



Palmer High School
SAC Agenda
October 12, 2021
7:00 am

- 1.) Good things:
 - a. Open bathrooms back up this week after TikTok vandalism. So far, so good.
 - b. Good for district – SPED teacher volunteered to transfer to a different school based on district needs.
 - c. 38 approved clubs. Updated website with club information.
 - d. ASVAB Testing – good participation.
 - e. Science teachers recognizing efforts of MS teachers after seeing decreased skills during 18 months of the pandemic – a newfound appreciation of MS teachers.
 - f. 9/10th grade math teachers switching to standards reference grading and daily formative assessments – seeing daily flexible groupings and increased student engagement. Hoping this change will lead to increased achievement.
 - g. 10/13/21 – IB breakfast for School Board et al. to showcase and provide information about the IB programs.
- 2.) Athletic updates:
 - a. Cross Country – doing very well – breaking records.
 - b. Football – staying in the fight longer than in previous years.
 - c. Volleyball and tennis – doing well.
 - d. Getting ready to transition to winter sports (busiest season): basketball, wrestling, hockey, swimming.
 - e. Overall sports participation is up!
- 3.) USIP elements and monitoring data:
 - a. Continuous progress monitoring. Peruse data on Data Collaboration Day (10/18/21).
 - b. PLC time: PD covering USIP goals on alternative Mondays. Department PLC's other Mondays.
- 4.) Review school focus on Individual Career and Academic Plans (ICAPs) and new graduation requirements approved by D11 Board of Education in the fall of 2020:
 - a. Counseling going into English classrooms:
 - i. Conducting ICAP surveys such as 10th grade Interest Survey. Helps students decide best classes for them to take.

- ii. Review transcripts with students to see if they're on track for graduation.
 - iii. Summer Bridge – credit recovery last summer was successful for many students.
- 5.) PowerSchool—building the Early Warning System:
- a. Alpine gone – migrated to PowerSchool.
 - b. Lack of accessibility and permissions – big stress on staff.
 - i. Teachers need access to more than just students in their classes (e.g., clubs, programs, sports).
 - ii. A lot still needs fixing.
 - iii. PowerSchool is well-known and used throughout the country. It should be good once the district has it working for our school and district needs.
- 6.) Monthly Alumni Report:
- a. J cannot attend meetings regularly. We may need to find another alum to help.
- 7.) DAC Report: none.

Question/Comments:

Parent comments:

- a. PSAT and ASVAB test scores can be accessed in student PowerSchool accounts (also CMAS). ASVAB scores have not been uploaded to PowerSchool yet.**
- b. PSAT scores can also be accessed via the CollegeBoard website.**
- c. Palmer school nurse is phenomenal! She worked with students to get them back in school after being quarantined.**
- d. Kudos to Palmer teachers for knowing individual students well and understanding their needs.**