

MEMO

To: Susan Flanagan, Interim Superintendent
From: Eva N. Rosa
Cc: Board of Education
Date: March 2, 2012
RE: Bilingual Program Update

1. A parent workshop took place on Saturday, February 25. The presenter was Mr. Ferney Ramirez. Parents enjoyed and actively participated in activities on the topic, "Talking to Your Adolescent." Our next parent workshop is set for Wednesday, March 28 at 6 p.m.
2. A Bilingual Parent meeting will be held at Garfield School on Wednesday, March 15, 2012 at p.m.
3. District 89, in collaboration with Triton College, has followed up on the suggestion of offering a GED program to parents. In an effort to make this possible and to better meet the needs of the public, a study was conducted to gauge community interest in the program. All District 89 parents received a GED survey letter. We have received 84 responses as of Friday, March 2. Attached is a copy of the survey and preliminary results. The program is pending Board approval.

Number of Responses per Question

Below is how parents responded to the questions on the GED survey

Questions	Number of	Responses per	question	
I am interested in the GED Program.	<u>Yes</u> 84 individuals (34 English) (50 Spanish)	<u>No</u> 3		
Time of day most convenient for your GED classes	<u>Mornings</u> 36 (15 English) (21 Spanish)	<u>Afternoons</u> 22 (6 English) (21 Spanish)	<u>Evenings</u> 38 (16 English) (22 Spanish)	
Location most convenient for you.	<u>District</u> 60 (24 English) (36 Spanish)	<u>Triton College Campus</u> 33 (13 English) (14 Spanish)		
Language most convenient for you.	<u>English</u> 34	<u>Spanish</u> 50		
Are you ready to commit to the GED classes for the duration of the entire program and exam?	<u>YES</u> 84			