

Board Report

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Jim Knott – High School Principal DC West High School

Fall activities are in full swing and it is good to have students in the building again. What a difference a year makes! Last year we were very overcrowded with Middle and High School students heavily sharing the same spaces. Now, although we still do share a few spaces and teachers, it is very nice to have the separation back. School spirit from both students and community members seems to be at an all-time high with the recent success of our sports and activity teams. The Homecoming Football crowd was the largest I can remember since I arrived at DC West in 2012.

As you can see from the enrollment numbers at the bottom of this report, we are definitely seeing growth at the high school. This year's freshman and eighth grade classes are both above 90 and will most certainly push us up over the 350 enrollment mark by next school year. Luckily we have prepared for the larger numbers by adding teachers and sections in order to keep our class numbers manageable and electives plentiful. We will continue to keep a close eye on staffing in the upcoming years to ensure that we can provide the high-quality education DC West is known for.

A few events that will soon be happening at DCWHS

*Parent-Teacher Conferences – October 18 (3:45-7:45) & 19 (12:30-8:00)

*Pre-ACT Testing for 9th, 10th, & 11th graders – October 25

9-12 High School Enrollment Numbers

2016/17 School Year - 270 (1/10/17)

2017/18 School Year - 284 (1/3/18)

2018/19 School Year - 294 (1/14/19)

2019/20 School Year - 289 (8/12/19)

2020/21 School Year - 301 (9/3/20)

2021/22 School Year - 311 (9/7/21)

2022/23 School Year - 302 (9/7/22)

2023/24 School Year – 335 (9/6/23)