

Create the Future

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Your are invited to help *Create the Future* of Natrona County high schools

The Natrona County School District, in partnership with the Wyoming School Facilities Commission, is designing remodels of Kelly Walsh and Natrona County high schools, plus a new high school campus to house Roosevelt High, Star Lane Center, Transitions Learning Center and the new Center for Advanced and Professional Studies (CAPS).

The design process begins with a 2 1/2-day work session, called a charrette, that will bring together community and school leaders with architects to begin the work of planning the new facilities. The goal of the charrette is to provide a solid direction for the programming and facilities for secondary education in Casper. Participants will:

- * Review the results of previous work;
- * Learn about the project parameters for all sites;
- * Understand best practices at current schools/programs and discuss the most appropriate planning strategies for learning communities across all campuses; and
- * Brainstorm ideas to align school facilities with the vision/goals and collective needs of students, staff members and the community.

You are invited to be a participant in this charrette process to help plan the design of Natrona County schools. You will work specifically on planning for one of the three schools being designed. However, teams for Kelly Walsh, Natrona County and the new high school campus also will work together through the process to build a system of schools that connects for students.

Charrette participants will need to commit to participating in this 2 1/2-day session (May 3-5), as well as another session May 24-26. An agenda for the first charrette follows. Please R.S.V.P. to (307) 253-5370 to become a member of the new campus charrette team.

If you cannot commit to participating in the full process, you still are invited to follow the process and give your input. The entire charrette process will be open for community observation on a drop-in basis. There also will be community forums on May 3, where anyone can provide input, as well as evening recaps and discussion times after each day of work.

Thank you for your interest in this process. We look forward to working together to ***Create the Future*** for our children.

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Charrette #1: May 3-5, 2011

Day 1 Tuesday, May 3, 2011

When: Choose one of two identical meetings
4 p.m. or 6 p.m.

Where: Summit Elementary School, 2210 Waterford, Casper

Why: "Movie Night" exploring why we are here, visioning, videos and community's highest hopes

Who: Open to everyone; charrette participants required to attend

★ **Community Event**

Day 2 Wednesday, May 4, 2011

Where: Casper Events Center

Why: Explore ways to translate vision and goals into spaces

Who: Charrette participants required to attend; community members may observe at any time

When: 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
8:30 a.m. Coffee & brain-food

9 a.m. Presentations and discussion on past work and future options

Noon Lunch break

1 p.m. Guiding principles for NCSD secondary school facilities

4 p.m. Summary and closing

4:30 p.m. **Recap**
Select design team members and charrette participants will recap the day's work and be available to discuss progress with community members until 6 p.m.

★ **Community Event**

Day 3 Thursday, May 5, 2011

Where: Casper Events Center

Why: Explore continuum of academies, learning communities, program placements, opportunities and challenges

Who: Charrette participants required to attend; community members may observe at any time

When: 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
8:30 a.m. Breakfast; topic conversations

9 a.m. Facilities that Enable Learning (small groups)

Noon Lunch break

1 p.m. NCSD High School Continuum (small groups)

4 p.m. Summary and closing

4:30 p.m. **Recap**
Select design team members and charrette participants will recap the day's work and be available to discuss progress with community members until 6 p.m.

★ **Community Event**

Charrette participants must commit to the full 2 1/2 days of workshops, plus three additional days May 24-26. All sessions are open to the public. Items marked with a star are specifically designed to gather input from community members who aren't on the design/charrette teams. The agenda is subject to change. If you have questions or would like to join this charrette team, please call (307) 253-5370.