

ROCKY MOUNTAIN SCHOOL DISTRICT#6

FRENCH PROGRAM
CONVERSATION
February 18, 2010



BOARD COMMITMENT

- Continue to provide a French language program which enables students to graduate with strong French language skills.



PURPOSE OF CONVERSATION

- Consider ways to increase the number of students who graduate from a strong French language program in Golden.



HOW DID WE GET HERE?

- Current enrolment numbers in French Immersion caused us to ask the question:

➤ K	20	Grade 8	8 (9)
➤ Grade 1	21	Grade 9	22
➤ Grade 2	22	Grade 10	14
➤ Grade 3	23	Grade 11	11
➤ Grade 4	18	Grade 12	16
➤ Grade 5	16		
➤ Grade 6	18		
➤ Grade 7	16		



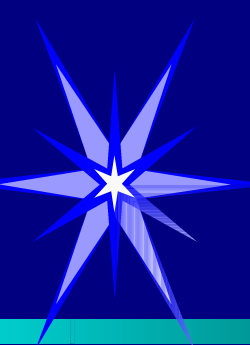
HOW DID WE GET HERE?

- The question was intended to be proactive
 - No grades of 100 students at secondary
 - Elementary numbers are all below 80
 - Current grade 1 has enrolment of 53 students
 - Projected enrolment for Sept. 2010 is
 - K 56 students
 - Grade 1 55 students
 - Grade 2 50 students



WHAT DO WE KNOW?

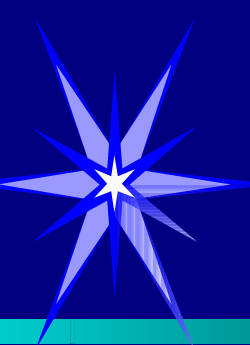
- The Board initiated the conversation: “Consider ways to increase the number of students who graduate from a strong French language program in Golden.”
- Input has told us:
 - French Immersion is valued.
 - English program is valued.
- Continued examination of data has told us that we need to ensure that the ‘big picture’ is clear.



Golden Enrolment:

