

Meeting 1 Q&A

1. Why in Glendale?

The district acquired land in this area to construct learning training centers and expand its various departments. The new building will also include a family resource center.

2. Why not centrally located or somewhere closer?

Although the district operates schools in Phoenix, Tolleson, Glendale, and Avondale—with a new Avondale school planned for 2028—the original intention was to build the new facility in Tolleson or Avondale. Plans to construct the new building in Tolleson or Avondale did not come to fruition, which prompted the district to purchase property in Glendale for the project instead. This decision was made to ensure the project could move forward without further delays.

3. Why not use pre-purchased land?

The district does own land, but those parcels have already been designated for other projects and are not available for the new facility.

4. What funds are being used?

Current parent engagement workshops and services are funded through existing grants, including Title I, Title VI, Title IV, and 21st Century. Most federal grants require a portion of funds to be used for family engagement services. As new partnerships are established, services will be reviewed to determine alignment with allowable grant uses or existing district budgets.

5. What about transportation and funding for transportation?

We acknowledge that transportation is a considerable concern, particularly given the limited public transit options available in Arizona. In response, we are initiating

discussions to explore various ways to assist families and students in reaching the new facility. The FRC committee will engage with stakeholders to seek possible solutions. This process will be ongoing to identify effective methods.

6. How will success/outcome be measured?

A three-year plan will be put together with measurable objectives. These measurable objectives will determine success. Along with other data including number of partners and number of families served.

7. How will services be communicated to families?

Services will be promoted across all district communication platforms. This includes

- Instagram
- Facebook
- TUHSD Website
- Peach jar (digital flyer distribution)
- School messenger (Text and Email distribution)
- Marquees

8. What is the cost?

To help manage costs, the Family Resource Center (FRC) will collaborate with nonprofit organizations and business partners to reduce the financial burden on the district. In addition, our grant coordinator will actively pursue new grant opportunities to further support the FRC's funding needs.

9. Can we add community liaisons to each school to take resources?

This is a great idea! This is something that can be discussed when establishing a 3-year plan.

10. What is the budget for staff?

In the first year, the budget includes funding for a new staff position dedicated to leading the Family Resource Center (FRC). As the FRC develops, we will regularly

assess its needs to determine whether additional staffing or budget adjustments are necessary in the future. We will continue to collaborate with our grant coordinator and partners.

11. How will sustainability be guaranteed?

Sustainability will be ensured through efficient planning, strong community partnerships, and alignment with district priorities. Services will be supported through existing grants and approved budgets where allowable, while new partnerships will help expand resources without overextending district funds.

12. What will the timeline be for establishing partnerships?

Several partnerships are already in place, which will allow initial services to begin immediately. Part of the three-year plan will include establishing additional partnerships that will be intentionally developed and expanded to align with the determined needs, service gaps, and program growth.

13. How will traffic be managed?

The City of Glendale is considering the installation of a new traffic light to improve traffic flow.

14. Will services be free?

Our intent is to offer services provided by the Family Resource Center at no cost to our students and their families. However, there may be instances where a nominal fee is required for specific services. We remain committed to keeping access as affordable as possible and will continually monitor and assess our programs to ensure they effectively meet the needs of our community.

15. Are services for students or for everyone?

Services will be open to students, staff, parents, guardians, and the community.