

School Community Council - November 8, 2017

Minutes will be sent out by Mr. Mortensen

Term1 - we talk about students in youth support on a weekly basis -

- 902 students on our honor roll
- Highest number ever
- Includes 3.5 and above
- 399 students with 4.0
- Impressive thing - how much the teachers are doing to help the students succeed

Term 2 - first week is the hardest - but the grades will improve

Technology

- Chromebooks only have a limited lifespan
 - About 10 carts are getting older
 - Are on carts to make them more mobile-
 - No need to have the carts as much
 - Don't need to replace the carts as we go forward
 - Would like to include in the plan, the upgrading each week
 - We buy them in sets of 37 - but the carts are expensive
 - Eric will look into a shelving unit and power to go with it

Professional Development

- Three pieces
 - School wide- Vision Committee
 - Peer-to-Peer Coaching
 - Individual Professional Growth plans

Middle School Plan

- Bond will be pushed this year
- Visited several schools - looking at floor plans, effective design
- Looking at Scheduling
- Do not want to have a big structural footprint
 - St. George - on 20 acres or smaller
 - Double decker building
- Scheduling
 - Looking at pods
 - Rotate between a few teachers - have the same students in each class
 - Making a better transition for kids
- Truly looking at what is best for kids
- 6-7 grades, 8-9 will be here
- What does fine arts look like? How do we feed our program

- Several teachers asking what credentials are needed
- High schools would be included on the bond as well
- In our community, Diamond Fork will go back to being a middle school
- Asking questions about lockers and all sort of little things
- Feedback is recommended
- Fine Arts the middle school and the junior high will probably be paired
- Encouraging natural light
- Saw a few things
 - Retractable seating
 - Gyms
 - Cafeteria in the front - don't care for that...
- There is a small amount of money to upgrade our school
- When does the switch occur?
 - Bond is voted on a year from now
 - Phase 1 - Salem middle school
 - 2022 year is when it kicks in for us
- Licensing - some have a k-8 license - but colleges are going back to k-6 licenses
 - Secondary - 6-12 license

School Improvement Plan

- aligns closely with our Trustlands plan
- Aligns with Accreditation
- Aligns with professional development
- Goal 1
 - Increase frequency and quality of communication
 - Using Social Media more -
 - Instagram
 - Facebook
 - Weekly emails
 - Teachers communicate - some send out weekly
 - Parent Link
 - Will work with people in bad weather
 - Coming soon - an app on your phone to be able to see all information about your students
 - Can set it up to see notifications
 - 1100 likes and we get a grant for more money for our school
- Goal 2
 - Professional learning communities
 - Our teams are regularly talking about how to help kids
 - Time is being used - Matt has to report to the school board
 - We are moving toward a guaranteed and viable curriculum
 - Are there teachers that aren't willing to share?

- At our school - it was hard to share about 8 years ago - but now it is part of the culture
- Look at best practices as a school as well
- Goal 3
 - Effective interventions and relevant enrichments
 - Math tutors
 - Technicians - in the building to help struggling students
 - One specifically designed to help Tier 3 students - those that really works with those really At-risk kids
 - Teachers work hard - sometimes harder than the students - to help them succeed
- Goal 4
 - School wide positive behavior support system
 - This year is a theme of Lobo hero
 - If they are doing something positive, teachers write up being a lobo hero - they come down and get a treat after their name is read on the announcements
- Goal 5
 - Professional Development
 - Trainings - two teachers are spearheading the professional development
 - Film teachers doing great things
 - English teachers are going to UCTE conference
- Goal 6
 - Technology
 - Document cameras, chromebooks, interactive whiteboards, Audio Enhancement,
 - Science looking at VR and AR glasses

Remember - we don't often know what is going on in the student's home

Future meetings

12/6/2017

1/3/2018

2/7/2018

3/7/2018

4/11/2018 -Notice change due to Spring Break.

5/2/2018