



San Antonio School for Inquiry and Creativity

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Parents, Guardians, and Interested Community Members,

I want to thank everyone that contributed to our major restructuring plan that has been in ongoing planning status since November 2008. This plan will go into effect immediately if our campus goes into Stage 5 AYP status. This reconstruction initiative could commence as soon as the 2009-2010 school year.

I know the restructuring team and contributors have worked hard in developing and finalizing a solid restructuring plan that is relevant to our students' educational needs. Through the restructuring process and the implementation of the plan San Antonio School for Inquiry and Creativity will strive to continue to improve how academic content is taught by targeting student's weaknesses early in the school year and the integration of the new CSCOPE curriculum. Restructuring team members and contributors deemed that it was of utmost importance that the San Antonio School for Inquiry and Creativity include the curriculum component of CSCOPE as a restructuring element that is based on best practice models from top researchers as well as being customized for Texas schools. This will ensure that all instructors in all grades levels will be provided lesson plans that are aligned with the TEKS/TAKS while meeting the highest standards of rigor and relevance.

Restructuring Team members and contributors also believed that a change in the school day structure was needed where additional classes will be set up to target math and science skills in the lower grades and high school students will be grouped and taught in Smaller Learning Communities (SLC). The richness and comprehensiveness of this solid curriculum and the camaraderie of the SLC setting and targeted classes will be enriched with added expeditionary academic competencies into a career based marketing curriculum, the arts and community service and integrating its real-world content and applied methods and examples into traditional academic classes.

San Antonio School for Inquiry and Creativity Restructuring Team believes that coordinating career education/higher education readiness programs in tandem with expeditionary educational art and community service programs that address the special conditions that place individual students at risk will provide better outcomes than programs solely devoted to general education. The study of Marketing in particular will provide a multitude of innovative career-ready levels such as Advertising, Marketing Research, Marketing Communication, Product Development & Management, Public Relations, Retailing, Sales, and as such will provide a multitude of creative skills and insights into professional and social life. For example, students will gain the skills necessary to hone knowledge and skills acquired in the academics such as writing, science, and math to execute career explorations, learn to write a letter of application, arrange and practice for a job interview, study consumerism, and evaluate and enhance personal skills and abilities in relation not only to the job market and higher education but also in creative entrepreneurial critical thinking skills.

We welcome all your suggestions and support as we continue to strive to provide the most relevant and rich education for our students. Please contact Mr. Shawn White at (210) 738-0020 if you would like to view the finalized Restructuring plan in its entirety.

Thank you for your support

Dr De Leon