

Sabin Middle School
School Accountability Committee WebEx Meeting
4/6/20

Attendance:

Parent Members:

Neil Pettigrew(Chair)

Velvet Stepanek

Alyssa Webb

School Members:

Bill Walker

Jared Welch

Community Members:

Jan Rennie

Lyman Kaiser

Minutes:

1. Introductions

Everyone shared how their families are doing. How everyone is surviving during our stay-at-home order.

Neil mentioned that his family has been thankful to be able to get meals for his children.

2. Distance Learning

Sabin has resources for families listed on the Sabin Distance Learning Website. The Community Liaison has been instrumental in helping get information for these resources.

For families with no access to technology packets will be mailed.

A question was accessed about the iPads that Sabin has at the school. Mr. Welch said there is no plan to distribute that technology. Laptops are being distributed first to high school students and then to middle school students.

Teachers first priority in this time was to reach out and connect with students.

Staff is doing okay. They have had two staff meeting via WebEx. Staff is upbeat and going with the flow. They are missing students but overall doing well. It has been hard to communicate with some families. It's been great to see how staff has jumped in and is ready to go.

Currently Core and exploratory classes are the focus. No enrichments. This is supposed to be a time of inquiry bases learning. Students should be working about 4 hours a day.

Building are closed and no one is allowed in. Everyone is working from home. Teachers only had one day notice to bring things home.

Students can only improve their grades not go down. Grading will not be the priority. Feedback and supporting learning are the priorities. Learning is a life long thing. Not everyone has the same level of support at home. We are encouraging learning

8th grade celebrations – ideas, how do we bring them back together?

All state testing is cancelled for this year. Teachers will be focusing on skills and standards from the first three quarters. How will students make up what they missed from the 4th quarter?

Governor has said the schools probably won't return. Some Denver schools have closed but El Paso County schools have not decided as of this meeting.

There has been no talk of summer school so far.

3. Good news

Students are excited in their virtual classrooms

4. Upcoming events

One page USIP work – we will be using the data from the three Aligned District Benchmarks and other data to build plan.

Teacher Appreciation Week – May 4 – ideas contact Mr. Welch

Need ideas for

End of year ceremonies

Yearbook Distribution

Cleaning Out Lockers

Honoring 8th graders

5. Next Sabin SAC meeting

Monday, May 4 at 6:00 via WebEx need to elect SAC Chair and Secretary