Parent Advisory Group

October 14, 2021

Kurt Moellering, Head of School, Gretchen Petersen, Chief Operating Officer,

Amy Plante, Asst. Principal, Korina Martin, Admission Director, Debby Worcester, Admin Asst.

Parents: Suzanne Lazarro, Chris DeLeo, Rachel Clouse, Stacey Suckerman, Debbie Berechman

Introductions:

State of the School

Welcome:

 Updates:

 Initiatives:

 Lots of new teachers

 Back to basics with professional development

 Language-based approach

 Philosophy with Speech and Language

 Direct Therapy

 1 to 1

 Group

 Push-in

 Thinking Maps

 Consistent visual language across all content areas/therapies/electives

 3 different types of frames of references is new this year

 see the big picture

 draw conclusions

 predict what happens next and see different points of view

 Parent Involvement

 Learn about the maps

 Help your child

 Parent Training

 November 4th at 6:30p.m.

 Professional Development Day for teachers

Cindi Weekes Bradley – Speaker on ‘The Equity Process’

 20 faculty members DEI committee

 Curriculum Department Review

 Internal development of our curriculum is equitable

MCAS

 Scores were sent home last week

 Competency Determination (CD)

 BEFORE COVID

 Students must earn a passing score on the MCAS tests in English ELA

And Mathematics, and one of the Science and Technology/Engineering (STE) tests (Biology, Chemistry, Introductory Physics, and Technology/Engineering) to meet their CD requirements.

Modifications due to COVID for current 11th and 12th graders

regarding MCAS tests.

Current 12th Graders:

 CD for Science, ELA and Math

 Successful completion of a relevant high school course

Current 11th Graders:

 CD for Science

 Successful completion of a relevant high school course

 CD for ELA

Earn a score between 455 and 471 and fulfill the requirements of an Educational Proficiency Plan

Scores above 472 are passing with no EPP

 CD for Math

Earn a score between 469 and 485 and fulfill the requirements of an Educational Proficiency Plan

Score above 486 are passing with no EPP

Current 10th Grader:

 CD for Science – test taken in 9th grade

 Earn a score of 220 or higher

 CD for ELA test taken in 10th grade

Earn a score between 455 and 471 and fulfill the requirements of an Educational Proficiency Plan Scores above 472 are passing with no EPP

 CD for Math Test taken in 10th grade

Earn a score between 469 and 485 and fulfill the requirements of an

 Educational Proficiency Plan

 Scores above 486 are passing with no EPP

Current 9th Grader:

 CD for Science – test taken in 9th grade

 Earn a score of 220 or higher

 CD for ELA test taken in 10th grade

 Earn a score between 455 and 471 and fulfill the requirement of an

 Educational Proficiency Plan

 Scores above 472 are passing with no EPP

 CD for Math – test taken in 10th grade

Earn a score between 469 and 485 and fulfill the requirements of an Educational Proficiency Plan

Scores above 486 are passing with no EPP

What if my child doesn’t pass MCAS the first time taking each test?

 Cohort Appeal

 Retests

 Competency Portfolio

Afterschool

Dates: October 4th -December 10th

Added: Middle School Sports which will not end until December 13th

 Meet once per week

We are looking into scholarship for families that are in need so that they can

 participate in the afterschool program

 Annual Grade Level Meetings

Current grade overview

 Following grade preview

 Grade Specific information

 Meeting dates:

 12th grade already meet

 11th grade: October 28th

 8th grade: November 16th

 9th grade: December 9th

 10th grade: December 16th

 Wellness Committee

 Looking for Parent volunteers

 School-wide nutrition and fitness education program

 that engage students, parents and staff for life

 Hosting 4 meetings a year from 9:30 – 10:00a.m.

 10/26

 12/14

 2/8

 4/5

 Blue/Green Committee

 School events

 Blue won last year

 Events in past:

 Trivia

 Mad Lib

 Candy Land

 Poster Contest

 Amazing Race

 Common Transition Topics

Zoom Event

 October 21, 2021

 6:00-8:00p.m.

 IDEA versus ADA

 Transition Assessments

 RSVP to Gretchen Petersen

 gpetersen@learningprep.org

 PIE/PAG

 5 parents

 2 MS

 2 HS

 1 at large

 5 LPS administrators

 CEO, CFP, COO, Principal, Asst-Principal

 Current Executive Committee Members:

 Tim Flood, Rachel Clouse, Stacey Suckerman

 Plan events, budget for families to come together

 encourage other parents to volunteer

 Grandfriends Event

 October 27th

 10:00a.m.

 Zoom

 Speaker Series

 All zoom

 6:00p.m.

 11/9 Dr. David Stein

 1/11 Meredith Sullivan

 3/10 Jen Kracoff and Emily Hastie

 5/12 Kate Scott

 Watch the Newsletter or more information

Next PIE meeting is 11/18