

SAC Meeting 08/30/24 (Holmes)

The meeting introduced the new SAC chair, Lauren Blazis Walker and discussed the agenda, including SAC orientation, election of a SAC secretary, DAC updates, and the USIP draft. Key updates included the academic growth of Holmes students, new staff hires, bathroom update, and Yondr pouch implementation.

Agenda Items Discussed

- **Orientation of new SAC members: What is SAC and why does it matter?**
- **Election of secretary of our SAC (Jennifer McCall elected)**
- **Detailed review of school One Plan/USIP and instructional focus for 2024-2025**
- **Gifted Magnet Program Update**
- **New to Holmes-staff update, bathroom update, security/entrance update, Yondr pouches**

Discussion on USIP Focus

- USIP focus on math improvement strategies
 - Data from last school year showing growth is stable but stagnant
 - Goal of 15% increase of students from below to above in math
 - Introducing cross curricular math which includes peak experiences that will happen 2-3 times per semester
- USIP focus on Culture & Climate
 - Student safety-students report that they do not always feel safe at school
 - Making shifts to ensure students feel like they are part of a supportive environment
 - Academic perceptions-students report that they don't always see the same academic excellence and desire for success from their peers
 - Hawk Nest advisor time will target this area and provide students to see peers work in action

School Updates and New Hires

- New bathroom to address student safety concerns-SAC went on a tour of the space
- Yondr pouches having positive impact on the school environment
- Security updates to front entrance should start in the spring to summer of 2025
- Lots of new hires in the building with the addition of the GMP program, along with teacher retirements, teachers moving on to other opportunities, and front office staff changes
- We have seen an increase in enrollment-roughly 615 students

- GMP program transition seems to be going very well as both reported by Mr. Karr and GMP parents present at the meeting
- **People in attendance:** Melyssa Wilson, Abranda Phillips, Jennifer McCall, Denise LaPlante, Kayleigh Glaspie-Biondo, Rachel Denkewalter, Lauren Blazis Walker, Tony Karr