
Board of Education

INFORMATION

TITLE:	Update: District Committees
DATE:	August 18, 2020
RESPONSIBLE ADMINISTRATOR:	Doug Brubaker, Ph.D. Superintendent Zena Marshall Executive Director of Communications and Community Partnerships
VISION 2023 STRATEGY:	Belief Statement 6. Community involvement in our schools is an essential and highly valued investment in our students and our future.

BACKGROUND/CONSIDERATIONS:

As part of Fort Smith Public Schools' continuous improvement and communication efforts, the District is served by a number of committees. Their purpose is to provide input and feedback about different subjects from the perspective of students, parents, teachers, support staff, and members of the community. Attached is a list of some of the teams that have worked on topics such as reopening schools, diversity, career and technology, capital improvement projects, and mental health. Some people who have attended some committee meetings have not been members. The opinions of individual committee members do not necessarily reflect the views of the entire committee or the district. To promote transparency, weekly board updates, staff newsletters, social media, board meetings, and the website include information about committee meetings and topics discussed.

RECOMMENDATION:

This is an information item and does not come with a recommendation.

VISION 2023 STRATEGIES - **1. Career Planning:** Develop and implement education and career pathways so that each student graduates with a viable plan and relevant skill set for his or her future. **2. Equity:** Develop and implement a system-wide plan to provide all students with the resources they need to optimize their learning. **3. Instruction:** Design, develop and implement programs to promote rigor, relevance, collaboration, critical- thinking skills and learning environments designed to meet each student's unique needs and aspirations. **4. Learning Environment/Facilities:** Align resources, facilities and technology strategically and equitably across the district to maximize security and enhance the learning environment. **5. Staffing:** Recruit and retain highly-qualified faculty, staff and administration. **6. Technology:** Provide appropriate technology that is consistently available, effectively supported and equitably distributed for group and individual instruction. **7. Wellness:** Develop and train empathetic and nurturing employees to be sensitive to and supportive of the needs of all children and families.