Keep Moorlands Open

Family Meeting | Monday, November 2, 2026
5:30 p.m. Pacific | Moorlands Gym

Our request: Give keeping Moorlands open a fair, documented comparison before choosing a campus to close. The Board has not made a final closure decision.

What the evidence shows

The growth forecast needs explaining. The June plan projects K-5 enrollment rising from **9,518 to 10,271** by 2031-32. Its October 2026 forecast was 9,607; actual enrollment was **9,208 - 399 fewer**. This is a districtwide high-range forecast, not a prediction of Moorlands growth. [1, 2]

Moorlands has capacity worth testing. The facilities plan lists **510 permanent instructional seats** at Moorlands and 326 at Arrowhead. The proposed western group has 463 projected residents in 2028-29. Residents and seats are different measures; room and service plans must confirm the fit. [1, 3]

Transfers do not establish savings. Staff anticipated retaining most positions through transfers and attrition. The study session did not quantify Moorlands-specific net savings. Staff also said both campuses may need rebuilding and favored Arrowhead for future expansion; a possible 2030 bond was not approved funding. [4]

Questions to ask the district

1. What changed in the forecast? Reconcile the June growth plan with October counts and closure scenarios, by neighborhood and grade. Show capacity after each proposed closure.

2. Will you evaluate keeping Moorlands? Test serving the same proposed western student group at Moorlands and Arrowhead, with the same service standards and financial assumptions. Publish the results.

3. What would the district actually save? Show eliminated and reassigned positions, added receiving-school and bus costs, transition expenses, and continuing costs at the closed campus.

4. What makes one site more practical? Compare engineered layouts and costs, including acquired Moorlands land, park and church access, Arrowhead slopes, and school operations before and during any rebuild. What if funding is delayed?

5. How will children and families be protected? Publish room and service plans, safe travel arrangements, cohort and sibling effects, and protections against repeated school moves.

6. When can families review the full comparison? Provide a written response to alternatives and material questions. We request at least 30 days before a final campus vote; this is our proposal, not a legal deadline.

Sources and the full proposal

[1] June 22 facilities plan, pp. 9, 14, 20-21. [2] October 2026 enrollment, p. 1.
[3] October 26 EDAC presentation, p. 28. [4] Study session, 33:52-34:37 and 45:41-48:36. Caption-based paraphrases; consult the recording. Source links and detail are in Revision 2.

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