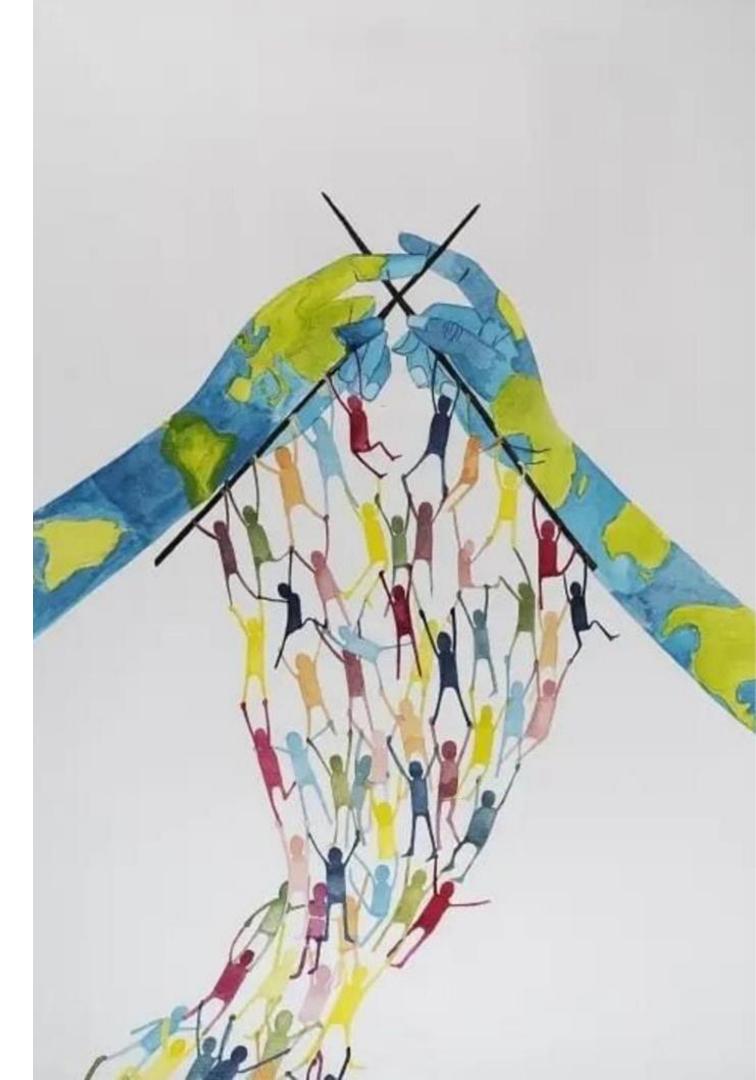




Insights and Action Steps from Community Feedback

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Bringing voice to a shared vision

Superintendent's 100 Day Plan



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Commitment to **building empowering relationships** and **soliciting the voices** of others so that we have a shared meaning of success and what it will take to attain it.

Understand perspectives, experiences and aspirations

Inform the Superintendent's and the district's priorities

Community engagement is the cornerstone of the work in CFSD.

Inclusive Process Through World Café Methodology

Table Questions per Round

#1- What are your dreams and aspirations for your child's future in the Catalina Foothills School District? (12 min)

(Host stays and others move to new table)

- #2a What aspects of the school's current programs or practices do you find most beneficial for your child's learning? (6 min)
- #2b What challenges have you faced in supporting your child's education, and how can CFSD address these challenges? (6 min)

(New Host stays and others move to new table)

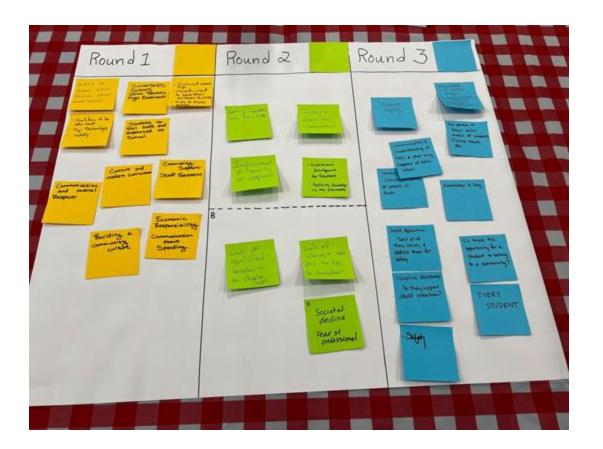
#3 - What priorities do you think CFSD should focus on to enhance your child's educational experience and ensure future success? (12 min)



12 in-person sessions involving 471 people and an online survey alternative

Listen and Learn Engagement

- Total Sessions: 12 sessions across district sites.
- **Participants:** 471 participants across all stakeholder groups.
- **Responses Analyzed:** Over 3,000 Post-It notes and survey responses.





