

The logo of Modesto City Schools is a circular seal. It features a central figure holding a scale and a sword, surrounded by a laurel wreath. The words "MODESTO CITY" are written in an arc at the top, and "SCHOOLS" is written on a banner at the bottom.

Modesto City Schools
LCAP Feedback
Beyer Black Student Union
Tuesday, November 17, 2015

Superintendent Pam Able and Associate Superintendent Ginger Johnson opened the meeting, welcomed and thanked the students for attending. Associate Superintendent Johnson explained that the LCAP is our plan to improve student outcomes and asked the students, “How can we help you be successful?” The following notes are the result of the open dialogue that took place:

- Provide students a place to kickback, hangout place, study
 - Furnish with bean bag chairs, charging stations, computers, coffee
 - Connect with career center to help with job applications/resumes
 - Open before and after school, during lunch
 - Like a college student union
- Host SAT prep after school
- Develop more programs/pathways
- Increase safety on campus
 - Provide more training for Safety Officers/Campus Supervisors
 - Make sure the safety team is spread out around the campus
 - Have security at the entrance to the campus
- More teachers who take the time to have a relationship with their students
- Increase peer-to-peer encouragement
- Academic counselors are off-campus or not available when needed
 - “Majority of students don’t know their counselor”
- No one knows the Activities Director or what they do
- Involve more parents
 - Provide “better communication” with more lead time
 - Share information on “college/financial aid”
 - Host a College Information Night
- Inform students about finances, i.e. credit cards and financial aid
 - Have a life skills class 8th period
- Drugs are a problem – especially with the park so close by
- 1:1 devices vs. textbooks
 - “There are pros and cons to both sides”
 - Concern with the devices crashing and losing all work
 - Some would rather have books, some think having a device would be “cool”