

Lincoln Academy

School Accountability Committee (SAC) Report

October, 2016

September 27th SAC Meeting

- Attendees: Becky Furst, Kristi Geisz, and Larisa Rogers. 2 members were sick.
- We discussed holding additional meetings this fall (more than the mandatory 4) in order to accomplish all that needs to be done to overhaul the parent survey.
- We need to recruit!

Parent Survey

- Changes proposed for this year's survey to make it more user-friendly and to increase participation:
 - Combine all 3 surveys into 1
 - Upgrade our SurveyMonkey package if necessary to enable "skip logic". Skip logic is a feature that changes what question or page a respondent sees next based on how they answer the current question. Also known as "conditional branching" or "branch logic," skip logic creates a custom path through the survey that varies based on a respondent's answers.
(<https://www.surveymonkey.com/mp/tour/skiplogic/>)
 - Make sure all questions can be answered
 - Add a print-off coupon at completion of the survey for:
 - A homework pass for students
 - To enter respondents in a prize drawing
 - Have computers available at spring P/T conferences to take survey
 - Send out a reminder each week during open survey window
- I met with Janelle to discuss homework passes, participant prizes, upgrading SurveyMonkey and offering computers at conferences.

UIP

- A draft of the UIP was submitted to the district on September 30th.
- A SAC member will attend the next UIP meeting and report to the board of directors.

Strategic Plan

The SAC will work on the following as time allows:

- School dashboard
- Dress code
- Creating SAC bylaws

Jeffco DAC Meeting

- I attended the Jeffco DAC meeting on Wednesday, September 28th.
- Superintendent Dan McMinimee and his leadership team reported on the state of Jeffco schools and the Mill Levy/Bond measure for the November ballot.

- I attended a breakout session titled: “Making Sense of State Accountability in Colorado”. It gave an overview of the basics of school accountability in Colorado including what data is used to rate school performance, changes for the 2016-17 school year, a preview of pending School Performance Framework reports (SPFs), and clarification on the role of SACs.
- I also attended a breakout session with other charters, where we discussed parent surveys.

Scheduled LA SAC Meetings for this year:

- Tuesday, October 25th, 2016 at 6:30 PM
- Tuesday, December 6th, 2016 at 6:30 PM
- Tuesday, February 7th, 2017 at 6:30 PM
- Tuesday, April 4th, 2017 at 6:30 PM