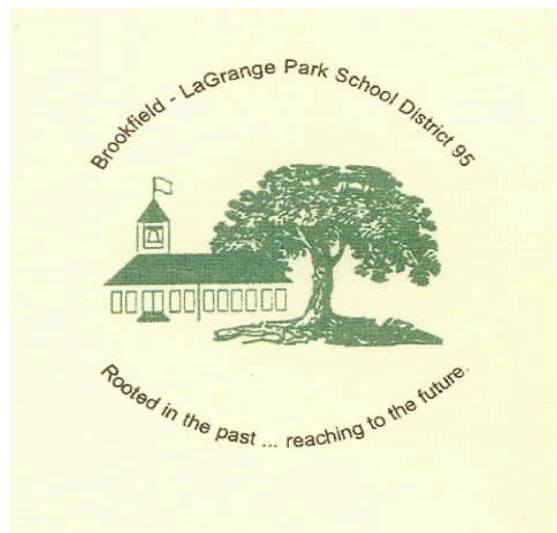


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Dr. Mark L. Kuzniewski
Superintendent



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Dear District 95 Community:

September marks the month when schools use a 6th day enrollment count for a number of state reports. This count helps schools across the state use a consistent means of monitoring student enrollment. Currently the district enrollment sits at 1179 as compared to 1147 at this time last year. When I arrived as Superintendent in the 2009-10 school year, our enrollment was 1023. You may remember that the district commissioned a demographic study to help predict enrollment numbers. The conservative estimate of student enrollment during this school year was 1174. If this trend continues to hold as it has for the past two years of the study, we would see as many as 1300 students by 2021.

With our 5th grade students settled into the new modular units, the short-term solution to our population explosion is in place. Steps to address our long-term solution are underway. Recently the Board voted to purchase a stand-alone office to serve as a new home for the current District office held at SEG. The building is located on Prairie Avenue within the boundaries of the District. There are two key reasons to move the District office. First, by moving the district office we will gain immediate classroom space at SEG. Second, long-range plans include a complete remodel of the area currently housing the District office that will eventually necessitate the District office being relocated. Providing that our anticipated time-line of the closing occurs, it is the goal to have the District office relocated by roughly the first of the year.

At its August 27th meeting, the Board reviewed an alternative building option to the K-2 Madlin Park concept. This new concept is a 4-5 building on existing district property at SEG. This concept would be combined with the renovation/expansion of SEG. This 4-5 concept is in its infancy stages and has not yet been developed to determine its feasibility. However, the initial concerns and hurdles with building on a property that we do not yet own warranted looking at a possible alternative.

In the coming months, there will be a lot of work that takes place to develop a concept that will benefit the community and students of District 95. There will be much discussion on several ideas that will certainly cause questions to be raised. I encourage you to seek answer to questions by contacting me directly and attending school board meetings. As we move forward, it will be paramount that the community has the correct information on the progress of the District.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "M. Kuzniewski". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped initial "M" and a long, sweeping underline.

Dr. Mark Kuzniewski
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