

## October 18, 2019

Dear BCS Parents and Staff,

As you may know, over the past month Los Altos School District (LASD) Trustees have been carrying out their community engagement process to decide on long-term facilities for Bullis Charter School (BCS). I'm pleased to share that BCS parents, staff, and community members have had a number of opportunities to engage - approximately 26% of the attendees at both charrettes were comprised of people from the BCS community.

There are additional chances to participate over the next few weeks. First, following our successful and productive conversations on September 23rd, we will be holding **two additional community engagement team meetings** for BCS parents and staff:

Monday, October 28th | 7:00pm - 8:00pm | BCS North Campus MPR Tuesday, October 29th | 8:30am - 9:30am | BCS North Campus MPR

These identical sessions are designed as an opportunity for BCS parents and staff to ask questions, hear from other BCS parents, and learn ways to engage at the upcoming LASD community engagement workshops (see below). In addition, BCS Board members will be present to answer questions and share their perspectives on the LASD community engagement process. Refreshments will be provided.

Second, in an effort to receive thorough and diverse feedback from the community, LASD has organized a **third charrette** that will be translated into Spanish, Mandarin, and Russian. The content covered will be the same as the previous two charrettes and is intended only for those that need Spanish, Mandarin or Russian translation. LASD is translating all materials into those languages and will have facilitators present.

**Tuesday, October 29th** | 6:00pm - 7:30pm | Santa Rita MPR (700 Los Altos Avenue)

Please <u>respond here</u> to let LASD know if you plan to attend the multilingual charrette. Multilingual invitations to this charrette can also be found at links here: <u>English</u>, <u>Spanish</u>, <u>Mandarin</u>, <u>Japanese</u>, and <u>Russian</u>.

Third, LASD will be hosting **community engagement workshops** in early November. While the charrettes were designed to generate ideas, the workshops are designed to discuss and evaluate these ideas to understand the options and ideas that are supported by the community. Two workshops will be held at the following times:

Saturday, November 2nd | 9:30am - 11:30am | Egan MPR Monday, November 4th | 6:30pm - 8:30pm | Blach MPR

**Just as with the charrettes, we strongly encourage the BCS community to attend one of these workshops.** It's crucial that BCS voices are represented in this conversation and that we have a say in the long-term facilities solution. The results of these workshops will be organized, summarized, and presented to LASD Trustees in January. For more info on LASD's process visit this website.













If you would like more info on BCS's community engagement process or timetable, please feel free to contact myself (<a href="mailto:jhurd@bullischarterschool.com">jhurd@bullischarterschool.com</a>), Dorothy An (<a href="mailto:dan@bullischarterschool.com">dan@bullischarterschool.com</a>), or Francis LaPoll (<a href="mailto:francislapoll@gmail.com">francislapoll@gmail.com</a>).

Warm regards,



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