

Letter from Cecily Harsch-Kinnane (APS Board member, District 3) and Paula Herrema (Inman Principal) regarding Community Task Force

Dear Grady Cluster School Community,

Happy summer! The purpose of this letter is to provide a brief update about the task force that has been formed to assist with the planning for a long term solution to address overcrowding at the middle school level in the Grady cluster. The task force will have its first meeting on July 10th and will then meet regularly throughout the summer and into the fall. The goal is to have a rational and workable solution identified this fall. The task force will be a working group - comprised of parents, faculty, APS administration, and APS board members - that will provide input and feedback as the information and data pertaining to possible solutions are presented and analyzed; the final decision as to a solution will be made by APS. The task force co-chairs are Karen Waldon, APS Deputy Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction, and Larry Hoskins, APS Deputy Superintendent of Operations. There are 12 parent representatives on the task force - two each from Centennial Place, Springdale Park, Hope-Hill, Morningside, Mary Lin, and Inman. The 2011-2012 PTA Presidents and LSC Chairs attended a meeting to hear about the role and purpose of the task force and the role of task force members; they were then asked to share this information with their respective boards and councils and together designate the representatives from their schools. We appreciate the help in assembling the group and the willingness of those that will be serving in the role - we are now looking forward to getting to work! Once the task force meetings are underway, the school representatives will be responsible for sharing pertinent information with their school community.

Thank you for your involvement in the schools!

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