

School Advisory Forum  
Minutes  
April 22, 2025  
Cooper City High School

## **Communications and Public Engagement Policy**

On April 8, 2025, at the School Board Workshop proposed changes to the Communication and Public Engagement policy were presented. The proposed changes included explanations and language updates to be in line with the strategic plan's communication component as well as the goals and guardrails set. An email from the South Area Advisory Council was sent out prior to the meeting so that these proposed changes could be viewed.

## **Updates for South Area Schools**

A few schools will receive new names. For example, Pines Middle School will now be Pines Collegiate Academy 6-12. A grade level will be added each year. Students will need to apply and be accepted to attend as it is an academically challenging program with specific requirements. Students attending 9-12 grade will receive both a Cambridge AICE Diploma as well as an AA degree when finished. Clubs will be offered, and students can participate in athletics at their home boundary school.

The School Choice application window will stay open from April 7<sup>th</sup> until August. Some schools exiting classes are bigger than their entering classes so there are available seats in schools that historically haven't had seats.

The budget came out very late so although it should be presented at a SAC meeting it may not be possible. Schools may need to ask their SAF chairs to come in at a particular time to sign it.

Although many schools have previously waited for the new school year to start to determine their SAF chair, SAF chairs for next school year should be determined this school year at the next two meetings.