

MISD Learning Forward Teams

Values Vision and Mission

As we prepare to reopen our schools from the closure due to the COVID 19 pandemic, we must build our plan based on our MISD Values, Vision and Mission. Recommendations and considerations must ask if each supports the values that must be embedded in our system for educating the whole child.

Values

Students are the priority. We believe in:

- Supporting the whole child
- Creating inclusive and equitable learning settings
- Ensuring our school communities are safe and supportive
- Providing rigorous and challenging learning

Vision

Inspiring our students to be lifelong learners as they create their futures.

Mission

The District will foster learning by engaging students in thinking critically, solving problems creatively, and working collaboratively.

Considerations for Work Group Formation and Participants

- Certificated and classified voices
- Equity Lens
- Diverse Perspectives
- Balance of experience
- Classroom Teachers
- Coaches
- Special Education
- ESA
- Specialist
- MIEA Rep
- Parent representatives (applications)

WORK GROUPS/TEAMS

Future School Advisory

The Future School Advisory will review the final proposal for re-opening Mercer Island School Districts for student learning for the 2020 - 2021 school year.

Donna Colosky	Superintendent
Kendall Taylor	Exec. Assistant
Deborah Lurie	Board President
Maggie Tai Tucker	Board Vice President
Fred Rudle	Asst. Superintendent, Learning Services
Erin Battersby	Exec. Director, Legal & Human Resources
Ty Bergstrom	Exec. Director, Finance & Operations
Sally Loeser	MIEA President
Sarah LeClerq	PTA Council President
Stephanie Parmenter	PTA Council President
Tony Kuhn	Director, Maintenance & Operations
Jody Lee	SEAC Member (Parent: IMS/MIHS)
Robin Li	SEAC Member (Parent: WM)
Amy Lavin	JCC
Becky Shaddle	Boys and Girls Club
Paul Noone	Student Board Rep. (2019-21)
Megan Dawson	Student Board Rep. (2020-22)

Elementary, Middle and High School Learning Forward Work Groups

The Learning Forward Work Groups at each level (Elementary, Middle and High) are tasked with defining what learning will look like at each of the three levels. Planning and preparation should be in the following prioritized order to begin:

1. Remote platform
2. Hybrid of remote and in building instruction
3. Back in school buildings

Elementary Learning Forward Work Group

Aimee Batliner-Gillette (Team Co-lead)	Principal (NW)
David Hoffman (Team Co-lead)	Principal (IP)
Carol Best	Principal (WM)
Heidi Christensen	Principal (LR)
Nova Williams	Asst. Director, Learning Services
Beth DeGrace	Asst. Director, Special Services
Melanie Ready	Associate Principal (Elem.)
Kerry Sundholm	Kindergarten Teacher (NW)
Kristina Getty	1st Grade Teacher (LR)
Suzana Nguyen	2nd Grade Teacher (LR)
Tiffany Nelson	3rd Grade Teacher (NW)
Ahisha Avant	4th Grade Teacher (IP)
Chris Cocklin-Ray	5th Grade Teacher (WM)
Clara Kurtenbach	Specialist (WM)
Elizabeth Ohvall	Special Ed./ESA/PLP (IP)
Lisa Bienstock	Coach (LR)
Heidi Clark	Coach (NW)
Julie Hovind	IT Coach
Andy Hamp	MIEA Rep
Tammy Hackett	Classified (WM; Resource)
Jamie Huynh	Parent (IP - 1st; 3rd; 5th HC)

Sarah Hansen	Parent (LR- 4th; 6th)
Sandy Sun	Parent (NW - Kx2; 2nd)
Soyun Chow	Parent (WM- 3rd HC; 6th)

Middle School Learning Forward Work Group

Mary Jo Budzius (Team Co-lead)	Co-Principal
Aaron Miller (Team Co-lead)	Co-Principal
Weston Lucas	Associate Principal
Justin Talmadge	Interim Assoc.Principal
Emily Mills	Coach
Kat Kuszak	Coach
Dave Bentley	Elective Teacher
Melissa Gaffney	ELA
Lauren Dolby	Math
Taylor Gall	Science
Kui Sendlakowski	
Litza Johnson	Social Studies
Jayna Dash	Special Education Teacher or ESA
Francine Teel	Classified
Bruce Harrington	MIEA Rep
Jamie Prescott	Director, Learning Services
Sue Ann Bube	Director, Special Services
Pam Hinnen	Parent (5th Grade)
Dawn Dunn	Parent (6th Grade)
Gwen Loosmore	Parent (7th Grade)

