

**Central Union High School District
Superintendent Responses to DELAC Questions and/or Comments
DELAC Meeting – May 21, 2015**

Questions:

- 1. How can I know if my child can attend summer school (Translated)?**

Superintendent Response:

Every year, schools send communication regarding District summer school programs and student eligibility. In addition, communication includes enrollment procedures for eligible students and contact information for school personnel. Parents are encouraged to contact their child's school to inquire about extended learning opportunities.

Comments:

- 2. Tutors that are prepared; Teachers that care for their students; Teachers that have a better way to speak to children (profanity or screaming); and Teachers that are careful when issuing grades and reviewing homework (Translated).**

Superintendent Response:

As required by Educational Code, the CUHSD does its due diligence in recruiting and hiring credentialed and highly qualified paraprofessionals and teachers. The District believes it has staff that cares, are diligent in carrying out their duties, and that continually participates in professional development opportunities to refine their craft. If parents ever feel or perceive that a staff member mistreats a student or uses unfair grading practices, then parents should contact school administration to express their concerns.

- 3. Increase classes and opportunities to alleviate classes that are full (Translated).**

Superintendent Response:

Each school provides ALL students with a full schedule and makes a concerted effort to place students in classes/programs of choice. The District is proud to announce that both SHS and CUHS is increasing the number of elective courses and pathways (as described in the LCAP).

- 4. My suggestion is to continue to support students specially students that are socio-economically disadvantaged and students with disabilities in Special Education (Translated).**

Superintendent Response:

The District continues to increase extended learning opportunities for at-risk students by hiring more tutors to support students during the day and afterschool; hiring additional staff in math and English to reduce class size and improve the student to teacher ratio; increasing after school classes/programs; increasing remedial sessions during the year and summer school; increasing counseling services; increasing the instructional day; and purchasing additional technology.

Comments with one Superintendent Response:

- 5. Excellent opportunity for students (Translated).**

I think this is a great program that can help my daughter succeed (Translated).

District programs are good for all migrant students (Translated).

Only to congratulate you for this program and to express appreciation for the effort put forth for my daughter (Translated).

Excellent opportunity for students (Translated).

Superintendent Response:

Our staff works diligently to provide exceptional programs. We appreciate our partnership with parents as it makes our programs stronger. CUHSD is committed to excellence!

**Central Union High School District
Superintendent Responses to PAC Questions and/or Comments
PAC Meeting – May 28, 2015**

Comments:

- 6. Install a shade structure for lunch and have good food for students (at Desert Oasis) (Translated).**

Superintendent Response:

It is the District's intent to add a shade structure and a Diner at Desert Oasis to enhance the lunch program (see LCAP).

- 7. I think the best way to be successful with these goals is communication. I suggest that the schools automatically register parents to the Aeries Portal to ensure that parents access student information and provide a better intervention. Today I learned so many things that I did not know. For example, the school can waive test fees for low income students. There are so many resources that we don't use. Thanks.**

Superintendent Response:

Communication is the key to a strong partnership with parents. The option to access Aeries exists for parents. Parents simply have to provide their child's school with an email address at the beginning of the school year, and the school will establish a link for parents to access attendance, behavior, and academic information during the year.

- 8. I would like more cameras installed at the school sites in strategic places and problematic places.**

Superintendent Response:

Supervision and safety is a District priority. There are plans to purchase and install many cameras at our school sites to expand supervision and deter people from vandalizing our school grounds.

- 9. Desert Oasis needs a police officer (Translated).**

Superintendent Response:

Currently, the District contracts two School Resource Officers (SRO's) which are house at CUHS and SHS. Both officers are available upon request for Desert Oasis. The District places the SRO's at both comprehensive high schools as each school has approximately 2,000 students compared to approximately 200 students at Desert Oasis. Desert Oasis has a community liaison that provides

security services and has been very successful at diffusing misconduct. Parents and members of the community are encouraged to be vigilant and report any problems to the school site as soon as possible.

10. There needs to be summer school (Translated).

Superintendent Response:

Summer school is offered every year at either SHS or CUHS for eligible students enrolled in the District. Every year, schools send communication regarding District summer school programs and student eligibility. In addition, communication includes enrollment procedures for eligible students and contact information for school personnel. Parents are encouraged to contact their child's school to inquire about extended learning opportunities.

11. There needs to be tutoring services for parents.

Superintendent Response:

Desert Oasis High School offers adult education. Specifically, Desert Oasis offers GED and vocational programs. Parents are encouraged to contact the District's Adult Education Principal, Tish Thomson, for more information.

12. My daughter is better and happy that she increased her credits (Translated)

Superintendent Response:

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Comments with one Superintendent Response:

13. To expand the tutoring longer because it really worked for my daughter. Since she started with the tutoring in the library with the tutor, her grade in math went up. She had a tutor for a few weeks only. To expand the tutoring for both semesters especially math, English and science.

Increase tutoring services for English Learners to help them pass the exam (Translated).

There is a need for tutoring after school (Translated).

Superintendent Response:

It is the District's intent to increase the number of tutors to provide services in major content areas during the day and after school to our English Language Learners, Foster Youth, Socio-Economically Disadvantaged Students, and Special Education Students.