Alternative Schedules/Changing Bell Times & How It Impacts Transportation - Who to Involve in the Decision

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### Agenda

✓ Introduction ✓ Large Scale Change ✓ Key Stakeholder Input ✓ methods ✓ how and when Communication ✓ Implementation – project planning



#### My journey....

- Bus Driver
- Teacher
- Principal
- Ass't Supt
- Chief of Operations
- Chief of Staff
- Consultant

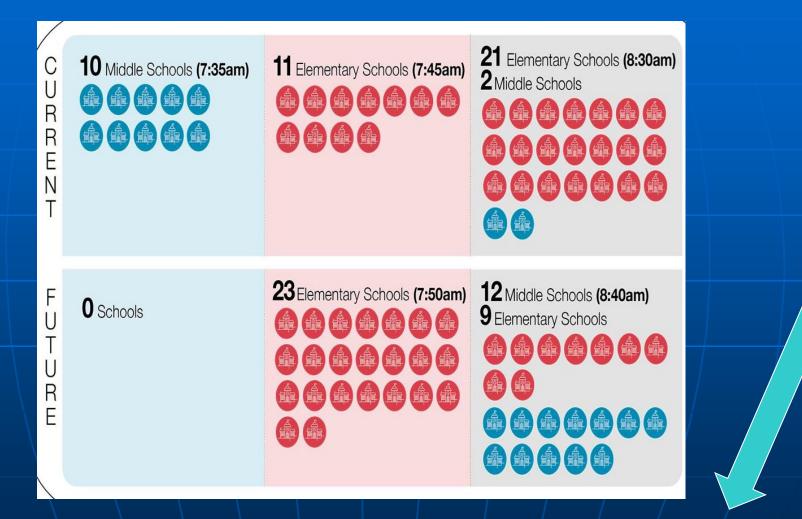




#### Large Scale Change

 What's Large?
 Grounded in Research
 Keeping Students at the Center
 Using an Equity Lens

### What's "Large" Scale



Everything is interrelated. Changing one school affects the entire system!

#### Large Scale Change



The key to successfully making large scale change is to understand the complexity and factors in the change which are learned by seeking carefully thought out input!

# Key Stakeholder Input methods

Formal
 Survey, focus group
 Informal
 talking to key stakeholders
 Reviewing past changes
 Identifying key stakeholders

## Key Stakeholder Input how and when

Going to the Community
 Structured and Strategic
 Early in the Process
 Pressure Test Ideas
 Know the Current Research

#### Communication

Well Developed Plan
Multiple Formats
Using the Data
Using the Press
Using Existing Venues
Multiple Times and Venues
Key Words at Key Times

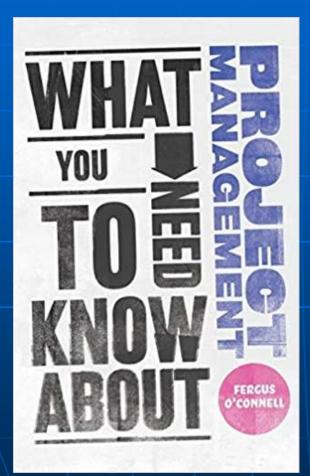
#### Working with School Boards

Informing the Change
 Knowing where the Board stands
 Student Centered
 Asking the Right Questions
 Keeping the Board Updated

#### Implementation

Don't Rush it
 Develop a Plan
 Provide Way to Ask Questions
 Develop Web Site
 Use Data from Stakeholders

#### **Project Management**



Great Resource for Project Management

#### Implementation



The key to successful implementation:

> What the project is delivering
> The timeline
> Quality Work
> No surprises

#### **Implementation - Examples of Work Streams**

Communication, communication, communication

Work with staff members to understand the change and the support they need

Work with all partners in supporting their transition to later start times

Work with largest area employers

Determine policy work and student work around the change



#### Questions, Wonderings or Comments?



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