

SMITHTON COMMUNITY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT #130
Smithton, Illinois 62285
Strategic Planning Committee Meeting, February 8, 2016
MINUTES

The Strategic Planning Committee meeting of the Board of Education of Smithton Community Consolidated School District #130 was held on February 8, 2016, in the Smithton School Art Room, 316 South Hickory, Smithton, Illinois 62285.

Sara Sutherland, Board Member, recorded minutes of the Strategic Planning Committee meeting held on January 25, 2016 beginning at 7:00 p.m. Dr. Homes, Superintendent, created the following written review of the minutes.

Present:

Administrators: Superintendent Dr. Susan Homes and Principal Vicki Norton
Board of Education Members: Sara Sutherland and Ed Farley
Unicom-ARC Representative Dan Burns
Facilitating Team Co-Chairs: Bob Mueller and Jason Becherer
Team Members: Angie Chamma, Jennifer Davis, Heidi Etling, Courtney Hammel, Michelle Smith, and Neal Trentman.

Strategic Planning

Mr. Burns welcomed the group back and provided a brief overview of the night's objectives.

Mr. Burns asked the group if there had been any changes to the team membership roster or the calendar/syllabus for the spring meetings. None were reported.

Dr. Homes provided the participants with an overview of the revised PowerPoint that would be presented to the community at the February 25 session. A copy of the PowerPoint is attached.

Following the PowerPoint discussion, a few suggestions were provided, including:

- Considering how some of the color on the presentation would appear when the handouts were printed in black and white.
- Moving the "Teaching and Learning" section to the beginning of the presentation.
- Remove the duplicate slide of the "Charge Statement."
- Ensuring that Unicom's introductory slides are updated to be consistent with Dr. Homes' slides.
- Defining educational acronyms on the slide to help people understand what certain abbreviations (such as IMRF) are understood.

Following Dr. Homes' presentation, Mr. Burns facilitated a discussion of the "work activity" to ensure it would be designed to obtain relevant and desired feedback from community participants. Mr. Mueller asked about the amount of time he and Mr. Becherer would use at the beginning of the evening by way of introductions and an overview to the evening's agenda for February 25. Mr. Burns reported that he would send a blank agenda

template to Dr. Homes for distribution to Mr. Mueller and Mr. Becherer so they could work to set the timing of their presentation. Dr. Homes indicated that she would send the PowerPoint slides with the script for Mr. Mueller and Mr. Becherer to the two of them so they could modify the script to fit their needs and the goals of the Smithton engagement process.


Dr. Homes reported that the *Freeburg Tribune* had published the article she wrote in its February 3 edition regarding the community engagement process. She further reported that the district had launched its Facebook page, its community engagement website and that she had sent a letter and registration information home to parents via email and the Wednesday White Envelopes. She indicated that she was working on a box ad for the paper in the upcoming week to help remind folks about the meeting and that she would continue to post information using social media to encourage participation. She reported that teachers had completed pledge forms, promising to personally invite 3 people to the meeting. Dr. Homes reported that she had sent information to the Chamber of Commerce and the Commercial Club regarding the upcoming events. Sara Sutherland indicated she would send contact information to Dr. Homes about contacting the Turner Society membership. Dr. Homes encouraged committee members to communicate and invite friends, neighbors, etc. to the meeting. She indicated that her hope was that at least 100 participants would be at the meeting on February 25. She further reported that the National Jr. Honor Society was going to offer free childcare and the Commercial Club was going to provide an inexpensive meal for participants.

Dr. Homes suggested that the video recap of the 2014-2015 school year be played on a large screen in the cafeteria for participants to view the night of February 25.

Mr. Burns reported that committee members should plan to arrive at school no later than 6:30 p.m. on the evening of February 25. He said that members should position themselves in roles of welcoming visitors, distributing numbers to get folks to tables, and to mingle among the tables throughout the evening without serving as active participants at any of the tables. He further suggested that Board members, if attending the session, should situate themselves at a separate table so that their presence at individual tables would not impede the community members' thoughts and ideas about the district.

