



From the Board Room

September 23, 2013 Special Meeting Hesperia Unified School District Governing Board Vol. 8

Preparing Today's Students for Tomorrow's World

COMMON CORE STATE STANDARDS PRESENTATION/ WORKSHOP

Robert McCollum, Director of Secondary Education and the HUSD Secondary Curriculum Coaches consisting of David Cain and Tina Viayra presented an overview of the Common Core State Standards, focusing on the necessary shift in educational practice that will be necessary for their implementation. The presentation also included a Marshmallow challenge activity as a demonstration of 21st Century Learning and Depth of Knowledge with administrators and the Governing Board.

On August 2, 2010, the California State Board of Education (SBE) voted unanimously to adopt new standards for both mathematics and English-language arts. The new standards are rigorous, research-based, and designed to prepare every student for success in college and the workforce. The standards are internationally benchmarked to ensure that our students are able to compete with students around the globe.

The Common Core State Standards provide a consistent, clear understanding of what students are expected to learn, so teachers and parents

know what they need to do to help them. The standards are designed to be robust and relevant to the real world, reflecting the knowledge and skills that our young people need for success in college and careers. With American students fully prepared for the future, our communities will be best positioned to compete successfully in the global economy.

The standards:

- Are aligned with college and work expectations;
- Are clear, understandable and consistent;
- Include rigorous content and application of knowledge through high-order skills;
- Build upon strengths and lessons of current state standards;

- Are informed by other top performing countries, so that all students are prepared to succeed in our global economy and society; and
- Are evidence-based.

Full implementation is school year 2013-14.

21st Century Learning

- ❖ To succeed in the 21st century, all students will need to perform to high standards and acquire mastery of rigorous core subject material.
- ❖ Learning and Innovation Skills increasingly are being recognized as those that separate students who are prepared for a more and more complex life and work environments in the 21st century, and those who are not. A focus on Creativity, Critical Thinking, Communication and Collaboration is essential to prepare students for the future.

You may recall at the September 9, 2013 Board meeting, the Board approved the Superintendent's Goals. At Monday's meeting, the Board re-adopted the District Goals consisting of the following:

**DISTRICT GOALS
2013-2014**

Preparing Today's Students for Tomorrow's World

- ❖ *Continue to develop, implement, and evaluate a quality educational program that supports academic excellence, closes student achievement gaps and advances college and career ready options.*
- ❖ *Build a foundation of employee excellence for a 21st Century learning environment where a commitment to supervision, evaluation, and staff training, strengthens communication and creates principled relationships with employee groups.*
- ❖ *Use resources prudently to effectively manage financial assets and continue to explore avenues to contain/cut costs while providing high quality educational experiences for all students.*
- ❖ *Expand the use of technology to support student learning, enhance communication, and provide better customer access to information.*
- ❖ *Develop a Facilities' Master Plan that provides an infrastructure to support the needs of students and addresses both short-term and long-term facility needs.*
- ❖ *Plan, develop and implement a process to update all Board Policies so as to create a framework for actions supportive of the District's vision and student learning, while being current with new laws.*

Re-Adopted: 9/23/13

CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS:

- Approved the recommendation to hire Tonya Tardd as Asst. Director of Nutrition Services. Her start date to be determined.
- Approved the recommendation to hire Steven Rollins as Asst. Director of Fiscal Services. His start date to be determined.



BOARD ACTIONS:

- Adopted Board Policies Series 4000 – Personnel

NEXT MEETING: OCTOBER 7, 2013

****NOTE NEW LOCATION THIS MEETING ONLY****

Sultana High School (Sultan Hall), 17311 Sultana Street, Hesperia
4:00 p.m. Closed Session; 6:00 p.m. Open Session

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Hesperia Unified School District Governing Board

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