SITE COUNCIL AND PARENT TRAINING

Kenai Peninsula Borough School District

October 7, 2010

WELCOME

Safety Minute

Parking Lot

Are you concerned about the safety of our students in the cyber environment?

Turn to you neighbor and discuss- be prepared to share your pair's thoughts

Introduction
Name, from where, and response to question

Today's Plan

- Review district news and your role in assessments
- Review state education news
- Review federal education news
- Cyberbullying
- Making the Most of your meeting
- Learn what the other groups are doing

District Updates

- Board and District Goals
- Assessment Results
- Frameworks Evaluation System Piloted this year
- Curriculum Audit
- Employer Summit
- Finances

KPBSD SCHOOL BOARD 20010-11 GOALS

Support district goals

Support and participate in district communications plan

Develop a long term funding strategy for stability and adequacy

Review and respond to the curriculum audit

2010-11 District Goals

Increase student learning

KPBSD will increase student achievement by being responsive to individual student needs through structured collaborative practices District-wide and with our richly diverse communities.
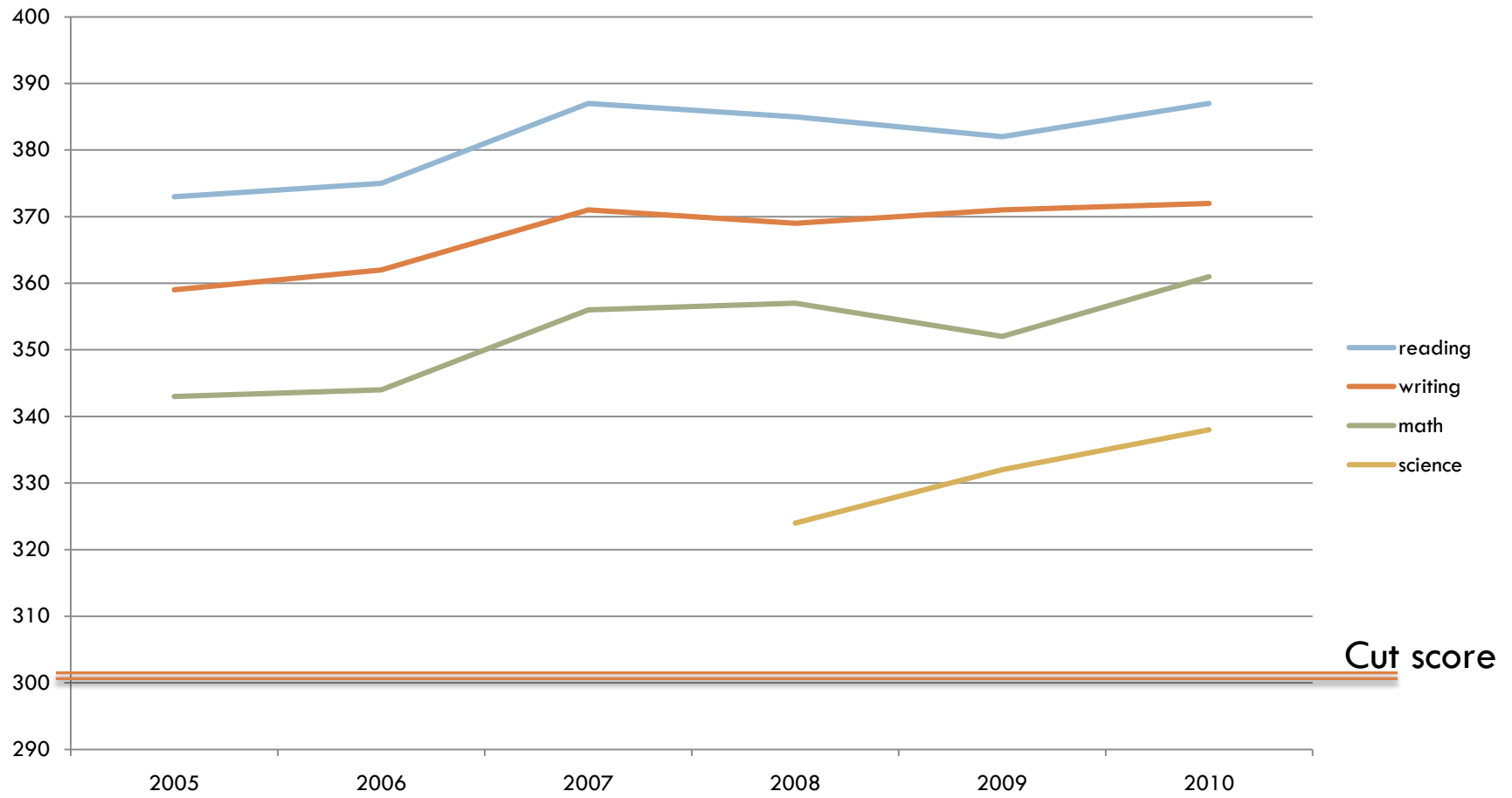
KPBSD will increase student engagement by implementing effective instructional practices with embedded, 21st Century Skills District-wide and with our richly diverse communities.

Comparing Percent Proficient on 2010 SBA Exams

District	Percent Proficient Language Arts	Percent Proficient Math
Kenai Peninsula Borough	**87**	**79**
Mat-Su Borough	86	78
Kodiak Island Borough	85	75
Fairbanks North Star Borough	82	77
Juneau Borough	82	74
Anchorage	81	74

Average Scale Score of KPBSD Students on SBAs 2005-10

Cut score

Legend: reading, writing, math, science

So What Can Our Parent Group Do With Data?

