

4/30/21 - Weekly Board Notes

Magnet School Lottery Draw Numbers Update:

SEE ATTACHED K-12 PROJECT-BASED, SORENSEN, AND RAMSEY MAGNET SCHOOL LOTTERY DRAW NUMBERS 4-30-21 (3) DOCUMENTS.

Kelly Niccolls - Post-Pandemic Schooling Research:

I wanted to share with you some current thinking by education leaders and researchers as we enter into “post-pandemic” schooling across the country and as our District sets in motion concrete steps in our strategic plan. This is just for your review if you’re interested.

- [Learning as a Lifelong Personal Practice](#)
- [How Can We Design Learning So That All Students Thrive?](#)
- [We Need to Get Better at Learning Transfer](#)
- [Why Learner Centered Education is the Key to Meaningful School Improvement](#)
- [New Research Makes Powerful Case for PBL](#)
- [Learner Centered Metrics that Matter in the Pandemic \(and Beyond\)](#)
- [AASA Learning 2025](#)
- [Accelerating Learning As We Build Back Better](#)
- [Too Much Focus on Learning Loss Will Be a Historic Mistake](#)
- [Students Respond to Adult Fixation on Learning Loss](#)
- [Does it Hurt Children to Measure Pandemic Learning Loss](#)
- [A Better Way to Make Sense of Pandemic Learning Loss](#)

Mike Nelson - Coursework And Release Time By High School:

The memo below was shared with members of the high school redesign subcommittee during their regular meeting on Monday, April 26th. The tables provide data from both Coeur d’Alene and Lake City High Schools' use of school aides, release time, and feedback from parents/staff on the annual engagement surveys.

SEE ATTACHED COURSEWORK AND RELEASE TIME BY BUILDING 4-22-21 DOCUMENT.

Kelly Niccolls - High School Alignment Committee:

SEE ATTACHED CDA HS ALIGNMENT COMMITTEE DOCUMENT.

Mike Nelson - Winter Universal Screening Window Opens Monday:

Our final screening window of the year opens Monday (students can assess any time between May 3-31) for the following assessments:

- Civics – this is the last regular window of the year for students to take their civics assessment;
- I-Ready Mathematics – a diagnostic assessment will be automatically assigned to all students in grades 06-08 (excluding those taking Math 1);
- Illuminate Fastbridge – a screening assessment will be provided to all students in English language arts in grades 06-12 and students taking high school mathematics (excluding AP);
- IStation Reading – a reading screener will be provided to all elementary students. The results of which will comprise the Idaho Reading Indicator.

We look forward to sharing these results along with initial results from the ISAT presented by Smarter Balanced with you in June.

Pam Westberg - Long Range Planning Committee (LRPC) Needs Members:

LRPC will need to replace 4 members for the next year. The following message has been sent out in newsletters and on social media:

The CDA School District is looking for members to serve on the School Board's Long Range Planning Committee. The committee especially is in need of members representing the Bryan Elementary and Canfield Middle school zones. But anyone from any zone is welcome to apply.

This group of volunteers creates and reviews the District's long-range plans for facilities. Participation is a four-year commitment. The committee meets once a month, generally on Mondays, from 4:30 to 6 PM at Midtown Center. More information about this committee is [available on our website](#).

To apply, complete, and submit this [form](#) by June 1, 2021. All applications will be reviewed by a subcommittee of Long Range Planning.

Please share this information with anyone interested and have them apply.

Nichole Piekarski - Summary Of COVID Activity:

4/19-25

11 cases

In-District: Increased COVID activity in students grades K-5 and 9-12 and staff grades K-5.

4/26-5/3 incomplete

14 cases to-date on 4/30.

In-District: Increased COVID activity among students of all grade levels and staff in grades 6-8.

4/30 at 1PM 187 students are quarantined and 6 staff are quarantined

We have a 7-fold increase in COVID activity since March.

Nearly 200 people are quarantined in the District because they were not wearing masks at the time of the exposure. The schools most heavily impacted by quarantines include Bryan, Woodland, and Lake City High School. One cluster outbreak was identified at Winton Elementary School and that class returned to mask wearing for two weeks. We have evidence of in-school spread in other schools, but a cluster has not been confirmed, yet.

Overall, the impression is that fewer people are being tested. When notified of a close contact by the school, several families have related that the exposed individual is currently symptomatic and was last seen at their HCP's office yesterday, but not tested for COVID. The students have been seen for fever, sore throat, headache, or other symptoms and then notified by us that their child was in close contact after their doctor visit. Many of the families are now using the free saliva PCR test we can distribute. But a good number are telling us they won't test because they've been told by their doctor it isn't necessary. We've reached out to Panhandle Health and the Northwest Hospital Alliance for collaboration and problem-solving solutions with provider's offices.

Also, many people believe they have seasonal allergies. One student attended school all 10 days while symptomatic and some of those days were unmasked.

In the community, we hit a low point during spring break from Mar 29- Apr 2. Since then, our community has seen increased case counts, percent positivity, and incidence rate per 100,000 population four weeks in a row. Kootenai County is again among the highest number of cases in Idaho week after week.

End Of The Week 4/30/21 COVID Activity:

SEE ATTACHED COVID BUILDING TRACKER & DASHBOARD (2) DOCUMENTS.

Weekly Entries/Withdrawals - Beginning Mid-April 2021 Report:

The attached data represents entries/withdrawals by school for each week from Thursday through Wednesday. A summary of where these come from is listed below each week.

SEE ATTACHED E-W – 4.22.21.2021 DOCUMENT.

4/29/21 - Current Enrollment Numbers Reports:

SEE ATTACHED ELEMENTARY & SECONDARY ENROLLMENT REPORTS (2) DOCUMENTS.

4/22/21 - End Of The Week - Daily Enrollment And Absence Report:

SEE ATTACHED DAILY ABSENCE REPORT.

Q &A Responses: (Cabinet responses to Trustee questions will be placed here and posted on the following Board Weekly Notes.)