Clarinda Community School District & South Page Community School District Frequently Asked Questions

These are anticipated questions and will expand as new questions are introduced.

1. Why are the two districts considering sharing educational services and activities?

- a. To support students, families, and communities.
- b. To create fiscal efficiency for both districts.

2. Who may participate in shared educational services and activities?

- a. Academic services will be for students in grades 9-12 for 2019-2020.
- b. Activities will be provided for students and grades 7-12 for 2019-2020.
 - i. No 9th-12th grade football due to classification and ineligible for postseason play.
 - 1. 7th & 8th grade can participate in football.

3. When will shared educational services and activities begin?

a. Districts are planning to implement shared educational services and activities for the 2019-2020 school year.

4. What is the name and mascot for shared activities?

a. The identified name will be Clarinda with the Cardinal mascot.

5. How will student be introduced to each other and Clarinda high school?

- a. Students will participate in orientation at Clarinda prior to the end of the school.
 - i. Students will review schedules, handbooks, and practices.
 - ii. Students will be introduced to staff.
 - iii. Students will be assigned a student mentor.
 - iv. Students will be given a tour of facilities.

6. How will students be identified and cared for?

- a. All students will be treated respectfully and supported by highly qualified staff regardless of their district or associated school.
- b. Students needing assistance may seek support from staff, counselor, school interventionist, social worker, and administration.

7. Can I meet with students?

a. Parents and students are welcome to set up a time to visit with Principal or teachers.

8. How will students from South Page be transported to Clarinda?

a. South Page will provide transportation to and from Clarinda for students who are taking classes in Clarinda. South Page is exploring the possibility of providing transportation for students who participate in extracurricular activities.

9. Who is responsible for students while at Clarinda?

- a. Clarinda and South Page administration will work together this spring/summer to align handbooks, policies, procedures, eligibility, and good conduct policies to provide a <u>uniform</u> approach to addressing issues and concerns.
- b. Student are students, regardless of what school they associate with. While at Clarinda, Clarinda administration shall be the responsible authority and will communicate with South Page.

10. How do state high school league rules impact student eligibility for activities?

- a. State high school league rules from an academic eligibility standpoint will be the same for all students.
- b. Good Conduct Policy for participation in activities/athletics that take place in Clarinda will follow the Clarinda Good Conduct Policy.
 - i. Will be new to all students no matter what school they attend.
- c. Sharing activities for students in grades 7-12 has no impact except for high school football.
 - i. Sharing football bumps Clarinda from 1A to 2A.
 - ii. Clarinda would be ineligible for postseason football.

11. Will students have the same opportunities to participate in activities?

a. Yes, they are all of our students and will be treated respectfully and fairly?

12. Who will hold student transcripts?

a. The <u>resident</u> school district shall hold student transcripts.

13. What district will students graduate from?

 Students will graduate from their resident or associated district (for example: a student from South Page will graduate from South Page and a student from Clarinda will graduate from Clarinda).

14. What learning device will students use?

- a. The iPad is the prefered learning device for Clarinda. South Page will provide learning devices (iPads) for their students.
- b. The technology departments from both districts will work together to create a positive and supportive learning environment that can be monitored by both districts.

15. How will instructional or technology fees handled?

a. Students will be assessed fees from their resident or associated district.

16. How do any disciplinary consequences extend beyond the school day and off-campus?

a. If it is determined that the educational environment has been disturbed or violated, the district will take necessary action to address and administer appropriate consequences in accordance with handbooks, procedures, and policies.

17. How can I help support students and the schools?

a. Speaking positively and supporting the opportunities that will impact students. We recognize there will issues and concerns that we will have to address and seek your flexibility, patience, and support.

18. Will staff be shared?

a. Staff may be shared between districts to support educational services and activities.

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Thank you for supporting our students, schools and community!