

MWHI Support Services/Education Subcommittee  
November 9, 2016 Meeting Topics

Topics from the September 15, 2016 subcommittee meeting that were slated for further review:

1. SKSD 10 day policy;
2. Hygiene items for students;
3. Increase awareness around homeless students;
4. Laundry facilities needed;
5. Workforce development;
6. Need for resource center/drop-in center;
7. Support Dream Center expansion;
8. Professional development for teachers; and
9. Bridging the educational gap between mainstream and alternative school - mentor/tutoring programs.

Some of these topics can be combined into a few recommendations. Below are some draft recommendations to start the conversation on the 9th.

**DRAFT Recommendation 1:**

Initiate a conversation with the SKSD to; advocate for amendments to the ten day absenteeism policy to accommodate homeless students; promote more school-based work skills development programs; provide tutoring/mentorship for students in the gap between mainstream and alternative school; and provide professional development opportunities for educators and staff dealing with homeless and high risk populations.

**DRAFT Recommendation 2:**

Support CAA/HOME in expanding/developing the Youth and Resource Center. *Laundry facilities provided.*

**DRAFT Recommendation 3:**

Support expansion of the Dream Center in West Salem, and advocate for other communities to adopt the center's model to expand services throughout Salem.

The hygiene items list for the STEP program can be distributed at MWHI monthly meetings, through the email group, and on the website.