



## San Juan High Measure N Signature Project Forum Report

### Summary

San Juan Unified held a Measure N Signature Project Forum at San Juan High School on Tuesday, Oct. 21, 2014 in the Family Resource Room.

Staff delivered a short Power Point Presentation to a group of five participants and discussed three previously identified Signature Project ideas for San Juan: Collaborative/flexible/21<sup>st</sup> Century classrooms, Outdoor learning spaces, and an all-weather track. Staff also took questions and comments from the participants.

### Small Group results

With only five participants, the focus of the meeting shifted to a roundtable discussion about each of the previously identified projects and how those ideas would improve the campus. The group expressed strong interest in both 21<sup>st</sup> Century classrooms and upgrades to the stadium. The group expanded the stadium upgrades idea to include both an all-weather track and a synthetic turf field. At the end, Sr. Director of Facilities Frank Camarda referred to Principal Gloria Ervin to find out which project should be declared the No.1 priority for San Juan. Mrs. Ervin said 21<sup>st</sup> Century classrooms were the preferred choice for the high school. Community participants were asked if they had any objections to 21<sup>st</sup> Century classrooms as San Juan's preferred choice. There were no objections. They indicated that their second choice would be stadium upgrades. Creation of outdoor space on campus did not draw interest from the Thursday night participants.

## **Key points (listed in no particular order):**

Why is an all-weather track/stadium upgrade needed at San Juan High:

- Community connection/community use
- Draw students to the school
- Physical Education and physical fitness
- San Juan currently uses community college facilities
- Current track is not suitable for meets/does not meet CIF guidelines

Needed features for a track/stadium upgrade:

- All-weather
- Restrooms
- Safety upgrades
- All features of track: long jump, shot put, discus, etc.

Why outdoor learning spaces are needed

- Expansion of current outdoor space
- Many courses use outdoor learning

Needed features of outdoor learning spaces

- Access to outdoor spaces from classrooms
- Breezeways
- Shade structures
- Benches/tables

Why 21<sup>st</sup> Century classrooms are needed at San Juan

- Better access to the internet/access to the world
- CTE pathway programs – responsive to the job world
- Design thinking
- Science classrooms are outdated

Needed features in 21<sup>st</sup> Century classrooms

- Flexible space
- Technology
- Flexible furniture
- Ability to move walls and expand space/connect classrooms
- Lighting
- Sustainable features/energy efficient

## Questions and Answers

**Q: If we choose 21<sup>st</sup> Century Classrooms as our project, but the cost to modernize all of the classrooms at San Juan High is too much for a Signature Project budget, will our project get scrapped?**

**A:** No. If staff recommends 21<sup>st</sup> Century classrooms for San Juan, we will design a project that renovates as many classrooms as possible within an appropriate budget.

**Q: Will you renovate many classrooms with small improvements or a few classrooms with major improvements?**

**A:** For a Signature Project, we would make major improvements to a selected number of classrooms.

**Q: San Juan High has received \$41 million in upgrades in recent years. The community has heard the school will not get a Signature Project. Is that true?**

**A:** Staff is going to recommend a Signature Project for San Juan High. Where that project lands in the loading order of all of our Signature Projects has yet to be determined.

**Q: Can we assume that since San Juan has received a lot of upgrades already, that we'll be the last school to get a Signature Project?**

**A:** A loading order for projects has not been decided, or even fully discussed. The order for projects will not be determined until after staff meets with all nine principals, the Superintendent's cabinet, and the board. The final decision will be made in public session by the Board of Education.