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## NEIGHBORHOOD MEET-UP DAY

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### Seattle Public Schools need YOU!

Be part of an unprecedented, city-wide "Day of Conversation" about the future of Seattle Public Schools.

The Superintendent's Community Advisory Committee on Investing in Educational Excellence (CACIEE) is organizing **Neighborhood Meet-Up Day** on **Saturday, January 21 from 10:30am - 12:00pm**.

#### **WHAT IS THIS COMMITTEE ALL ABOUT?**

The 14-member Community Advisory Committee on Investing for Educational Excellence was appointed by Superintendent Raj Manhas in July, 2005. It is an independent committee, charged with making recommendations on short- and long-term fiscal strategy by February 10, 2006.

#### **WHAT IS NEIGHBORHOOD MEET-UP DAY ALL ABOUT?**

On Neighborhood Meet-Up Day, numerous, simultaneous, neighborhood-based discussions will take place in homes, schools, churches, libraries and community centers, providing groups of friends & neighbors the chance to preview the Committee's recommendations in small group settings before they are delivered to the Superintendent.

#### **WHAT WE NEED FROM YOU:**

**VOLUNTEER TO HOST A DISCUSSION GROUP!**

#### **WHAT YOU'D BE SIGNING UP FOR:**

1. Dedicating Saturday, January 21 from 10:30am - 12:00pm to this effort.
2. Arranging for a meeting location (your home, local church, school, library, community center or other appropriate venue)
3. Recruiting 10+ friends and neighbors to join the discussion\*
4. Attending Facilitator Training
5. Returning sign-in sheets and the Facilitator Feedback form to the Committee by Tuesday, January 24.

\* A ratio of 1:10 (facilitator: participants) is recommended, i.e., if you will have more than 10 people attending your session, we recommend you recruit additional facilitators.

#### **WHAT WE'LL PROVIDE:**

1. Facilitator training (see below for dates)
2. Sign-in sheet
3. Introductory talking points
4. Discussion guide
5. Feedback form (can be returned by fax or email)

#### **FACILITATOR TRAINING:**

Wednesday, January 18, 7:00 - 8:00pm, John Stanford Center Auditorium

#### **AFTER THIS, THEN WHAT?**

This event will be used to inform the Committee's work as it finalizes its recommendations, to be delivered to the Superintendent on February 10, 2006.

#### **HOW TO VOLUNTEER:**

To register to host a discussion group on Neighborhood Meet-Up Day, please call or email Sara Morris, Executive Staff Director, at 252-0473 or [samorris@seattleschools.org](mailto:samorris@seattleschools.org). We will need your name, phone number, email address, the location where you will host your discussion group, and your day/time preference for Facilitator Training.

**THANK YOU!**