

## **Secondary Education Council**

### November 4, 2020

- ACSA is proposing to state school board that standardized assessments are waived again this year.
- Employee leaves will sunset in December. There is a movement by all unions (not just in education) that these be renewed after the first of the year. Governor tends to listen to unions.
- Sub shortage--big issue that ACSA is aware of and trying to address
- Privacy issues--See ACSA website for resources regarding teacher and student privacy.
- Legislature will be back in session December 1st and things should start happening quickly after that.
- SPED lawsuits have increased across the state. Proportionality is an issue. If we are only providing a certain amount of minutes to gen ed students, we should not be expected to provide more than that to sped students.

#### This Year's Council Goals

Building the Leadership Capacity of High School Assistant Principals

Discussion: How are we using our APs? Possible AP Institute

ESSA, CA School Dashboard - College and Career Readiness? Dashboard has been suspended for this year. https://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/cm/documents/datareporteddashb oard.pdf

Can we help principals with training around collecting and analyzing CRI data? Should we focus more on advocating for a better measurement for college and career readiness.

#### Using NASSP's Building Ranks as a Framework for Improving Practice

- Lots of interest for equity and global mindedness ACSA Academies filled up so fast and could ACSA expand that.
- Human Capital Management evaluating employees and employee discipline
- Whole new way to evaluate people and is timely topic.

#### **Presentation & Discussion: In-Person School Opening**

# Guests: Ron Carruth, Superintendent, El Dorado Union HSD and Aaron Palm, Principal, Oak Ridge High School

#### From Ron Carruth:

- The key to successful opening to hybrid is strong communication between high school principals and the superintendent.
- We must know the definition of what constitutes a quarantine. Anyone within 6 feet for more than 15 minutes? Or the entire cohort? If it is the entire cohort, you cannot From Aaron Paul:
- Your reopening must align with county public health guidelines. Aaron has had multiple positive cases, but none have been transmitted during school.
- Aaron's faculty wants one thing, your classified wants another, and the community wants something else. This creates a negative, stressful school culture.
- "I am a high school principal and I will rely on the public health experts to tell us what we should do. If you have concerns or questions, I will ask the public health official. Public health will tell us who goes home, who is quarantined, etc. I am only the high school principal." -- Aaron
- We do not, and cannot defend public health decisions. Again, we are only educators following public health directives.
- Oakridge is using a conference room speaker and a webcam so that students at home and the students at school can both engage.
- ORHS is not socially distancing students at lunch.
- Aaron says to have your kids do AA/BB. He insists that AB/AB will be a disaster. We can reduce our infections by 50% this way. He really emphasized this.
- Some teachers are not able to live stream. These teachers MUST employ Flipped learning models. VAPA, CTE, Science, PE were some that could not Live Stream. They create videos. and use class time to check for understanding and assess.
- Get mental health support ready to go for when you return. You will need it.
- Choir and band are in tennis courts when weather is good. If it isn't, they are in classrooms doing music history, etc.
- Athletes cannot play on teams if they are not engaged in in-person learning. If they
  are concerned about being with students in class, then they shouldn't be on the
  field.
- Keep up staff morale. Food truck. Whatever it takes to make people feel welcome and supported.
- Teachers are expected to be on campus every Monday. Socially distanced.
- Only 10% of students have chosen to stay in distance learning.
- ORHS has lunch on campus. It cannot be socially distanced. Has 10 minute passing period. Recommends 7 minute passing periods.

#### Oak Ridge Hybrid Bell Schedule:

http://orhs.eduhsd.k12.ca.us/Our-School/About-Us/Bell-Schedule/index.html Live Stream Equipment: https://forms.gle/dwUrKQU5oc2etATT8