# FACILITIES PLANNING/IMPLEMENTATION MATRIX

# Full Utilization of Bear Flag and Caroline Wenzel Schools

March 15, 2007 Board Meeting

# Community Engagement Strategy

## Information and Input

- Community Meetings at sites to discuss campus re-alignment proposals and receive input from all stakeholders
  - February 5, 2007 Bear Flag
  - February 6, 2007 Caroline Wenzel
  - February 13, 2007 Bear Flag
  - February 27, 2007 Bear Flag

Questions From Community Engagement Strategies

- Enrollment Trends?
- Capacity for Each School?
- Con Cap, Permit, and Open Enrollment?
- Staffing?
- Subsidized Care for Students?
- Transportation?
- Programs to Be Continued?
- Existing Facility at Bear Flag?

## Enrollment Trends October, 2006 Actual Enrollment

	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	% of Inc/Dec
District	29,175	27,936	26,278	25,348	24,617	-18%
Bear Flag	327	274	226	201	164	-51%
Caroline Wenzel	401	427	390	363	354	-11%
Bear Flag & Caroline Wenzel Combined	728	701	616	564	518	-29%

# **October 2006 CBEDS Data**

	K-6 Students living in Attendance Area	K-6 Students Actually Attending	Transfer Out
Bear Flag	225	82	64%
Caroline Wenzel	256	152	41%

### October 2006 CBEDS Data Students from Bear Flag & Caroline Wenzel Attending Other Schools

#### **Bear Flag**

- 82 attend Bear Flag
- 46 attend C. Wenzel
- **13 attend Didion**
- 10 attend MLK
  - 9 attend Pony Express
  - 7 attend DaVinci
  - 6 attend J. Morse
- 52 attend other
- 225 students
- 64% Transfer Out

#### **Caroline Wenzel**

- 152 attend C. Wenzel
  - 22 attend Pony Express
  - **13 attend John Cabrillo** 
    - 9 attend Matsuyama
    - 8 attend Bear Flag
    - 7 attend Didion
    - 6 attend Lisbon
- <u>39</u> attend other
- 256 students
- 41% Transfer Out

# October 2006-07 Enrollment Current Demographics

	Bear Flag	Caroline Wenzel		
Total Enrollment	164	354		
African American	49%	25%		
Hispanic/Latino	21%	24%		
White	17%	23%		
Asian	5%	21%		
Other	8%	7%		

### Combined Projection Enrollment 2007-08 of Bear Flag & Caroline Wenzel

	Bear Flag		Caroline Wenzel		Combined %
Total Enrollment	127		252		379
African American	59	46%	63	25%	32%
Hispanic/Latino	24	19%	69	27%	25%
White	29	23%	57	23%	23%
Asian	7	6%	51	20%	15%
Other	8	6%	12	5%	5%

# Enrollment Summary for Transition

February 2007 Current Student Enrollment/Staffing

**<u>Caroline Wenzel</u>** (14 Teachers) <u>Bear Flag</u> (8 Teachers)

- 42 Permit 35 Concap 30 Special Ed
- 241 Neighborhood
- **348 Total Students**

Bear Flag (8 Teachers) 34 Permit 3 Concap 15 Special Ed <u>116 Neighborhood</u>

168 Students

2007-08 Projected Student Enrollment Special Education: 51 Students Caroline Wenzel: 252 Students Bear Flag: <u>127</u> Students Total Projected Enrollment – 430 Students

# 2007-2008 Projected Student Enrollment/Staffing

Caroline WenzelBear FlagPrimary (K-3) =134Primary (K-3) =69Intermediate (4-6) =  $\underline{118}$ Intermediate (4-6) =  $\underline{58}$ 58Total Students =252Total Students =127

### 2007-08 Projected Combined Enrollment

Combined Primary =203(11 teachers)Combined Intermediate =176(6 teachers)Special Education =51Total Projected Enrollment 430

What are the sizes of classes for students if the schools should combine?