Mr. Burns reminded the group that its next facilitation meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 7 in the Smithton Art Room from 7 – 9 p.m. That evening's session would include a review of the verbatim notes collected the evening of the first community engagement session and planning for the next CES.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.




President



Secretary


Welcome

- Please introduce yourself to others at your table
- Put on a name tag (include name & school)
- Complete the information on the sign-in sheet




WHY ARE WE HERE?

- Background
- Call to Action—*FACES*




FACES - LOGO




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Facility Advisory Committee for Education in St. Clair County




Charge

- > Engage community members in discussions about the following:
 - State of the school district - facilities, finances, teaching & learning
 - Characteristics of environments for 21st century teaching and learning
 - Status of current facilities - physical conditions; adequacy/alignment for optimum instruction/learning
 - Potential improvements for the future
 - Options for funding improvements - school facility sales tax, reserves, bonds, alternate revenue sources
- > Report Findings to St. Clair County Task Force - school facility sales tax
- > Report Findings and Recommendations to Smithton Board of Education




FACILITATING TEAM

Team Roster																			
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Co-Chairs	Bob Mueller Jason Becherer																		
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CES CALENDAR/SYLLABUS

Session	Date/Time	Location	Topic
CES 1	Monday, March 21 Time: 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	Smithton Cafeteria	State of the School District Overview (Facilities, Finances, Teaching & Learning)
CES 2	Monday, March 21 Time: 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	Smithton Cafeteria	Characteristics of 21 st Century Teaching and Learning (Optimal Finances, Facilities, Teaching & Learning) – How does Smithton School District measure up?
CES 3	Monday, April 11 Time: 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	Smithton Cafeteria	Potential Improvements for the Future
CES 4	Monday, May 9 Time: 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	Smithton Cafeteria	Options for Funding Improvements — School Facility Sales Tax, Reserves, Bonds, Alternate Revenue Sources
CES 5	Monday, June 6 Time: 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	Smithton Cafeteria	Putting it all together — Recommendations for the St. Clair County Task Force and the Smithton BOE

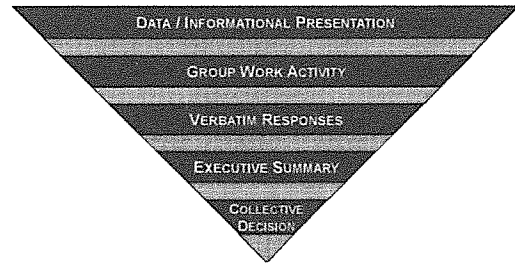


TYPICAL SESSION AGENDA

- Welcome & Review of Previous Session
- Data/Informational Presentation
- Instructions for Small Group Work Activity
- Small Group Work (Dialogue/Decisions)
- Small Group Reporting to Large Group
- Closing/Preview of Next Session



SESSION DOCUMENTATION

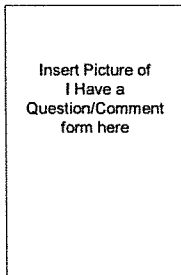


COLLECTIVE DECISIONS USED IN FORMATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS

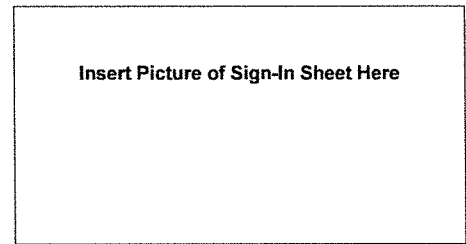


QUESTIONS/COMMENTS

- Fill out "I Have a Question/Comment" form
- Call: 618.233.6863
- Email: Faces-Smithton@gmail.com
- Website: www.Faces-Smithton.org
- Ask questions during Small Group time



SIGN-IN SHEET



SETTING THE STAGE

STATE OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Dr. Susan Homes
Superintendent of Schools



AGENDA

- Charge Statement
- Mission
- Vision
- Demographics
- Facilities
- Finances
- Teaching and Learning
- Accomplishments



CHARGE STATEMENT

- Engage community members in discussions about the state of the school district.
- Describe characteristics of environments for 21st century teaching and learning.
- Identify potential improvements for the future.
- Explore options for funding improvements.
- Formulate recommendations to present to the Board of Education.



