

Middle School and High School Administrative Restructuring for 2009-2010

At the February 5th School Committee meeting, Superintendent Marinel McGrath announced an administrative organizational change within the school district leadership team at the middle school and high school. This change will take effect for the 2009-2010 school year.

This change is the first of what we expect will be other structural and program changes we will need to make to drive cost savings to our budget while at the same time working to deliver a quality education to our students.

- First, the search for a new high school principal, following Bob Krol's retirement at the end of the current school year, has been cancelled.
- Second, the middle school and high school will be restructured into one 6-12 school, with one schedule and a leadership team of 3 administrators. Student programs will continue to be organized as grades 6-8 and grades 9-12 with teachers available (where licensure permits) to teach in both settings.
- Third, Matthew Fox, currently principal of the middle school, will assume leadership of the 6-12 middle/high school as of July 1.
- Lastly, Philip Conrad and Christy Reynolds - currently assistant principals for the high school and middle school, respectively - will take on expanded roles as associate principals.

We understand that this will mean changes to the structure of these schools and that many of you will have questions about the specifics. We will be working through the details of this transition over the next few weeks and will have more information for you in the coming weeks. Each of the individuals is committed to working together to ensure a smooth transition for our students and our schools.