- Kindergartens through 3<sup>rd</sup> grades are capped at 20 students.
- Grades 4 through 6 are capped at 33 students.

Changing Demography in the Residential Attendance Area of Bear Flag Elementary School

- Most of the homes were built in the 60's and 70's, attendance area residents have changed from young families to older adults
- Cost of housing market has made it difficult for young families to purchase a home in an established neighborhood
- Younger families are attracted to newer communities that offer amenities that are geared to younger families
- These factors have contributed to a declining trend in Bear Flag and other attendance areas

## What is the capacity at Bear Flag and Caroline Wenzel Elementary Schools?

- Bear Flag building capacity is 373 students.
- Caroline Wenzel building capacity is 528 students.

# Are Con Cap and Permit students counted in projections?

- Con Cap students are returned to their home school at the end of each year.
- Permits are renewed annually and are made available dependent upon space availability at the school site for the grade level requested.

Will Bear Flag and Caroline Wenzel students be given an opportunity for Open Enrollment?

- If both schools are combined, a special open enrollment application period will be held at both schools.
- The Open Enrollment lottery for elementary schools in the district is on hold and will not occur until a decision is made about the full utilization plan for Bear Flag and Caroline Wenzel.

Are existing Open Enrollment students counted in the projections?

- Yes. Students that are presently attending Bear Flag Elementary School or Caroline Wenzel Elementary School from Open Enrollment are included in the projections.
- Once a student is accepted through Open Enrollment process, the students becomes a neighborhood student.

What happens to staff if the schools are combined?

- Human Resources Department, the certificated and classified bargaining units will work together to facilitate staffing needs.
- Staffing is determined by a formula using the projected numbers of enrolled students at the school.

# How does the combined move affect transportation?

#### Current:

- Bear Flag: 6 students are transported to Bear Flag
- Caroline Wenzel: 32 students are transported to Caroline Wenzel

#### **Combined Proposal:**

- Bear Flag: Two additional stops for a total of 39 additional students to be transported to Caroline Wenzel
- Caroline Wenzel: Continue with 5 stops for a total of 43 students to Caroline Wenzel

Will subsidized child care be provided if both schools are combined?

- Subsidized child care would be provided.
- Decision to be made would be to continue the Children's Center and/or the 4<sup>th</sup> R program which both offer subsidized child care programs.

# How will the students be supported for an easy transition?

- Principals will collaborate to ensure communication for a smooth transition.
- Orientation(s) will be scheduled for parents and students.
- Staff will collaborate to meet the needs of students and planning for programs.
- Meetings will be scheduled to provide updated information for community.

Why did students in the attendance area of Bear Flag leave to attend other schools?

- High expectations and higher tests scores at other schools
- Too small at Bear Flag; students benefit with more students in other schools
- Continued talk about closing of the school due to declining enrollment
- Request for day care; Subsidized day care provided September, 2005
- Changing demographics

# Recent History of Programs at Bear Flag

- Adult Ed Parent Participation Pre-School – 1996 to Current
- Head Start Pre-School Aged – 2000 to Current
- School Aged Children's Center-2005 to Current

- World Language Academy – 2004 to 2005; Funding ended 2006
- Keyboard Music Lab Grant – Received March 2005
- New Comer English Learners Class – 2002 to 2004

What current programs would transition if the schools are combined?

- Computer Programs
- Special Education **RSP**

**Communicatively Disabled** 

**Autistic** 

**Developmentally Disabled** 

Health and PE

**Music Program** 

**Literacy Center** 

**Healthy Start** 

Subsidized Care

**Keyboard Lab(TBD)** 

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**Current Programs at Bear Flag to continue:** 

- Head Start Pre-School Aged
- Adult Education Parent Participation Program
  - Adult Education English Learners Classes

(continued) If the District should close Bear Flag, what will happen to the facility?

- Proposed plans include: Interim Housing for Engineering and Sciences Small High School Grades 7 and 9 to open in September, 2007 Enrollment is not to exceed 200 in first year
- Exploring Other Options