Level Specific Themes (based on over 3000 in-person session post-it contributions and 95 survey responses)

PreK - Elementary

Valley View, Manzanita, Sunrise Drive, Ventana Vista, Canyon View

- Focus on reducing class size and increasing support staff
- Emphasis on social-emotional learning and safe environments

Middle/High School

OGMS, ECMS, CFHS

- Broaden elective and career-ready pathways
- Increase mental health resources and support for staff
- Consistency between schools

Parents/Families

AM & PM in-person and surveys

- Stronger communication about curriculum and safety protocols
- Clearer behavioral expectations for discipline

MAC Staff & PreK-12 Administrator Team

- Support staff development, retention, well-being and inclusive culture
 - Enhance communication and streamline processes and update operation practices

Key Themes



Promote Rigorous Academic Standards and Career-Ready Skills Strengthen Teacher Support, Retention, and Professional Development

Enhance Personalized Learning and Individualized Support

Encourage Transparent Communication and Active Family Engagement



Cultivate a Safe, Inclusive, and Supportive School Environment

Strengthen social-emotional learning (SEL) programs, mental health resources, and anti-bullying measures to support students' emotional well-being.

Reinforce consistent behavior protocols and ensure safe, inclusive spaces for all students, with dedicated resources for physical and emotional safety across all grades.



(EOP).

- CFSD has expanded social-emotional learning programs and mental health resources
- CFSD has increased counseling staff at sites to support student well-being.
- CFSD has adopted Centegix Crisis Alert System
- CFSD has initiated Comprehensive Threat Assessment Guidelines (CSTAG) training for all administrators and counselors.
- CFSD has hired a security specialist to work with sites to standardize our Emergency Operation Plan

Foster Community Engagement and Build A Cohesive School Culture

Strengthen partnerships with local organizations and families to build a welcoming, inclusive school community.

Celebrate diversity through cultural events, community service initiatives, and active dialogue, fostering a district culture that respects and values all backgrounds.

site level.

CFSD partners with local organizations to provide community service opportunities and student internships.

CFSD hosts a variety of events designed to foster connections between schools and communities, including Falcon Fly-Ins, Falcon Fly-Outs, Fall Fling, Panther Pride Day, and Manzanita's Family Evening of the Arts and Culture, Ventana Vista's Popsta! and Falcon **Connections**.









CFSD celebrates culture through cultural celebrations at the

Strengthen Teacher Support, Retention, and Professional Development

Remain the leader in competitive compensation, benefits, and support work-life balance measures to attract and retain high-quality educators.

Continue tailored professional development in areas like SEL, classroom management, and differentiated instruction to support teacher growth and job satisfaction.



salary freeze from 2008-2010.

to new and veteran staff.

- CFSD has consistently increased teacher salaries since the
- CFSD has the highest teacher salary in Southern Arizona.
- The CFSD Foundation provides financial support to provide new teacher support, coaching, and mentoring.
- CFSD has dedicated personnel to provide professional learning
- CFSD offers teacher leadership opportunities in curriculum planning and assessment design.

Promote Rigorous Academic Standards and Career-Ready Skills

Maintain high academic standards with a comprehensive curriculum that prepares students for college, vocational paths, and real-world applications.

Strengthen life skills such as financial literacy, leadership, and time management to ensure students are well-equipped for success beyond school.



CFSD offers 23 Advanced Placement courses.

CFSD offers industry certifications, internships, and work-based learning through Career and Technical Education courses that align with careers students are interested in.

CFSD's World Language and Immersion programs develop interculturality.The number of students who are earning the Seal of Biliteracy is growing every year.

CFSD offers a wide variety of mathematics pathways to meet student needs.

Enhance Personalized Learning and Individualized Support

Reduce class sizes and provide targeted support through additional educational assistants and specialized staff, particularly for special education and advanced learners.

Ensure every student, regardless of ability, has access to the resources and opportunities they need to excel.



- CFSD reduced class size in K-3.
- CFSD increased staffing for gifted students and students with special needs.
- CFSD is adding Khan Academy and Khanmigo in grades 5-12.
- CFSD offers Read Strong, Math Lab support, and counselor-led small groups.
- Afterschool programs and clubs create unique learning pathways, from Community Schools to CTE.