High School Learning Forward Team

Walter Kelly (Team Co-lead)	Principal
Nick Wold (Team Co-lead)	Associate Principal
Lisa Deen	Associate Principal
[TBD]	Associate Principal
Sue Ann Bube	Director, Special Services
Clay Laughary	Coach
Brian Hampsch	Coach
Kimberly Griggs	CREST
Patty Weston	Science
Ed Puchalla	Social Studies
Christie Kenyon	SPED
Jen McLellan	CCR
Kate Yoder	Math
Leslie Seelye	English
Gavin Cree	PE
Lara Fitzgerald	World Languages
Parker Bixby Kyle Thompson (alternate for July)	Fine Arts
Toby Swanson	ASB
Kate Halter & Sarah Shannon (Co-members)	Paraeducator
Irina Yurina	Classified
Michelle Hayes & Creighton Laughary	MIEA Reps
Thomas Welch	Counselor

Fred Rundle	Asst. Superintendent
Andreeves Ronser	Director, Information Technology
Liz Evans	Parent (12th Grade)
Jody Lee	Parent (11th Grade)
Eunyoung Kim	Parent (10th Grade)
Michelle Dumler	Parent (9th Grade)
Noah Hendelman Nate Cadicamo (alternate)	Student (12th Grade)
Kayla Levin Emily Porter (alternate)	Student (11th Grade)
Brooks Kahsai Andrew Howison (alternate)	Student (10th Grade)
Kathy Shao Stella Chen (alternate)	Student (9th Grade)

Assessment Team

The assessment team will work with each level to support the research, implementation, and analysis of student learning data to inform progress at the student, building, and district levels.

- Benchmark assessments
- Interim Assessments in place of SBA testing in 2019-2020

Amanda Higgins	LSP (LR)
Kristin Kim	ELL
Katy Gibson	Coach (NW)
Trina Sherman	NW Teacher (K-5th)
Stephanie John-Lewis	IP Teacher (K-5th)
Alyssa Alexander	Teacher (6th-8th Grades)
Kathy Shaner	Teacher (6th-8th Grades)
Kati McConn	Teacher (9th-12th Grades)

Michelle Hayes	Teacher (9th-12th Grades)
Lisa Deen and Heidi Christensen	Principal Rep.

Instructional Technology Team

The Instructional Tech Team will support buildings and levels in the development and deployment of technological solutions to online, hybrid, or in school learning as schools prepare for 2020-2021.

Andreeves Ronser	Director, Information Technology
Nick Stafford	Network Engineer
[Name]	Site Techs
Julie Hovind and Kara Millsap	IT Coach Elementary
Kat Kuszak	IT Coach IMS
Clay Laughary	IT Coach MIHS

Special Services and Inclusive Education Team

Sue Ann Bube (Lead)	Director, Special Services
Beth DeGrace	Asst. Director, Special Services
Nova Williams	Asst. Director, Learning Services
Hannah Bolivar	Instructional Coach
Andrea Confalone	Special Education Teacher (MIHS)
Brenna Nelson	Special Education Teacher (Elem.)
Carole Azose	MISD SLP/Speech
Heather Tamblyn	Special Education Teacher (IMS)
Jen Anderson	MISD Occupational Therapist

Simone Carmel	MISD Psychologist
Elizabeth Ohvall	Special Education Teacher, Elementary PLP
Julie Riccio	Instructional Coach
Hillary Johnson	Special Education Teacher, Early Childhood
April McNeill	Special Education Teacher, Early Childhood
Karin Shelton	Special Education Teacher, HS ATP
Mike Neff	District Psychologist
Nicki Winder	Instructional Coach
Rebekah June	Paraprofessional, Early Childhood
Tammy Hackett	Paraprofessional, Elementary
Jayna Dash	Counselor (IMS)
Jeff Jones	Counselor (MIHS)
Jessica Lee	Special Education Teacher (IMS)
Kay Walker	LAP teacher (WM)
Lisa Deen	Associate Principal (MIHS)
Jennifer Crespi	Parent (Elem.)
Jill Hawkins	Parent (IMS; MIHS)

Professional Learning Team

The Professional Learning Team will be responsible for collaborating with schools to develop ongoing professional learning to support online, hybrid, and classroom instruction during the recovery process in 2020-2021.