MISSION

The mission of Smithton Community Consolidated School District #130, in partnership with the school community, is to inspire, support, and develop students by providing optimal resources, innovative instruction, character education, and the foundational skills needed for future personal success.



VISION

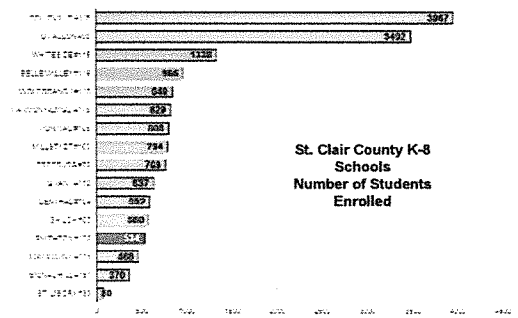
World-Class Academic Excellence



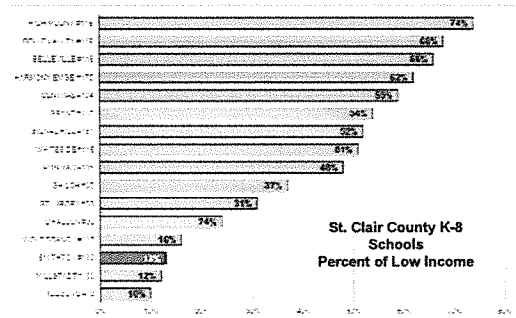
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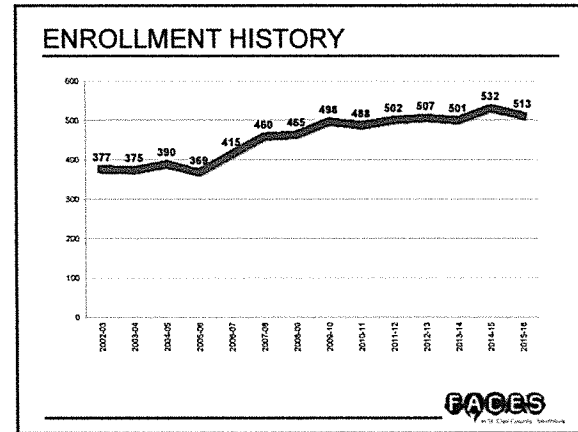
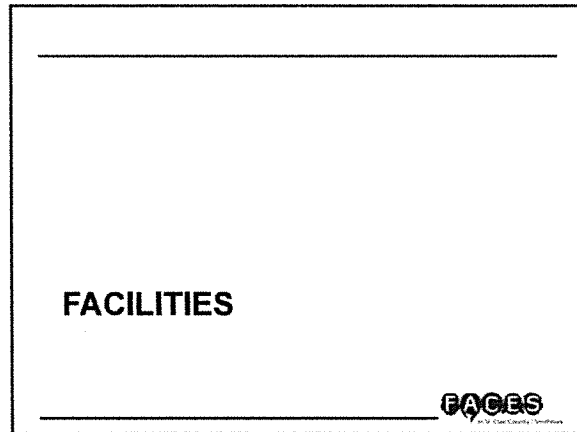
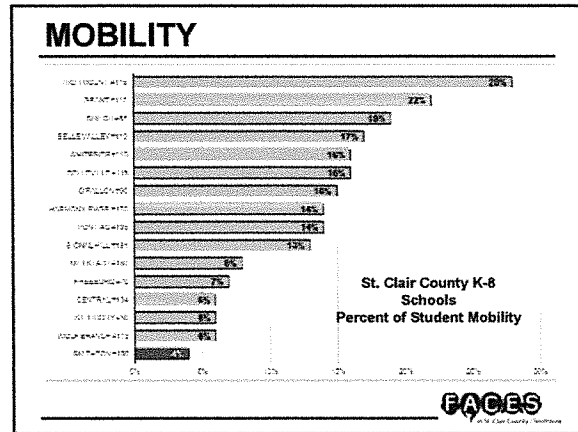
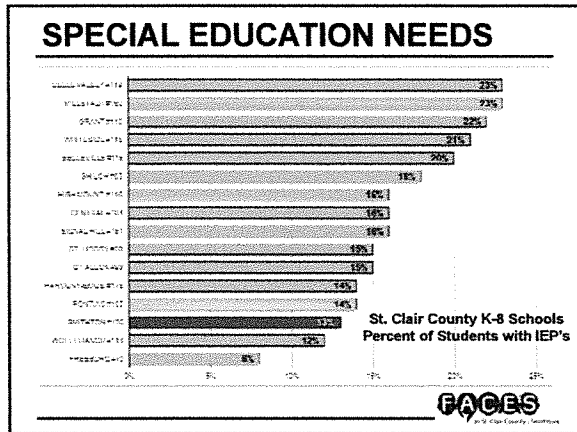


