

MONTEREY PENINSULA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

DATE: April 7, 2008

ITEM: **Presentation:** Blueprint for Success Focus Strategy: District Configuration Board and Community Forums Overview**RECOMMENDATION(S):**

Provide feedback and input into the assumptions that the District will be using to develop the District Configuration Implementation Plan.

DISCUSSION:

MPUSD has focused on strategic planning through the Blueprint for Success plan and has identified four strategies to address improvement efforts: Dynamic Workforce, Accountability, Professional Development and District Configuration. The District has been working hard to develop these plans and many actions have already begun implementation. One critical area is the way in which students are grouped or configured to promote the best learning environment that will promote effective transitions between grade levels and schools. The Blueprint for Success community team has determined that the way programs and schools are currently configured within the MPUSD District needs to be more consistent and equitable, thus a District Configuration Implementation Plan is needed to guide the District in future decisions.

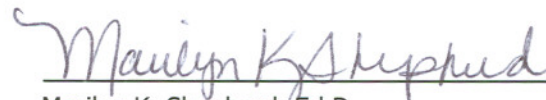
A school configuration sub-committee has provided recommendations based on best practices for how students should be grouped to meet their learning needs. These guidelines will be reviewed along with recommended parameters based upon input from the Board and community that will assist the Task Force and MPUSD staff in developing a District Configuration Implementation Plan for future decisions. Initial findings suggest there is a need to establish Learning Communities within different regions of the District. These Learning Communities would provide smooth transition from one school to another, align feeder patterns, and provide consistent and equitable access to programs.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Presentation only. Not applicable.

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