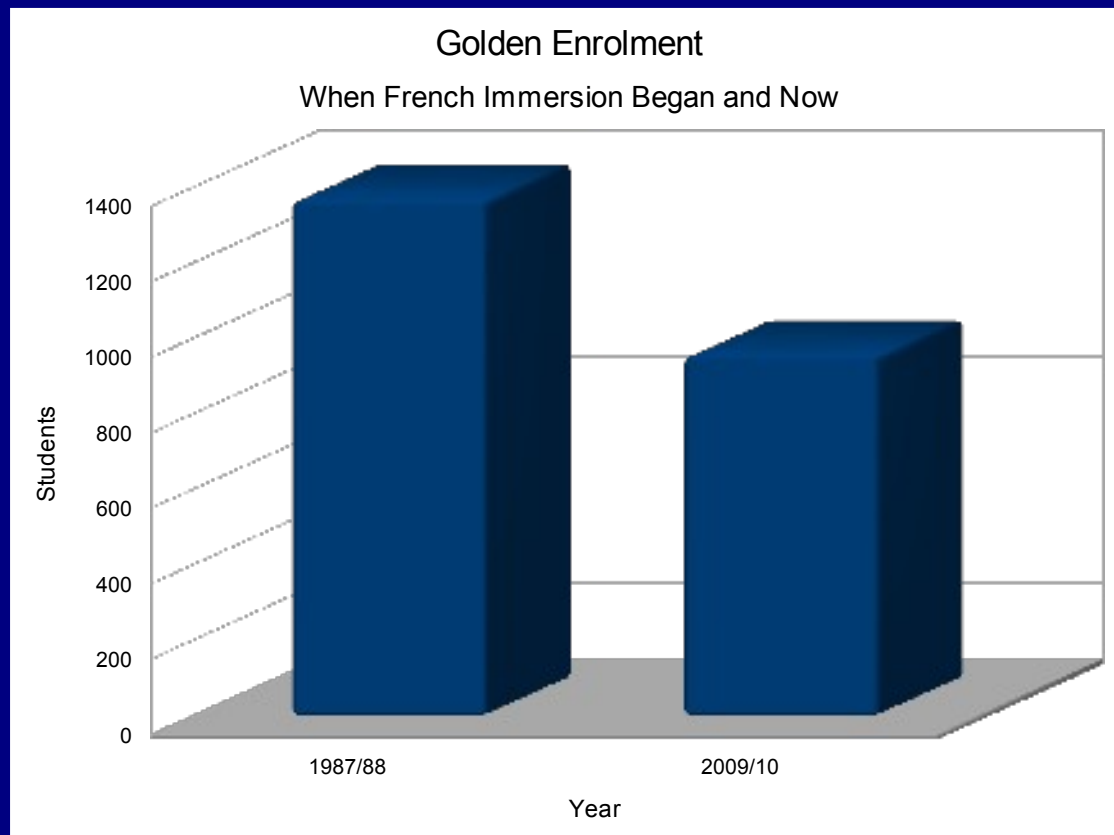
► When French Immersion Began and Now

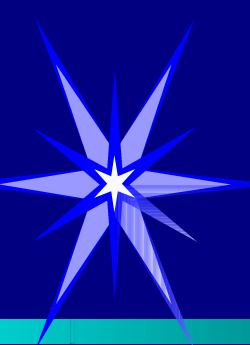
YEAR	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	TOTAL
1987-88	117	Tot	1,2,3	335	113	98	115	92	101	109	83	103	94	1360
2009-10	63	53	74	69	66	68	60	73	73	72	86	95	96	948
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Golden Enrolment:

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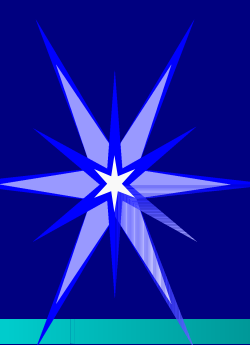




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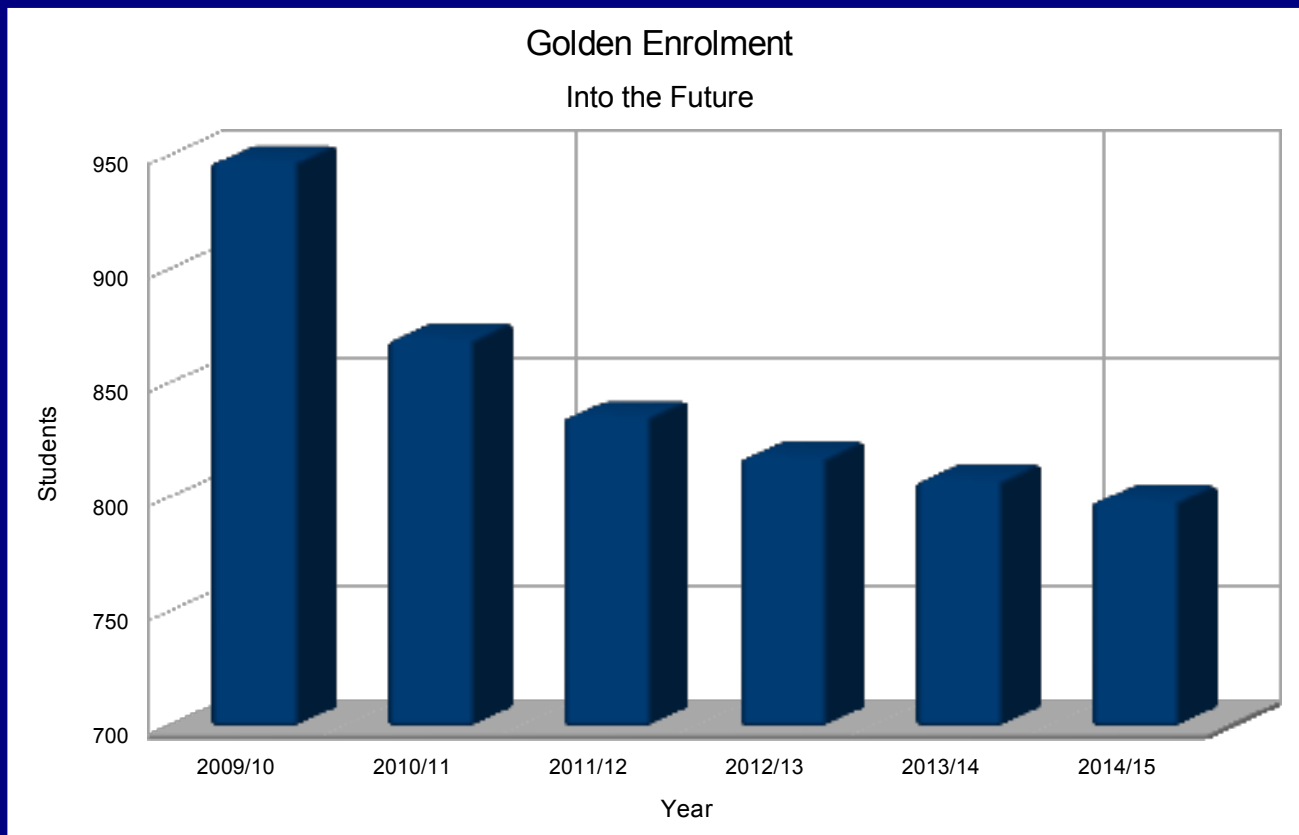
► Into the Future