ENROLLMENT



LOW INCOME



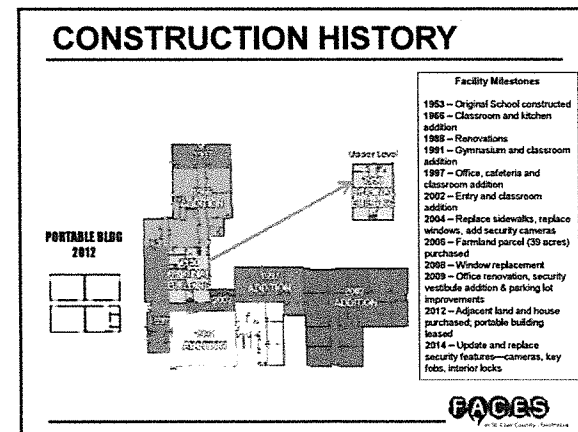


ENROLLMENT TREND

	K	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	TOTAL
2015-16	52	54	54	58	67	57	62	53	60	513
2014-15	57	54	59	67	53	63	56	64	60	532
2013-14	53	53	64	49	59	54	60	61	48	501
2012-13	55	61	45	60	53	62	61	54	56	507
2011-12	62	44	58	49	61	64	58	53	53	502
2010-11	49	55	49	62	62	56	57	53	45	488
2009-10	54	48	65	57	57	64	51	47	55	498
2008-09	50	59	53	53	57	52	50	58	33	465
2007-08	59	52	51	55	54	45	58	34	52	460
2006-07	47	45	55	51	44	50	35	48	40	415
2005-06	40	48	47	39	47	33	47	38	30	369
2004-05	45	45	35	48	33	50	39	32	63	390
2003-04	42	33	47	31	47	35	31	59	50	375
2002-03	27	42	43	45	35	34	60	52	39	377

*Enrollment in the 1992-1993 school year was 283. 2015-2016 enrollment represents an 81.2% increase.

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For St. Clair County, Missouri



FACILITIES - CHALLENGES

- Classroom Space
- ADA Compliance
- Security
- Fire Safety
- Storage
- Restroom Access
- Auxiliary Services – Nurse, Occupational & Physical Therapy
- Food Service
- Electrical Capacity



FINANCES

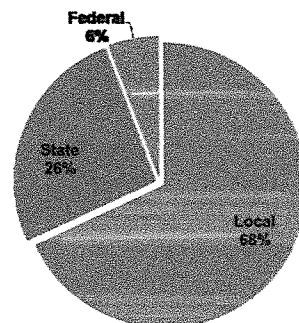


ILLINOIS SCHOOL FUND ACCOUNTING

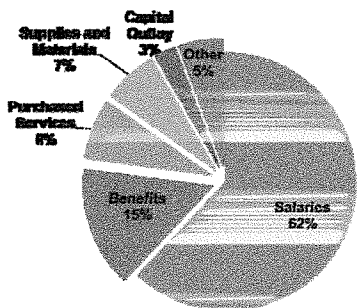
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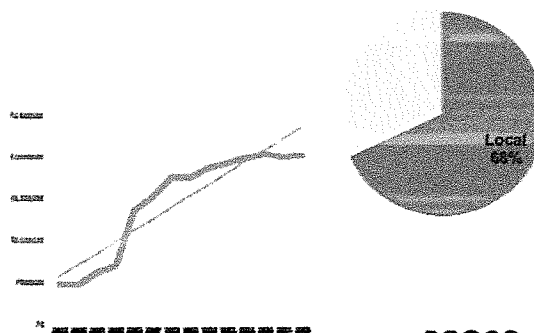
DISTRICT REVENUE



