

# Webb Bridge Middle

### School Governance Council

## SGC Update January

SGC had their January meeting and is full steam ahead with supporting The Webb Way. The meetings are held monthly, and they are open to all. Please join us for the next meeting on Feb. 4<sup>th</sup>. Check out our SGC Website for full schedule and login details.

## What is SGC?

- The purpose of the School Governance Council is to provide parents, school staff, and
  community members with a leadership role in the management of the school. The School
  Governance Council is a governing body that is representative of the community and the
  school, but operates under the control and management of the Board of Education. The
  Council is responsible for making decisions regarding the strategic direction of the school
  including:
  - a.) Approve the school strategic plan and updates
    - b.) Approve the annual budget recommendations and resource allocations
    - c.) Manage Request for Flexibility process
    - d.) Participate in hiring of the principal (in the case of a vacancy)
    - e.) Provide annual feedback on principal performance

## Who is on your WBMS SGC?

Rebecca Williams	Principal	WilliamsR01@fultonschools.org
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Teressa Ruspi	Appointed Community Member	RuspiT@fultonschools.org

#### We have several action items to share:

#### **Student Achievement:**

- a. Students read the book "Long Walk to Water" in September and completed a water enquiry unit in Social Studies to research the importance of clean drinking water.
- b. Students also had a discussion with a nurse who worked in South Sudan to learn firsthand about water problems in South Sudan and how they affect the literacy and economy of South Sudan.
- c. The WBMS seventh grade students have created a fundraiser to raise \$15,000 to contribute towards "The Iron Giraffe Challenge" that provides water infrastructure in South Sudan.
- d. Webb Bridge Middle School will be inscribed as the sponsor on the proposed well to be built in South Sudan.
- e. The student Character Council is planning to organize a 5K Walk for Water on Feb 27<sup>th</sup> to encourage community building and participation for the cause. There is a T-Shirt design contest to select the design for the "walk" t-shirts.
- f. The Creek View PTA is also helping with promoting the event within the school.
- g. An email was sent to parents by Ms. Williams that was drafted by character council students to inform parents about the fund raiser.

### **People and Culture:**

- On Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> students participated in a survey during Compass. The data has been gathered from the survey and used to further support the SGC Design Thinking Model.
- Here is the information from the student survey:
  - i. The results have become better and students are feeling more connected to WBMS as compared to May 2020.
  - ii. Students are feeling more accepted.
  - iii. 71% of the students that were identified in 2020 are doing better and do not require special attention in 2021.
  - iv. This is even more special since 2020 used three questions whereas 2021 had eight questions in the survey.
  - v. The staff continues to work with the seventeen students with mental health issued identified last year and such students will continue to receive special attention.
  - vi. The students appreciated all staff members in the surveys including custodians.
  - vii. 100% of the new school staff hires were categorized in the WOW category by the students that emphasizes the importance of choosing people with good student connection skills.
  - viii. Improve the school: better lunches and more options, free seating in lunch, more recess and cleaner bathrooms (hand dryers are off due to COVID)
  - ix. Wishlist from the students: More community events amongst students such as Bingo, Spirit days, Outdoor activities, games during lunch.

## **Community Collaboration:**

• Creek View Elementary has been invited to participate in the 5K being hosted by WBMS.

## **Fiscal Responsibility:**

• There is approximately \$7,830.26 remaining in the flexible spending fund after the purchases were made for the items previously approved by SGC. The exact amount will be known once the exact accounting has been considered for the purchases.

## Other:

We are here to support the community: WBMS SGC Public Comment Link