



# REMINDER FROM THE FACE DEPARTMENT

#### Parent-Teacher Conference (PTC)

is a short meeting between you and your child's teacher to talk about your child's academic performance and experience at school. These meetings help you understand what your child is learning at school, their academic and social-emotional progress, and what you can do to support them. If your child is having particular difficulties, parent-teacher conferences also give you and the teacher time to plan how you can both help them best.

All parent-teacher conferences will be conducted in person for the 2024-25 school year.

#### **Conference Times and Scheduling**

12:30 Dismissal for all scholars. No aftercare or extracurricular activities

Parent-teacher conferences will be held between 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. and 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. If you have scheduling conflicts on the suggested meeting appointment time, you should work with your child's teacher to schedule a mutually agreeable time.

What to Expect at the Conference

Translation and Interpretation Services

We want all families to participate in parent-teacher conferences! Interpreters are available, so please let your teacher or parent coordinator know if you need interpretation services.

### Preparing for the meeting

The PTC is an opportunity for you to speak with your child about their experience in school, and share their questions and concerns with their teacher. Below are ways to engage your child in preparation for the PTC:

Ask your child how they feel about school, and jointly prepare a short list of questions or concerns that you can raise with the teacher.

Ask your child what their strongest and weakest subjects are, and which ones they like most and least.

Ask your child how they feel about their relationships with their teacher and their peers. Do they feel supported and welcomed in the classroom? Is there anything they would like support with outside of schoolwork?

Review your child's academic progress, test scores, and attendance on your Parent Portal.

Make a list of questions you have, and topics that you want to discuss with the teacher. Include things that might help them understand your child's challenges, strengths, and interests. Describe what you see as your child's strengths and explain where you think your child needs more help.

Think about what you can tell teachers that will help them understand your child better, such as your child's favorite subjects, special interests or hobbies, medical conditions, family situation, or any problem that might affect learning, attendance, or behavior.

## **Conversation Guide for Parents**

Below are some suggested questions for you to use in conversation/reflection:

How is my child doing? Is there anything you would like to share with me about what you have observed regarding my child since school started?

How is my child doing socially and emotionally? Are you concerned about them in any way?

How can I best support their social and emotional development at home?

What is my child expected to learn, know, and do by the end of this grade, and is my child on target?

How will my child's grades be calculated?

Does my child have any outstanding assignments, and if so, can you please provide me a list of those assignments and a timeline of when they need to be submitted?

What does my child do well, and what does my child struggle with? Can you give me examples?

How do you know when my child is making progress and when they need additional help?

What can I do to support my child?

Are there online programs or services that could also help my child?

Any questions, please contact Mrs. Munoz at amunoz@mptcs.org/ 862-754-2014 / 973-621-0060 extension 2200