DISTRICT EXPENSES



LOCAL REVENUE

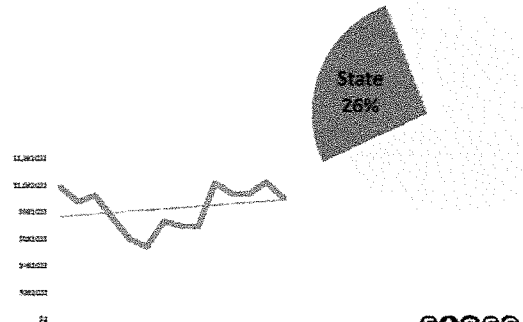


LOCAL REVENUE

Tax Year	Assessed Valuation	A.V. Change	Tax Rate	Tax Extension	Tax Revenue Change
2002	\$48,640,215	15.70%	2.4727	\$1,202,730	\$162,365
2003	\$55,071,021	13.22%	2.321	\$1,278,203	\$75,473
2004	\$59,267,105	7.62%	3.2506	\$1,926,537	\$648,334
2005	\$65,196,059	10.00%	3.1872	\$2,077,927	\$151,390
2006	\$74,886,146	14.86%	3.0436	\$2,279,235	\$201,308
2007	\$80,601,658	7.63%	3.1263	\$2,519,849	\$240,614
2008	\$87,260,183	8.26%	3.0341	\$2,647,561	\$127,712
2009	\$89,735,866	2.84%	3.0004	\$2,692,435	\$44,874
2010	\$91,906,908	2.42%	3.0151	\$2,771,085	\$78,650
2011	\$93,115,794	1.32%	3.0627	\$2,851,857	\$80,772
2012	\$92,357,102	-0.81%	3.1041	\$2,866,857	\$15,000
2013	\$92,117,214	-0.26%	3.1358	\$2,888,612	\$21,755
2014	\$90,490,485	-1.77%	3.1605	\$2,859,952	(\$28,660)



STATE REVENUE



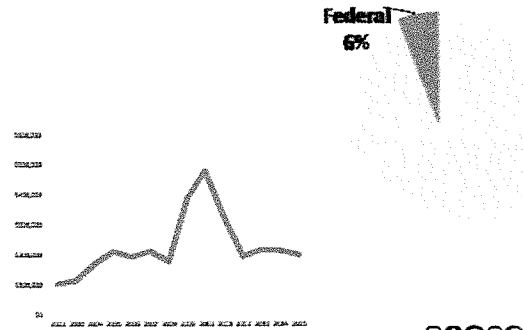
STATE REVENUE

Loss due to GSA Proration (2011 – Present)
\$450,119

	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Entitlement	\$832,008	\$886,588	\$969,622	\$922,161	\$1,070,675
Received	\$790,702	\$790,570	\$860,104	\$803,858	\$985,701
Loss	\$41,306	\$96,018	\$109,518	\$118,303	\$84,974
Proration	95%	89%	89%	87%	92%



FEDERAL REVENUE



FINANCES- CHALLENGES

- Flat/declining EAV ("Equalized Assessed Valuation")
- State GSA ("General State Aide") proration
- Late/lost state mandated categorical payments
- Lost federal REAP grant
- Increasing expenses