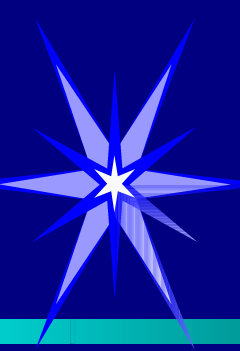
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2010-11	56	55	50	72	66	64	67	59	69	69	70	78	94	869
2011-12	60	56	55	50	72	66	64	67	59	69	69	70	78	835
2012-13	60	60	56	55	50	72	66	64	67	59	69	69	70	817
2013-14	60	60	60	56	55	50	72	66	64	67	59	69	69	807
2014-15	60	60	60	60	56	55	50	72	66	64	67	59	69	798



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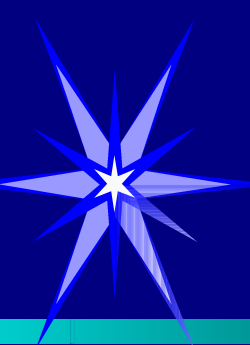
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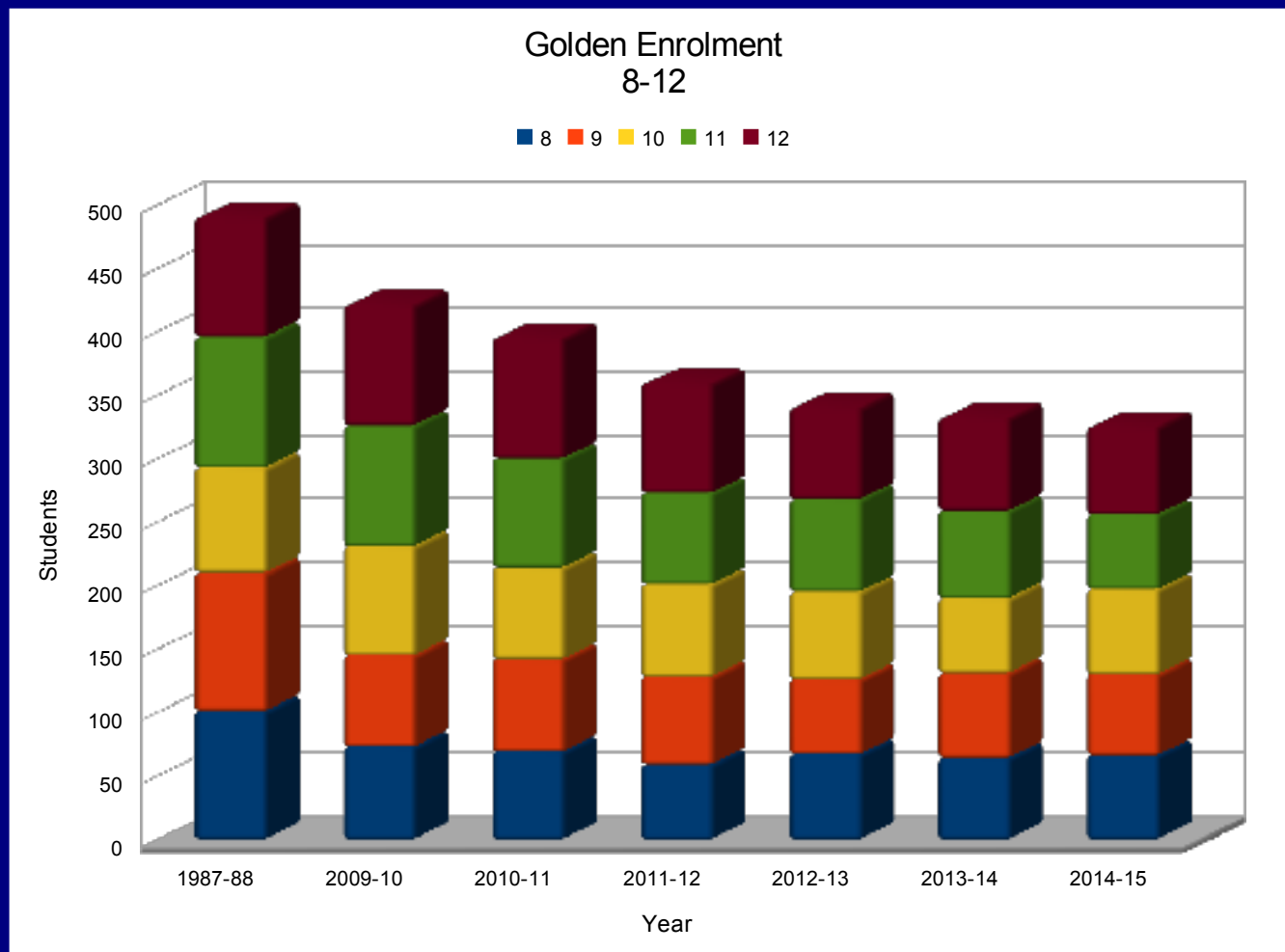


