

Board-Sponsored Community Engagement Events

Early Community Engagement Opportunities

Summer Engagement: Villagefest School Board Booth

- **Where/when:** Central Park Saturday, August 1 (12:00 PM – 5:00 PM)
- **Why:** Utilize the Board's presence at Villagefest to engage with the community regarding their hopes, aspirations and vision for the school district.
- **How:** Gathering feedback directly at the booth via a printed foam board and interactive prompts (QR code).

Proposed Community Outreach Evening

- **Where/when:**
 - Option 1: Convert SB worksession on Oct. 20 to Community Engagement Session @ MS/HS Commons
 - Option 2: Schedule Community Engagement on October 27th, 6:30pm
 - Board debrief and discussion at the November 10th board meeting
- **Why:** A session designed to gather deeper input from community stakeholders regarding their hopes, aspirations and vision for the school district.
- **How:** CESO would organize, manage, and facilitate the event. CESO would synthesize the collected feedback into a comprehensive report for the board.
 - CESO would present a report to the board for debrief and discussion on either Tuesday, Nov. 10.

Board Decisions

- **Question:** Is a community outreach evening in October still an initiative that the board wishes to hold in addition to the August 1 Villagefest booth?
- **If so, we should ensure that Susan Brott (CESO)** will have access to the Villagefest data with time to incorporate the initial Villagefest data for the October evening event.

Role clarity for Board vs stakeholders

To ensure a transparent process and manage expectations, the framework of outreach must be clear for all:

- **Decision Support:** The summer and autumn outreach opportunities should be explicitly designed to support and inform the board's decision-making process by building a clear candidate profile.
- **Expectation Limits:** The various stakeholders in our community are not a direct part of the voting process and they do not hold final selection authority. The statutory obligation and final vote to choose and hire the next superintendent remain exclusively with the School Board.

Community Engagement Timeline

Month / Date	Key Activities & Milestone Objectives	Accountable Parties
PRE-SEARCH		
August 1	Launch 2026-27 Community Engagement initiative at the Villagefest school board booth.	School Board, District Staff
October	<u>Tentative</u> Oct 20 or 27 Community engagement/conversation. Preparation of RFPs to send to prospective consultants/search agencies by end of month.	CESO, School Board, Public
OFFICIAL SEARCH		
November	Review October session input Begin the formal search process. Review detailed proposals from 2-3 professional search organizations specializing in executive educational placement.	School Board and district staff

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November December	Evaluate submitted proposals, finalize the selection of the preferred search organization, and contract with the firm.	School Board, Selected Search Firm