

West Bend Joint School District #1 Policy Manual

Chapter: Board Operations
Section: Operating Procedures
Title: High School Configuration Review Process
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The School Board recognizes the two high schools in one building concept as the operating structure in effect for the District. In the event this configuration is to be reviewed for future restructured configurations, the following process shall be enforced to ensure all stakeholders are involved in the process.

Step 1: Configuration Process Commencement

A member of the Board may request a discussion item be placed on a Board agenda to review the high school configuration. The discussion will include a review of the following process. The Board may place an action item on an upcoming Board agenda, at least four weeks later, to vote on engaging the process. Before the action item, the Superintendent will communicate the upcoming action item to the public.

Step 2: Task Force Recommendation

If approved, the Board will commission a task force comprised of parents, students, athletes, non-athletes, principals (all levels), athletic directors, Booster Club representatives, a representative of the Chamber of Commerce, alumni, teachers and community members at-large. The task force will recommend changes, if any, to the Board on the configuration of the high schools. The task force will gather input from community stakeholders, by means that could include, but are not limited to, surveys and focus groups. The task force will review academic, athletic, non-athletic extra-curricular, and scholarship factors, among other considerations, as the basis of their recommendation.

The task force shall have up to four months to make a recommendation to the Board. After the task force presents its recommendation, the Board votes on whether or not to accept the recommendation. If the Board votes not to change the high school configuration, this process ends. If the Board votes to further consider changes, it must proceed to Step 3 and Step 4 of this process.

Step 3: Non-Binding Referendum Requirement

Should the Board decide to further consider reconfiguration of the high schools, the Board must proceed to a non-binding referendum at the next Gubernatorial or Presidential election balloting.

Step 4: Board Approval of Reconfiguration

Following the outcome of the non-binding referendum, the Board shall permit public comment, pursuant to Board Policy 187, at four regularly scheduled meetings of the entire Board. Thereafter, the Board will determine whether any, or what, changes will be made to the configuration of the high schools.

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Policy Cross References:

187, Public Participation at Board Meetings

171.2, Construction of Agenda

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