

Kit Carson Community Meeting
March 8, 2006
7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Questions:

1. What about Sutter Middle School? Does Sutter have more acreage than Kit Carson?

Sutter is currently at maximum capacity. The acreage at Sutter is 7.5 acres and 9.6 acres at Kit Carson.

2. Will there be an enrollment decline at the secondary level?

No, the decline in enrollment is at the elementary level. It is projected that there will be a decrease of approximately 200 students at the elementary level next year. Since 2001, SCUSD has declined by 4,538 students at the K-8 level.

3. What is the projected size of the Consent Decree High School?

The minimum size of the Consent Decree High School is 500 students. The Consent Decree does not address a maximum size. The Consent Decree committee has discussed this issue. They all agree that a maximum size should be established. The number that was discussed but not approved by the Board of Education was 800-900 students maximum.

4. Is there enough land to build a swimming pool and gym?

Kit Carson has a gym. The school does not have a swimming pool. We would explore a joint use partnership with the City of Sacramento to build a swimming pool if it is recommended that a swimming pool is needed.

5. What about traffic?

The California Environmental Quality Act will require an agency to study the impact on air, traffic and noise as it relates to this project. The agency will give a finding to the district in writing. This will be shared with the Board of Education before they make a final decision.

6. What is the boundary for the Consent Decree?

The consent Decree states the following: “The New High School will be located if at all possible within the previous Sacramento High School attendance area, but will definitely be located within two miles of the boundaries of that attendance area.”

7. What about parking?

If this recommendation moves forward, additional parking will be constructed to accommodate staff and students.

8. Where are there comparable small comprehensive high school programs within a neighborhood?

The most comparable small comprehensive high school in our district is West Campus High School with an enrollment of approximately 825 students.

9. Can the Consent Decree High School and St. Hope Sacramento Charter High School co-exist at the same location?

Sacramento Charter High School has a MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) that gives them exclusive rights to the facilities until 2008. We would have to receive approval from the St. Hope Sacramento Charter High School Board of Education to co-locate.

10. What about California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)?

A CEQA study will occur before a final decision is made by the Board of Education. A Negative Declaration will be issued if there are no significant impacts to air quality, traffic or noise. The District will do their utmost to reduce any impact.

11. What happens after the Consent Decree Committee makes their recommendation?

They will provide the recommendation to the Board of Education on March 15, 2006 for discussion.

12. How do neighborhood residents get to provide information or feedback?

They can provide feedback at two more scheduled community meetings. They are scheduled for Wednesday, March 22, 2006 and Thursday, March 30, 2006. The meetings will be held in the Kit Carson Multipurpose Room. Information will go out to parents via written communication and Connect Ed (telephone). Additionally it will be listed on the district Web Site at scusd.edu and future Board of Education Meetings. They are as follows: Thursday, March 16, April 6 & 20, 2006. Regular Board of Education meetings are held on the first and third Thursday of every month. The meetings are held at the Serna Center, 5735 47th Avenue, Sacramento, CA. 95824