

Rebuilding Nicholas County Schools Mediation Process

Update on the April 12 Public Workshop

The Rebuilding Nicholas County mediation team requests the input of the residents of Nicholas County on their proposed approach and components of a potential agreement for a mutually agreeable and workable plan for the rebuilding of Nicholas County schools. **The mediation team is hosting a Public Workshop on April 12 from 6-8 pm at Nicholas County High School** in order to provide more information about the options under consideration and to elicit input about those options from community members.

The workshop will begin with a short presentation, which will provide an update on the mediation team's discussions and review the components of a potential agreement. Attendees will then be invited to participate in roundtable discussions in groups organized in order to foster geographic diversity within each roundtable. The small group discussions will seek input on the core principles underlying a successful agreement, the preliminary proposal for rebuilding schools in Nicholas County, and additional suggestions for how to ensure these schools can best serve all the students of Nicholas County. In addition to the presentation and roundtable discussions, workshop participants will also be invited to provide input to the mediation team and ask questions through various formats. As this workshop is not a formal public hearing, there will *not* be time allocated for participants to provide verbal comment or testimony to the full meeting.

This single public workshop is designed to bring together a range of perspectives and viewpoints from across Nicholas County to allow residents countywide to attend and engage with each other. The mediation team requests that everyone come ready to share their ideas but also to listen to others, and to engage respectfully and openly.

All are invited to attend the public workshop. **Please visit <https://bit.ly/2GGaJwZ> to pre-register and indicate whether you will need transportation to the public workshop by Monday, April 9.** Details about departure and return times will be provided by Wednesday, April 11.

Please let the mediation team know if you require special accommodations:
ncschoolsmediation@cbi.org.