Education Summit

Tuesday, November 10, 2015
7pm – 9:30pm @ Columbia High School

Dr. John J. Ramos, Sr.
Superintendent

Presented October 19, 2015
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7:00—9:30pm
Columbia High School
17 Parker Avenue ~ Maplewood, NJ

Education Summit

Join us for a community-wide dialogue to help create our District’s Strategic Plan!

The evening will begin in the auditorium with Superintendent Dr. John J. Ramos, Sr., sharing how the Summit will inform the District’s Strategic Planning Process. Participants will then choose an issue to discuss in a smaller group session. These facilitated groups will discuss priorities and possible actions to move that issue forward. The data collected in these small groups will later be used to develop our District’s Strategic Plan.

Help Chart the Future of SOMSD! Every Voice Matters!

Topics will include:
- Innovative Approaches to Learning
- The Achievement Gap
- Global Education
- Gifted & Talented
- School Safety
- Special Education
- And More...

Have a suggestion for a topic? Let us know!
http://tinyurl.com/SOMSDEducationSummit

Free Childcare Available
For children ages 3 & up
Please Email to reserve a childcare spot:
kweiland@somsd.k12.nj.us

Translators
Available at Check In
Transportation
Shuttle Bus Pick Ups at 6:30pm and 6:45pm at the parking lots of Maplewood Pool and South Orange Middle School
Education Summit

• Key variable in creating a Strategic Plan for SOMSD
• Bring stakeholders from across the community together to discuss:
  – Where are we headed as a district?
  – What do we want to see in SOMSD?
  – What are the outcomes expected?
• Use the data collected to inform the Strategic Plan
• Report back regularly on progress
Steering Committee of Stakeholders

• Achieve Foundation
• ASCA
• BoE Student Rep
• Community Coalition on Race
• MAC Scholars
• Presidents’ Council
• Sage Consultants
• SEPAC
• Seton Hall
• SOM Adult School
• SOMA Black Parents Workshop
• SOMEA
• Special Ed PTO
• CHS Student Council
• YMCA
• YouthNet
Community Outreach

Stakeholder Groups
- CHS Students
- Staff
- Parents/Families
- Community Groups
  - Educational Entities
  - Elected Officials
  - Neighborhood Associations
  - Religious Groups

Approaches
- Email
- Flyers around towns
- Paper flyers through backpacks (Elementary)
- Personal outreach from community leaders
- Posters at schools
- Press
- School Messenger calls
- Social Media
- Website
Making the Summit Accessible

• **Free transportation from central locations**
  – Maplewood Pool Parking Lot
  – South Orange Middle School Parking Lot
  – Pick ups 6:30pm and 6:45pm, return trips at end

• **Free childcare for children 3+**
  – Reserve a spot in advance by emailing kweiland@somsd.k12.nj.us

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Proposed Topics

- 504 Plans
- Academic Placement
- Access & Equity
- Achievement Gap
- After School Opportunities/Extended School Day
- Athletics & Extracurricular Activities
- Blow up the plan
- Capital Improvement/Facilities
- Career Prep/Alternative Paths
- CHOICE at high school
- CHS School Hours
- Class Size
- Creating a District Culture of respect, high expectations, support, and innovation
- Cultural Competency
- Curriculum Alignment
- Deep engagement and exhilarating experiences
- Developing Leadership
- Engaging all families and supporting participation events/initiatives
- Future of CHS
- Gifted & Talented
- Global Education
- Increasing the graduation rate
- Innovation & Creating Innovators
- Marshall/Jefferson Pairing
- Minimizing Impact of Adult Issues on Students (contracts, policy, logistics, etc.)
- Parent/School Connections
- Partnering with Outside/Community Organizations
- Personalized learning plans
- Preschool – targeted high-quality
- Professional Development
- Profiling Black Students
- Redistricting
- Reimagining Seth Boyden
- Residency
- Resources – How Do We Offer More With Less/Maximizing Dollars Without Sacrificing Quality
- Rethinking Education/Reimagining What Public Education Is
- School Safety/community support of SRO in the buildings
- School Support of Boys’ Development
- Social / Emotional Learning
- Special Education
- STEM
- Supporting students in post CHS studies
- Supports for Struggling Students
- World languages
- Writing across the curriculum