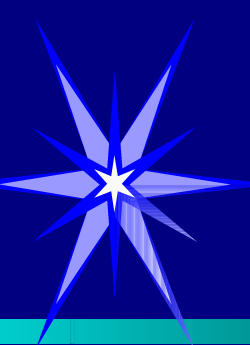
Golden Enrolment: 8 - 12

YEAR	8	9	10	11	12	TOTAL
1987-88	101	109	83	103	94	490
2009-10	73	72	86	95	96	422
2010-11	69	69	70	78	94	380
2011-12	59	69	69	70	78	345
2012-13	67	59	69	69	70	334
2013-14	64	67	59	69	69	328
2014-15	66	64	67	59	69	325



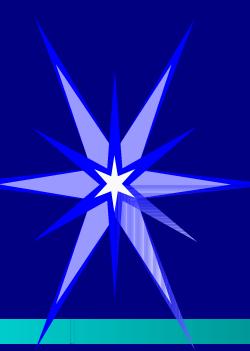
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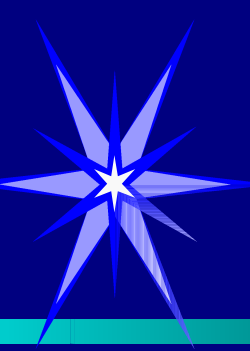
Golden Enrolment: K - 7

YEAR	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	TOTAL
1987-88	117			335	113	98	115	92	870
2009-10	63	53	74	69	66	68	60	73	526
2010-11	56	55	50	72	66	64	67	59	489
2011-12	60	56	55	50	72	66	64	67	490
2012-13	60	60	56	55	50	72	66	64	483
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2014-15	60	60	60	60	56	55	50	72	473



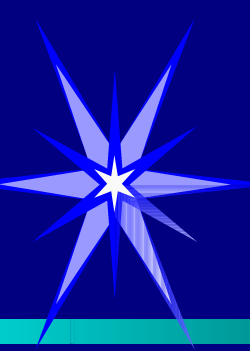
WHERE DO WE GO NEXT?

- Input has been received, shared and carefully considered.
 - Posted on website
 - Requests for confidentiality honoured



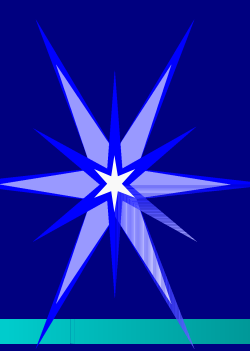
WHERE DO WE GO NEXT?

- Board process based on:
 - Input received
 - Enrolment reality
 - Expressed value of French Immersion
 - Expressed value of English program
 - Board commitment to addressing needs of ALL students in Golden



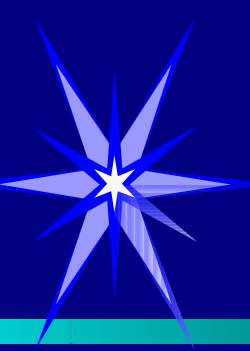
WHERE DO WE GO NEXT?

- Recommendation to Board:
 - External Review
 - Given continued declining enrolment and attrition concerns, it is recommended that the Board conduct an external review with a focus on addressing how the Board will meet its commitment to provide high quality French and English educational programs, into the future.



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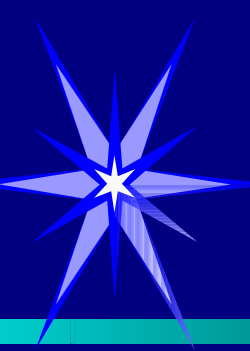
- Process
 - Recommendation to March 2, 2010 Board Meeting
 - Review timelines to be determined and communicated
 - Board will develop Terms of Reference



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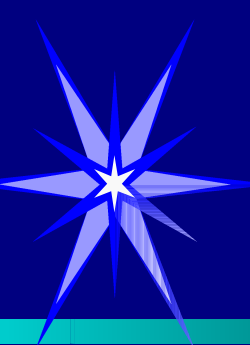
➤ Process

- Review will be conducted and the report will be made public.
- Recommendations arising from the review will be referred to the Board for consideration and action.



WHAT ABOUT SEPTEMBER?

- No changes for September 2010.
- Registration for French Immersion K and English K is scheduled for April 6 - 16.
- Kindergarten registration practice will be clearly outlined, in writing, by the District.
- Kindergarten orientation will include orientation for both English and French Immersion kindergarten.



Rocky Mountain School District

Questions

Thank you.....