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Karnes County Eagle Ford Vocational Center Board to Survey All Citizens in Karnes County

The Karnes County Eagle Ford Vocational Center Board has established a comprehensive timeline with a goal to begin both dual credit and vocational classes for <u>all</u> Karnes County students and the general public. The Vocational Center will also be providing space for employee training for area industries and will be centrally located in Karnes City. During the next few weeks, our goal is to conduct a survey of the general public. Your input is important!

Who will we be surveying? Citizens and industries in all four towns within Karnes County and will include all Jr. High and High School Students and their Parents, County/City Leaders, the General Public and last but certainly not least, all Industries with ties to Karnes County. All surveys will be conducted anonymously and all results will be published back to the public.

What we will be surveying? We will be asking all area students if they are have an interest in the center, and if so what types of courses they would be interested in taking for both immediate workforce entry after high school and/or the ability to also go onto college to further their education. We will also be surveying area industries to gain perspective on the types of training that they need for both their immediate and long-term workforce needs. County leadership and the General Public's input is also very important to gauge overall Karnes County interest in this important project and advice on how the Eagle Ford Vocational Center should be funded.

How can Parents and the General Public participate in the online survey? All area Jr. High and High School students will be surveyed during school. Parents and the General Public can find a link to the online survey by simply going to each of your school district's main websites and finding a link to the online survey. You can also find a link via KCISD Education Foundation's website www.kcisdfoundation.org.

Would you rather fill out a hard copy of the survey? Not a problem, all Junior High and High School Campuses will have Parent/General Public surveys available in their offices. You can also contact the KCISD Education Foundation and they will mail you one at 830-780-2321 ext. 200

How can area industries and Karnes County leaders participate in the survey? You will be sent a link for your specific surveys to complete. You can also email us at info@kcisdfoundation.org

Thank you in advance for giving us your input. It will be invaluable in helping us develop our academic and building direction. The EFVC board is comprised of Coastal Bend College employees, Karnes City ISD Administrators, Vocational Industry Professionals (ex. Safeland), Oil Corporations and board members from the Karnes City ISD Education Foundation.

"You have to go wholeheartedly into anything in order to achieve anything worth having." ~Frank Lloyd Wright