

TK-8 District Transformation Updates: 3/8/24

Dear AUSD Parents, Guardians, Community Members, and Staff,

As part of our commitment to fostering a vibrant, supportive, and transparent educational community, I am reaching out to provide an update on our district's transformative journey as we transition to a TK-8 model. We understand that change, especially of this magnitude, can be accompanied by a blend of anticipation and uncertainty. We are embarking on a journey together, and it's important to us that we maintain empathy and understanding throughout this process.

We recognize that this is a period of adjustment for everyone involved—students, parents, educators, and community members alike. In navigating these changes, we are devoted to keeping you informed and involved every step of the way.

For this week, we're excited to share the following progress:

- Transitional Kindergarten curriculum and programs are being piloted.
- 6th-8th master scheduling and sports planning.
- Tk-K playgrounds conversation continues. We determined a great location, across from the classrooms, so our youngest students have an area to call their own.
- Tentative bell schedules and master teaching schedules are being drafted for all sites.
- Elective options for 6th-8th grade students will include Art, Band, Spanish, Communications, and VAPA.
- We are finalizing our sports offerings for students at all sites. An intramural league will incorporate a variety of sports and we are in discussion for league play next school year.
- Planning for the TK Roundup has begun. More details will follow as the principals and their staff finalize their dates, slide decks, and tour times!
- Our Information Technology department is developing a new copier software that will allow more people to print more easily than before.

For detailed information, I encourage you to visit our dedicated TK-8 Transformation page on the Auburn Union School District website. Here, you will find a wealth of resources designed to keep you informed and engaged as we move forward together.

It is through our collective efforts that we will navigate this transition successfully, ensuring a bright and promising future for all our students.

Warm regards,

Michelle Lucci Garcia and AUSD Team