

Thursday, January 26, beginning at **6:00** PM at the Pittsburg School. A tour of the Pittsburg facility will be conducted beginning at 5:00 PM. Steering Committee members who are unfamiliar with the school are encouraged to attend this tour, which will be guided by the Principal and SAU 7 Business Manager Cheryl Covill, who is responsible for facilities management in the district.

Tomorrow I will forward an expanded listing of the alternatives concerning the housing of students and educational programs. I will also include a memo indicating the proposals that I would recommend be rejected based on the limitations of facilities and/or feedback I've received thus far from emails and conversations over the past several days as I've visited each of the schools in the SAU.

While some of the facilities pose challenges, the teachers and administrators are dedicated and committed. They have been forthcoming with ideas and feedback on the various alternative plans under consideration, open to new ideas about schooling, and offered several suggestions of their own. Most importantly, they care about the schools they work in and the children they serve.

I look forward to continuing our work together on Thursday.

Wayne Gersen