Kenyon-Wanamingo Public Schools

October 29th Board Meeting

Option 1: Closure of the Wanamingo Site by 2027

Superintendent's recommendation: was to close the Wanamingo site. Projections based on community growth models, housing availability, and birth rates indicate that enrollment in the Kenyon-Wanamingo School District will continue to decline until stabilizing around 2027.

Feedback: Stakeholders have consistently emphasized the importance of retaining the Wanamingo building as an integral part of the Kenyon-Wanamingo School District. This priority reflects a collective commitment to maintaining the presence and services of the district within the Wanamingo community.

Option 2: Move the K-4 to Kenyon site in 2025

Superintendent's recommendation: After considering the feedback, it may be more beneficial to repurpose the Wanamingo site as a Preschool, Early Childhood, and Daycare Center. This approach would allow us to continue utilizing the building and maintain a presence in Wanamingo while still achieving significant cost savings.

Closure of the Wanamingo Site		Early Childhood /Daycare Site Plan	
Transportation (no shuttles)	\$63,000	Transportation (no shuttles)	\$63,000
Facilities (Lawn / Snow Removal)	\$25,000	Facilities (Lawn / Snow Removal)	\$0
Food Service	\$34,100	Food Service	\$17,000
Utilities	\$135,800	Utilities (close 1-2 wings)	\$70,000
Mileage between buildings (Staff)	\$13,500	Mileage between buildings (Staff)	\$13,500
Copier Savings	\$35,000	Copier Savings	\$14,000
Capital Repairs savings	\$20,000	Capital Repairs savings	\$20,000
Internet / phones	\$2,000	Internet / phones	\$0
Insurance on Elementary	\$43,000	Insurance on Elementary	\$0
SELCO savings	\$2,200	SELCO savings	\$2,200
FTE Reductions	\$420,000	FTE Reductions	\$335,000

Option 1 Savings for next year is estimated to be: \$793,600

Option 2 Savings for next year is estimated to be: \$534,700



Student Enrollment Data

- Senior class is 71 kids
- Kindergarten class is 36

- 73 students go to "East Side"
- 71 5-12 students come from "West Side"

Schools our size.....

Hayfield - closed Brownsdale Elementary

Rushford Peterson - closed Peterson

Triton - closed Claremont and West Concord

Goodhue and Randolph are one site

Option 1 Timeline

- 2024 we reduced \$500,000 in expenditures
- 2025 we will reduce \$400,000 in operating costs and right-sizing with existing class (71) and incoming Kindergarten (36)
- 2026 Administration starts planning building preparations for one site
- Fall 2027 move students and staff \$700,000 savings

Option 2 Timeline

- 2024 we reduced \$500,000 in expenditures
- 2025 move K-4 to Kenyon site reducing expenditures by \$500,000. Move Early Childhood programming to Wanamingo
- 2026 Monitor and evaluate programming, and building needs

Thoughts??

