

Board Briefs

August 3, 2021

Board Receives Update and Approves District Reopening Plan

At its August 3 meeting, the Board received an update on the District's [Reopening Plan](#). The plan has undergone a number of revisions over the course of the pandemic as new data and recommendations have become available.

The plan incorporates guidance from the Alameda County Public Health Department (ACPHD), the California Department of Public Health (CDPH), and the Centers for Disease Control (CDC). In the event the recommendations from these three agencies differ, the District will prioritize following local guidance first (ACPHD), then the state level (CDPH), and finally, national guidance (CDC).

The plan provides general parameters that our sites will follow as they begin the start of the 2021-22 school year. Due to the unique needs and circumstances at our sites, site-based plans may differ slightly. All site-reopening plans will align with the best practices described in the District's plan.

In an effort to ensure that the reopening of our schools was successful and safe, the District solicited input and questions regarding the start of school from all stakeholders. Input gathered was organized into a Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) document which can be found by [clicking here](#). Both the Reopening Plan and the FAQ will be updated as new information becomes available.

The Board Briefs are a summary of the August 3, 2021, Board Meeting and Links to Documents



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Meeting Agenda

[Click here](#) to see the full agenda for the August 3, 2021, meeting. Then click on the Tuesday, August 3, 2021, AGENDA link.

Meeting Information

For the 21-22 school year, meetings will be held in person at 34200 Alvarado-Niles Road. Community members may also view and participate virtually through Zoom. More information can be found on our website, mynhusd.org



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Upcoming Meetings

August 3, 2021

August 17, 2021

September 7, 2021

September 14, 2021

October 5, 2021

October 19, 2021

November 9, 2021

December 7, 2021

January 18, 2022

February 1, 2022

February 15, 2022

March 1, 2022

March 8, 2022

April 19, 2022

May 3, 2022

Board Reviews and Provides Feedback on Potential New District Logos

In the spring of 2021, the Board began the process of redesigning the District's logo. The Board partnered with a firm that worked in tandem with the Communication and Advocacy Board Committee to develop sample logos with inspiration coming from inspirational student submissions and a review of District initiatives and prior survey data. The initial set of logos was reviewed by the committee and the design firm was given feedback on changes that committee would like to see.

The Board received an update of the logo redesign process and was given an opportunity to provide feedback and input on the three potential designs. The designs and information about them can be found below:



New Haven Unified School District leads the way in cutting-edge education, enrichment activities, and programs that prepare East Bay students for success. This logo amplifies the strong sense of pride and tradition within the district culture and strongly reflects the innovative mindset of the district.

The key elements of this logo are the pathway to success and the star representing pride and innovation. The pathway within the logo also reflects the sense of community and inclusivity, welcoming all students to be part of the New Haven community.



New Haven Unified School District has a long tradition of excellence, highlighted by leadership and innovation in academic and enrichment programs. This logo was inspired by students who contributed their ideas about what the New Haven School District means to them.

The lightbulb featured in this logo is a clear mark of innovation. The "NH" within the logo represents the sense of pride and tradition within the district culture. And the surrounding circle reflect equity, diversity, and inclusivity -- all strong values and qualities the district strives to promote and uphold.



This logo represents 3 key themes:

1. The Uneven Playing Field: The reality is that not every student starts at the same place. We educate and value all students, regardless of their background and circumstances. To even out the starting points, we will target supports where they are needed the most.
2. Equitable Supports: In response to the uneven playing field, we believe that our commitment to equity demands that we place our supports where our students need them; to help raise them all to the High Bar of (E)quality.
3. The High Bar of (E)quality: We believe that when we apply equitable supports, the result will be an outcome that allows every student to thrive in the world that they will create. This is our North Star.

The Parallax: Not everything is how it seems. Where you stand depends on where you sit. Perspective is reality and the way we see the problem IS the problem. We believe that seeing the world through different lenses is the key to empathy and understanding; this is how our students will navigate the world.