

Superintendent Visits with Staff

Dr. Moran and Dr. Benson met with staff at Red Hill Elementary (August 31), Scottsville Elementary (September 3), and B.F. Yancey Elementary (September 14) to respond to questions and listen to concerns.

Staff at all schools expressed frustration with the process to date.

The following themes emerged in dialog regarding benefits and challenges at the schools:

Benefits

- Value of small schools to their communities
- Schools as community centers
- Strong relationships with among teachers, students and families
- Proximity to community/student base
- Contribution to economic base
- Volunteer participation
- Strong sense of belonging
- Ability to meet needs of all students

Challenges

- Part-time positions/specialists
- Combination classes
- Single class grade levels