

District continues comprehensive review of all sites

Farmington, Michigan — The Farmington Public Schools is continuing its comprehensive review of all schools, buildings and properties owned and operated by the District. The Board of Education is taking this action to maintain instructional quality while working within an environment of increasingly scarcer resources. This review is imperative to developing a long-range plan that will allow the District to maintain high quality instructional programs.

Since December 2007, the District's Learning Configurations and Facilities Committee gathered significant amounts of information related to enrollment, facilities and learning configurations. The decision was made not to change the current K-5, 6-8 and 9-12 learning configurations.

To insure a fair and equitable process that meets the needs of the District, a community-wide Facilities Study Team will be created. Establishing a diverse and representative team will enable the District to take advantage of the experience, expertise and interest of its residents. Acting with clearly defined roles and responsibilities, the Team will gather information, identify options and gain consensus on a proposal for consideration by the Board of Education that meets the instructional and financial best interest of the District.

A Selection Committee, comprised of District residents, is currently being created to establish the criteria and application for the Facilities Study Team. Working with an experienced facilitator, the Committee will select Facilities Study Team members.

The Facilities Study Team will then begin meeting in August 2009 and present their recommendation to the Board of Education in January 2010.