Encourage Transparent Communication and Active Family Engagement

Improve consistent, transparent communication with families on student progress, safety protocols, and curriculum updates, creating an open channel for feedback and collaboration.

Foster family involvement through regular events, volunteer opportunities, and active partnerships that connect families with the district's goals.



CFSD implement communication.

CFSD hosted safety sessions at each site to engage parents in district-wide discussion.

CFSD meets reg leaders.

Schools host family nights on specific parenting topics and events like Coffee with the Counselors.

CFSD implemented ParentSquare for streamlined

CFSD meets regularly with FFO, booster and Foundation

Modernize Facilities and Resources to Support Diverse Learning Needs

Update and expand facilities to support a range of programs, from arts and athletics to Career and Technical Education (CTE) and sustainable practices.

Ensure that all students and teachers have access to current technology and library resources, creating a conducive learning environment that supports diverse interests and engagement.



CFSD invested \$5M in security upgrades district-wide.

CFSD constructed a new music building at CFHS to provide a dedicated space for the growing orchestra and guitar programs.

CFSD makes ongoing site improvements and upgrades at each site using bond dollars approved by our community.

CFSD replaced 16 buses in our fleet this year with plans to replace 13 with the next bond issuance.

Moving from Feedback to Action

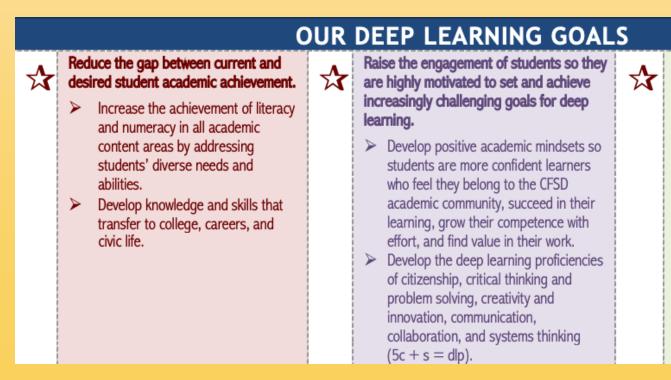
Integrate themes into strategic goals.

Engage principals in the site-specific work as well as district wide initiatives.

Provide regular updates to staff and community.

Expand outreach for feedback to include students and alumni.

Continue to gather feedback throughout our work.



Partner with families and community to achieve our strategic priorities.

- Engage in regular meaningful communication about student learning.
- > Foster strong relationships with and among CFSD alumni.

Highlights and Feedback

CFSD Community Engagement:

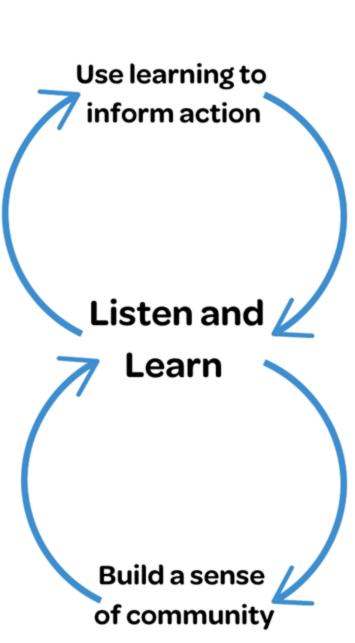
- Teachers & Staff: Ο
 - "We really felt heard." & "Very professional & organized"
 - "It gave me different perspectives" & "Having all the staff here instead of just the teachers is crucial

Parents and Families: Parents appreciated connecting with others across the district and gaining broader perspectives.

- "The process helped us build community" & "People came together across levels was valuable."
- "Normalized a lot of feelings, everyone was vulnerable, it was a positive environment."
- Quote from Superintendent Bartlett: Ο
 - "Building these connections is critical to the district's continued success."

Actionable Insights:

- Key topics discussed: Aspirations, district strengths, barriers to success, and top priorities. Ο
- Parent Feedback: Sessions deepened their engagement and empowered them to share experiences. Ο
- Overall sense of the importance of dialogue to foster connections Ο
- How could we incorporate this process in some way for students? Ο
- **Resilience:** Despite coinciding with a security incident, the sessions provided valuable feedback on CFSD's proactive approach to safety.



Together we are shaping the future of our district and ensuring excellence for all students.

