

# NTSD Bell Times Advisory Group

## Bell Schedule's Impact on Childcare



# Presentation Agenda

- ▶ Discuss who currently provides/uses childcare in NTSD.
- ▶ Discuss the impact of the proposed bell time change on childcare.

# Childcare Providers in NTSD

## ▶ **South Sound YMCA:**

- ▶ School-based licensed childcare. Fee-based revenue model with financial assistance available. As a licensed provider, we accept DSHS subsidy.
- ▶ Unlike some licensed providers, we don't limit the number of people that attend on subsidy.
- ▶ We currently operate from 7:00am – 6:00pm.

## ▶ **Boys and Girls Club:**

- ▶ Center-based, unlicensed childcare. They operate out of middle schools in other districts. Most kids rely on bus transportation provided after school to center.
- ▶ Annual club fees + donation-based revenue model.

## ▶ **Together!:**

- ▶ Funded largely through grants and donations, including 21<sup>st</sup> Century Learning.

# Impact on Childcare: BGC + Together!

- ▶ **Together!:**

- ▶ The extra hours in the afternoon make it easier to meet the criteria of 21<sup>st</sup> Century Learning grants.

- ▶ **Boys and Girls Club:**

- ▶ The change wouldn't impact things significantly, since they don't use NTSD buildings. In OSD, where they operate out of a middle school, it presents more challenges.

# Impact on Childcare: YMCA

## ▶ **Programming Impact:**

- ▶ We likely wouldn't operate AM Care at any NTSD school if school starts at 7:15-7:30am. Chambers Prairie will be the most impacted, since we've historically opened at 6:00am at that location.
- ▶ PM care would be extended by 40-70 minutes. We anticipate a greater need for PM care.
- ▶ Delays due to inclement weather will be easier to manage and communicate.

## ▶ **Financial Impact:**

- ▶ The Y will provide 5+ more hours of care each week. Unfortunately, DSHS subsidy is fixed, regardless of hours attended.

## ▶ **Staffing Impact:**

- ▶ We don't yet know how this will impact our ability to hire/staff. It may make staffing easier / harder to staff certain roles.

# Other Questions

- ▶ Will this create a need for middle school AM programming?
- ▶ How might this impact High School volunteerism / ability to work?
- ▶ Is now the right time for the change, with so many other things in flux?

# NOTES