

SAC November

November 8, 2023

6:53 PM

Notes

I. Call to order & Roll Call

Regrets: Lauren, Michelle Garcia

II. Old Business

None

III. Principal's Update & SSP

- P-2 in reading 96/230 who were not where they wanted to be in relation to benchmark in 2022
 - 31.7% (10% reduction) in total kiddos in age range not where they want to be in relation to benchmark
 - Noticing that some kids are already showing growth with resources that were provided to this subset of population
- Schools+ - a lot of uptake on connection to this program with co-location with the school. They also help running clubs at lunch time
 - Mad Science to start again in Jan.
- Lunch Monitors still being hired
- Picture retakes tomorrow
- Power School Demographics process - good feedback all around. Carol-Anne will bring ask around mid-year updates and more promotion next year about mandatory nature of the updates.
- 4-6 Math fluency. Also bringing to lower grades. G2 teachers with Math coach. Proposal for conference in math fluency (+, -, x, /).
- PD - proactively disrupting inequities. Regular meetings and PD to support school vision "students are first". Team + consultants to look at culture of learning to make positive, effective changes to grow the good thing. Allows good things from individual teachers can be shared throughout and allow for transition of students to other teachers smooth and carry the good forward. Looking at strengths and weaknesses to build programs/options to help them grow.
 - Rigor: high expectations of students and building stamina around doing all the good things consistently, even when it may not be convenient. "Warm demands" related to the expectations but not letting them off the hook when it would be easy to take an easier path with less positive results.
- Student-led announcements have started
- Neurolinguistic approach in French in lower grades - oral language focus, complete sentences, oral before writing/reading. This is the general approach from Shannon Park teachers but brings the consistency. Teachers also believing in themselves to help guide the kids to get there.
- Drills on target and kids doing well with getting out.
- New caretaker - short term helped run the drill on 08-Nov
- Math coaching providing good feedback on results so far.
 - P-2 English math coach (Krista Price) direct planning/coaching with subset of teachers. Afternoon PLC formed and helping weekly.

- Flags from Equity - Migmaw, Transgender, African NS flag + NS and Canada will come in for assembly. Erin asked Nicole Lucas for template for African NS to bring them into the gym. Erin will check with her to see if there's a template to share with others.
- Mr. Church as plan for April and flags
- Letter of Agreement - on agenda for Jan 10. Tom to look at others for good ideas.
- Assessments for G6 complete, no eta on results
- LM3 - Grade 3 has been back to parents

IV. Budget Review

a. Spending Suggestions

- From October: waiting on bias review before making purchase. Adele has information but will hold off on things until another decision comes through.
- u-Fly from University of Florida | higher grade FI are using for English learning. \$700 approved.
- \$500 from IMP for breakfast program from Erin Walters (newsletter mention required)
- Katy - brought idea of cleaning supplies. Food handler courses to be potentially offered to volunteers.

b. Best Buy Grant Submission

- Ipads
- Spheros

V. Next Meeting Date & Adjournment

- January 10 6pm for SAC and 7pm H&S