

## Reach Parent Group Meeting

Notes

Thursday, Oct. 17

Access more information on any of the agenda discussion points on the [REACH Parent Group site](#).

1. 18 parents in attendance.
2. **Leslie Webster, D205 Director of Curriculum and REACH Coordinator.**  
Leslie updated the group on the district's review of the REACH program this year. The initial parent survey went out and the district is still working through the data and also plan to conduct a student survey for feedback. Another part of the process will involve looking at different peer districts and how they handle gifted/accelerated programming. Leslie will continue to share progress and information at future REACH Parent Group meetings.
3. **The REACH Group hosted a study skills session in September.** Renee Pas updated the group on the event. Full [details on the program](#) are on the web site but the really learning for attendees came with the hands-on experience of being there. Discussion around that included Leslie working on considering how she can take the program we developed and integrate it into the schools. She will come back to the group for support as needed. Other possibilities include how REACH parent group can support a teach the teacher program possibly for acceleration or hold a parent/student session or integrate into an after-school study skills option.
4. **Mathlete programs have started at both Edison and Field School** with Gwen Reedy and Sarah Jensen taking the lead on these, respectively. Both meet during lunch periods and connect with the [Noetic](#). This came out of a previous REACH Parent Group discussions, which prompted a couple parents to pilot a similar program to what Jefferson School started.

### UPDATES/UPCOMING DATES/EVENTS

#### REACH Parent Group

- 11/7 Thurs. 7 pm REACH sponsored, Parent Info Night - "D205 Math Pathways by Dave Beedy; Leslie Weber to provide REACH Program Review update, Sandburg Library
- 11/15 Fri. 8:30 am, REACH Parent Group monthly meeting, Sandburg Maker Space
- 2/8/2020 Sat. 9-1pm, [IAGC Annual Convention, Parent Day](#), \$70 (registration limited), Naperville Marriott
- Can't make a meeting? Contact your "REACH Rep" - [List of School Representatives](#)

## District News

- [Become an EMB Member](#)
- [Thrive205](#) - How to Raise An Adult – link to author presentation and [TedTalk link](#)

### October

- **10/15, TUES - REACH Program Review [SURVEYS DUE!](#)**
- 10/22 [BOE](#) Meeting, Tuesday, 7-9 pm D205 Offices
- 10/25 D205 Foundation, Tree orders DUE! (*for free delivery*)
- 10/28, 7 pm, Thrive D205 and PTA Council presents Angst, Monday, October 28, York
- 10/31, 10 am, Superintendent Coffee, Thursday, October 31 at Field

### November

- 11/2, Sat. 5 pm, D205 Foundations presents the Harlem Wizards! York HS, [Tickets here](#)
- 11/8 Reflections Program Entries Due
- 11/11, 7 pm, Monday, November 11 - PTSA/PTSA-AB (York Academic Boosters) Co-hosted meeting with Featured Guest: Ryan Doherty - *Advanced Placement, ACP & Honors*, York HS
- 11/14 & 11/21 Thurs, 6:30-9:30 pm, District 205 PTA Council Scholarship Fundraiser - [DIT Workshop](#), space is limited so sign up soon!

### December and future

- 12/5, Thursday, December 5, 8:30 am, York AB - *A parent-to-parent coffee, (current 8th grade parents)*
- 2/8/2020 D205 Foundation Gala – *save the date!*

## Helpful Links

- [D205 REACH](#)
- [D205 BOE Calendar](#)
- [Master Facilities Update](#)
- [District 205 Foundation](#)
- [Patti Berner, Chair 2018-2020](#)
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**Next REACH Parent Group Meeting – NOVEMBER 15, 2019** (Sandburg's Maker Space) at 8:30-10:00 am (3rd Friday.) Leslie Weber is expected and report on the REACH Program Analysis among other items.

**REACH INFORMATION** - Can be found [here](#) at our D205 page.

*Thank you to Renee Pas for taking today's notes!*