

September 18, 2023

Dear SAISD Familia,

Tonight, your school was named in our initial recommendation package to the board. We recognize the deep connection families have with their schools, and we are approaching this process with a heavy heart, fully understanding the range of emotions you may be feeling. This decision was not made lightly, but it is driven by our long-term vision of enhancing the educational experience for all students so that every child has access to the best facilities and resources.

Now that the trustees have received our initial recommendations, we will spend the next two months having conversations with you. Our goal is to be thoughtful and thorough in our analysis, making sure that we have considered these initial recommendations from all perspectives. Through continuous engagement, we will strive to build a collective vision in which the decisions made align with the best interests of the entire SAISD *familia*. Only after meeting with each campus affected by this recommendation package will we take a final recommendation to the board on Monday, Nov. 13.

Please see a schedule of meetings on our website at www.saisd.net/rightsizing.

Throughout this period, we ask for your understanding, and we believe the best way to earn it is by demonstrating our unwavering commitment to you. We have assigned a team dedicated to working your school community – both families and staff – to ensure you have accurate information, and that you know and are aware of every opportunity available to you.

Our promise to you remains steadfast. We will stand by your side throughout this process and beyond. Your well-being, concerns, and contributions are our top priorities.

Respectfully, Jaime Aquino, Ph.D. Superintendent

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