TEACHING AND LEARNING



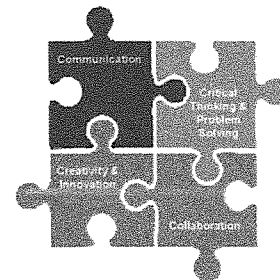
EDUCATOR CHARACTERISTICS

Year	No. of Teachers	New at Beg. Of Year	Advanced Degrees District	Advanced Degrees State
2015	35	0	37%	61%
2014	36	1	28%	58%
2013	33	5	27%	60%
2012	31	6	28%	62%
2011	30	1	22%	60%
2010	30	1	19%	57%
2009	30	3	8%	56%
2008	29	5	5%	53%
2007	27	7	7%	52%
2006	23	9	9%	51%
2005	24	4	9%	49%
2004	23	4	10%	49%
2003	21	8	11%	46%
2002	23	10	10%	46%



CURRICULUM

- English Language Arts
- Mathematics
- Science
- Social Studies
- Technology
- Fine Arts
- P.E. & Health
- Emotional and Social Learning



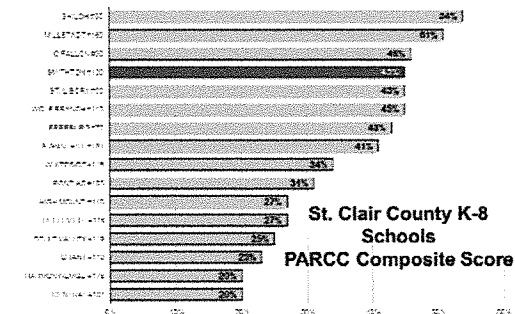
CURRICULUM ENHANCEMENT

- Extra-Curricular Activities
 - National Jr. Honor Society
 - Student Council
 - Anti-Bullying Committee
 - Technology Club
 - Chess Club
 - Scholar Bowl
 - Drama Club
 - Band and Chorus
 - Spelling and Geography Bees
 - Academic Fair
 - Algebra Competition
 - Talent Show
- Competitive Athletics
 - Baseball
 - Softball
 - Cross country
 - Basketball
 - Volleyball
 - Bowling
 - Track & field
- Intervention Services – RtI & Title 1
- Summer Enrichment
 - STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, & Mathematics)
 - Art
 - Reading and Math (Summer '16)



HOW DO WE KNOW OUR CHILDREN ARE LEARNING?

- Classroom
 - Formative
 - Summative
 - Report Cards
- Local Standardized Tests
 - Discovery Education Assessment
 - AIMSweb
 - STAR
- State Mandated Tests
 - PARCC (Grades 3-8)
 - Science (Grades 5 and 8)



TEACHING AND LEARNING - CHALLENGES

- Technology
 - Internet bandwidth
 - Device replacement
 - Support
- Curriculum Resources
 - "Textbook" updates
 - Manipulatives
- Professional Development



ACCOMPLISHMENTS

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COUGAR PRIDE

- *Do The Right Thing School of the Year*
- *Homerun School of Character*
- *Featured School – Illinois Regional Offices of Education*
- *Caring Community – TEAM BRYCE*
- *Tools for Teachers Award (KPLR Channel 30) – Smithton Teacher*
- *Leadership Matters – Curbside Welcome Program feature article*
- *Illinois Principals Association – Technology 1:1 and Professional Development program feature videos*

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SMALL GROUP WORK ACTIVITY

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SMALL GROUP WORK ACTIVITY

Select a Recorder and Facilitator

Recorder Responsibilities —

- Complete the information on the group's worksheet

Facilitator Responsibilities —

- Facilitate Discussion
- Keep Group Focused/On Task
- Report Group's Information

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SMALL GROUP WORKSHEET

- Information on worksheet should reflect consensus/general agreement of group members
- Monitor progress to complete the worksheet in allotted time
- Only group recorder's worksheet will be collected

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WORK ACTIVITY QUESTIONS

Task #1: Celebrate • Surprise • Concern

Task #2: Strategic Topic Areas

Task #3: Top Priority

Task #3: Other Suggestions

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**SMALL GROUP WORK ACTIVITY
REPORTING**



**Thank You!
Don't Miss Session #2**

**Characteristics of 21st Century
Teaching and Learning**
(Optimal Finances, Facilities, Teaching & Learning) –
How does Smithton School District measure up?

Monday, March 21 • 7:00 – 9:00 P.M.
Smithton School Cafeteria