- Understand what the results mean, what is a good score?

- Making AYP- what does this mean? Is it bad to not make AYP?

- What is a confidence interval? Spring Creek made AYP

- Graduation rate is increasing this year from 55% to 85%

- AMO increases from 77% to 83% in language arts and in math 66% to 74.5 %

Cyber Bullying

National statistics

- 58% of kids admit someone has said mean or hurtful things to them online

- 53% of kids admit having said something mean or hurtful things to another online

- 42% of kids have been bullied while online

KPBSD Committee is exploring a variety of programs-recommendation to address this issue in a few weeks. Curriculum will be in place for second semester.

Frameworks Teacher Evaluation System

- Old system (checklist) rarely led to improvement
- New system requires a more extensive dialogue between principal and teacher
- Frameworks is not a "gotcha" tool
- Frameworks is more comprehensive
  - 4 domains- planning and preparation, classroom environment, instruction and professional responsibilities
- Pilot this year, if all goes well, will recommend to board for adoption in spring.

Curriculum Audit

- Thorough examination of our district through the lens of curriculum
- Creates a baseline for our improvement efforts
- Deficit model methodology- no pats on the back
- Found that there is not enough cohesion between schools- students' experience is overly dependent on the individual.
- There is a lack of quality control by the district over what gets taught and determining whether it is learned.
- Lack of assessment information- how do you know?
- Issue of equity
- District is working to adopt some of the audit's recommendations

Employer Summit

- Once out of school, are our students ready for what is next?

- What can we do differently to better prepare our students for life after high school?

- 3 recommendations
  - Teach the soft employability skills
  - Do a better job with transitions
  - Do a better job coordinating school-business partnerships

Finances

- Borough did not fund district to cap for this year
- Area cost differential will increase for two more years
- Rolling forward existing level of service will cause budget to increase (health insurance and salary increases are the main reason for this)
- Necessary to use savings to maintain level of service
- District is proposing to work more closely with assembly to avoid the end of year struggle
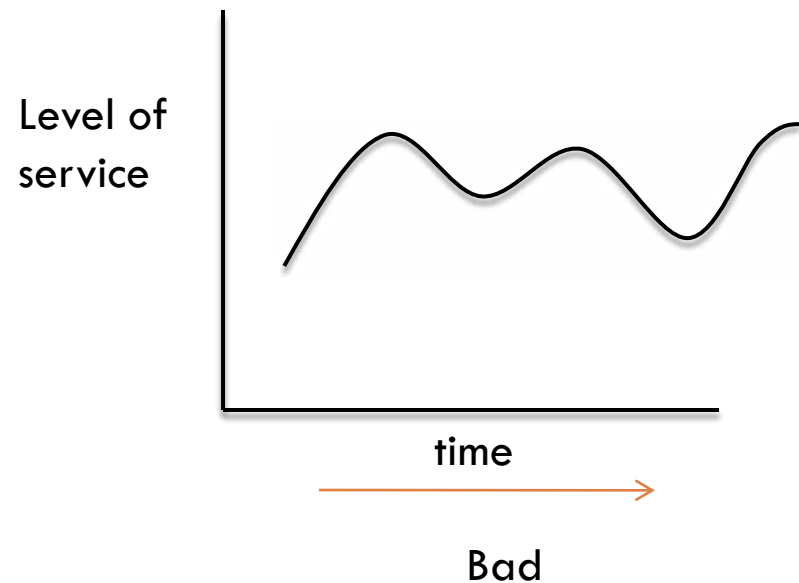
Budgeting

- Your role in the District's budgeting process
  - Be critical of what is happening at your school- are funds being used wisely?
  - Demand that our students receive as good an education that we can possibly afford
  - Attend budget meetings

District Budgeting

- Goal is to maintain a consistent level of service

Level of service | time

Good

Level of service | time

Bad

School Roof Replacement

State Updates

- Fiscal Plan ended last year
- Area Cost Differential has 2 more years
- Exit Exam is here for now
- Workkeys is now required of juniors
- Governor's Performance Scholarship is in motion
- State is not a part of common core standards or Race to the Top, but is revising its standards

Federal Updates

- Federal Money and Compliance
- New shot of stimulus money to district (jobs bill)
- Reauthorization of ESEA
- Effective Teacher

Sharing

- With other members of your group jot down
  - 3 good things that are happening
  - What is unique or different
  - 3 challenges
- Share, if you have one, your goal(s) for the year

SMART GOAL TEMPLATE

Goal:			
Current Reality:			
SMART Goal(s):			
Strategies and Action Steps	Responsibility	Timeline	Evidence

Role of Advisory Council

- Bylaws?
- Represent more than self
- Help to shape the culture of the school
- Help to select the site administrator
- Goals/agenda development
- Fund raising
- Waiver requests?
- Collaboration
- Designate representative for budget process
- Voice in whole school, not rubber stamp
- Dos and Don'ts
  - Special interest vs. Common interest

Meeting Tips

- Agenda
- Minutes
- Ground rules/norms of your meeting code of cooperation
- Blue book
  - Bylaws
  - Waivers of policy (example size of site council)