

BIG SPRING SCHOOL DISTRICT District Improvement Committee 2020-2021

The District Improvement Committee exists to provide a platform for the Big Spring School District administration and staff to communicate with the community and to solicit input and/or feedback on various district programs, services, or processes. Several enhancements have been made to the Committee structure to engage more members of the Big Spring Community.

The revised committee structure will include virtual engagements and will hopefully evolve into a blend of virtual and face-to-face engagements as progress is made with the pandemic. Three cycles of input and feedback will transpire throughout this school year. The three cycles will take place in the Fall, Winter, and Spring. The cycle will include the request to engage in a ThoughtExchange Survey followed a few weeks later by a virtual community forum (District Improvement Committee Meeting) to provide updates and information driven by participant requests in the ThoughtExchange Survey. Ultimately, the most desired topics for updates, will help to inform the agendas for the meetings.

The schedule for the exchanges and the meeting date / locations area as follows:

- Fall
 - October 12-23, 2020: ThoughtExchange Survey will be sent to the school community requesting topics to update
 - o November 5, 2020: Community Forum / District Improvement Committee Meeting
 - Location: Virtual Zoom
 - Meeting Agenda
 - 6:00PM Welcome / ThoughtExchange Top Thoughts Review
 - 6:10PM Information Sharing / Updates (Driven by ThoughtExchange Results)
 - 7:00PM Questions / Responses
 - 7:30PM Conclusion

• Winter

- December 7-18, 2020: ThoughtExchange Survey will be sent to the school community requesting topics to update
- o January 21, 2021: Community Forum / District Improvement Committee Meeting
 - Location: Virtual Zoom
 - Meeting Agenda
 - 6:00PM Welcome / ThoughtExchange Top Thoughts Review
 - 6:10PM Information Sharing / Updates (Driven by ThoughtExchange Results)
 - 7:00PM Questions / Responses
 - 7:30PM Conclusion

• Spring

- March 22 April 2, 2021: ThoughtExchange Survey will be sent to the school community requesting topics to update
- o April 22, 2021: Community Forum / District Improvement Committee Meeting
 - Location: Virtual Zoom
 - Meeting Agenda
 - 6:00PM Welcome / ThoughtExchange Top Thoughts Review

- 6:10PM Information Sharing / Updates (Driven by ThoughtExchange Results)
- 7:00PM Questions / Responses
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All community members are invited to engage in the ThoughtExchange and then attend the Committee Meeting web conferences. The anticipated benefits to this structure are to engage more stakeholders in the District Improvement Committee providing for greater input and feedback regarding the District and to leverage a dynamic platform for open communication.

Ultimately, this process could provide for better feedback from the community and greater transparency on the District's initiatives, goals, and focus areas.