strong with our Distance Learning version 2 programs. Specifically

- Established set class schedules with daily live sessions, engagement and attendance tracking. Improving grading and attendance systems.
- We have addressed access and equity. All of our students have access to Internet and device. Thanks to the funding and team efforts that we can say that digital divide is not an issue in our schools.
- All of our lesson plans and activities are available to parent/students and to the public under our DL portal.
- We have improved our communication means. We rolled out a student connection portal where teachers and schools can send direct communication to students.
- We have added new instructional programs and effective approaches,
- Addressing and mitigating the learning loss due the Covid-19 closures with identification and placement of students in our tiered intervention programs. Our schools are about to finish NWEA MAP assessments for diagnostic and benchmarking.



DL version 2 - cont...

- Our teachers offer small group instructions, office hours, tutoring and will be starting our Saturday schools soon.
- Provided staff with new professional development opportunities on Distance Learning. We continue capacity building for flipped learning/classroom and hybrid and blended learning best practices and tools. Our program coordinators and directors already help two collaborative meetings across schools focusing on curriculum, pacing and interim assessments.
- Our schools continuously provide training to parents and students. We started our back to school nights. We see more parents participating as a result of having the convenience of having virtual meetings.
- Clubs, after school enrichment starting
- Our college counselors work with students and parents to make sure our college and career readiness programs continue. We will be holding our first collaborative meeting tomorrow.
- We are working on making final preparations for the reopening of our SA and SD schools where it is allowed to reopen in a safe and healthy way.



Upcoming Events

- Updates on school goals
- Interim Assessments
- Progress Reports
- Fall Practitioner's Symposium – October 16
- College applications