Fred Rundle (Co-Lead)	Asst. Superintendent, Learning Services
Jamie Prescott (Co-Lead)	Director, Learning Services
Danae Burger	Instructional Coach

Matt Lavigne	Instructional Coach
Julie Newcomer	Instructional Coach
Clay Laughary	Instructional Technology Coach
Kara Millsap	Instructional Technology Coach
IP-Jordan Jacobsen, WM-Katie Gallagher	Teacher (K-2nd)
NW-Lopa Jacob, LR-Jennifer Wytaske	Teacher (3rd-5th)
Renee DeBock	Teacher (IMS)
Deana Wiatr	Teacher (MIHS)
Carol Best	Principal (Elem.)
Weston Lucas	Associate Principal (IMS)
Nick Wold	Associate Principal (MIHS)
Julie Riccio	Special Services Rep.

OPERATIONS TEAMS

Finance

The Finance Team will be responsible for supporting all teams through monitoring and estimating costs related to suggested implementation of strategies for reopening school for 2020 2021.

Ty Bergstrom	Exec. Director, Finance & Operations
Jacque Garcia-Fauver	Budget Coordinator
Kathleen Dolorin	Accounting Coordinator
Erin Anderson	Payroll Coordinator

Transportation

The Transportation Team will work within the health and safety regulations of Public Health to create scenarios for transporting students to and from school within the current resources available (ie. numbers of drivers and buses).

Patrick Rock/Dave Bynum (Co-Lead)	Director, Transportation
Ty Bergstrom	Exec. Director, Finance & Operations
Tony Kuhn	Director, Maintenance & Operations
Jay Little	Dispatcher
Tim Taylor	Bus Mechanic
Alvin Reyes	Bus Driver
[Name]	MIEA Rep
NW-Emer Nolan	Nurse (as needed)
Beth DeGrace	Asst. Director, Special Education
	MIPD

Facilities

This team will work closely with Health and Safety to determine how any regulations from public health (county and state levels) will impact use of facilities.

Tony Kuhn (Lead)	Director, Maintenance & Operations
Joe Gonzalez	Custodial Foreman
Steve Baird	Maint Foreman
Ty Bergstrom	Exec. Director, Finance & Operations
Heidi Christensen	Principal (Elem.)
Aaron Miller	Principal (MS)
Nick Wold	Principal (HS)

	MIEA Rep
Karla Rimmer	Nurse
Shannon Allen	Custodian

Food Service

Carol Bus	Director, Food Services
Tony Kuhn	Director, Maintenance & Operations
Kecia Vineyard	Admin. Assistant, Food Services
Cornelius Williams	Head Custodian
Kelly John-Lewis/Marcus Tibbs Mindi Oberg	Security Liaison (MIHS/IMS)
Nancy Ulrich	Lunchroom Para
Karla Rimmer	Nurse
Betsy Harmening	Nurse

Health and Safety

This team works to align with Public Health (County and State) to consider best practices for health and safety of students and staff. Close collaboration with other teams will be critical as potential regulations are determined and the impact on other elements of each of the team's work will be critical.

Donna Colosky (Co Leader)	Superintendent
Ty Bergstrom (Co Leader)	Exec. Director, Finance & Operations
Tony Kuhn	Director, Maintenance & Operations
Rosie Burns	Director, Human Resources
Karla Rimmer	Nurse
Shelley Sage	Nurse
Joe Gonzalez	Custodial Lead

Tony Ham	Head Custodian (Elem)
Sang Le	Head Custodian (MS)
Shannon Allen	Head Custodian (HS)
LR-Kerri Goldner, WM-Lynn Lawrence	Elementary Admin. Assistant
Alison Monen	IMS Admin. Assistant
Susan Robinson	MIHS Admin. Assistant
	MIEA Rep
Elizabeth Evans	Parent/ Health Professional