

Hershey Elementary School
Building Advisory Team Meeting (BAT)
Date: Thursday, November 14, 2024



Meeting Minutes

Attending:

Mrs. Funck
Dr. Gawel
Mrs. Lombel
Brianna Yeagley

Fatma Mohamed
Megan Rhen
Fatma Elsaka
Stephanie Dean

Jerri Barnett
Erika Luongo

Attending via Zoom:

Grade Level Representatives 2024-25:

Kindergarten – Kaitlyn Goehringer
Grade 1 – Jerri Barnett
Grade 2 – Erica Luongo
Grade 3 – Brianna Yeagley
Grade 4 – Valerie Pantanelli
Grade 5 – Position not filled
Special Education – Jackie Lerch

Elementary Vision, Mission and Purpose:

Vision: Increase student achievement through collaboration, discussion, and teaching based on student data and performance.

Mission: As a K-5 faculty, we will do whatever it takes to engage, elevate, and ensure high levels of learning for ALL students.

Purpose: Building Advisory Team (BAT):

To keep the lines of communication open between the elementary schools and community, the school has formed a Building Advisory Team (BAT), which serves in an advisory capacity to the building administrator. BAT meetings are held monthly - on the second Thursday of each month at 9:00 a.m. The BAT meetings are held in person at the Elementary School with an option to attend via zoom as well.

Use of a protocol - Any question or concern that cannot be quickly responded to will become part of the informational/presentation items made at the following BAT meeting.

Problem Solving / Solution Based Team

Use of a Decision-Making Protocol (when needed)

What is the issue/concern that requires a decision to be made?

Describe how this decision will impact students?

Describe how this decision will impact the safety of students and staff?

Will this decision go against any policies?

Consider the resources necessary to address this issue. Are they available? What will be required?

Topics shared during grade level reports:

Grade Level reports not given at meeting

- Kindergarten
- Grade 1
- Grade 2
- Grade 3
- Grade 4
- Grade 5
- Special Education

Old Business

None





New Business

Dr. Gawel shared the following on “Technology Tips” this month.

Expectations for School iPads....

- To be utilized for school use only. Personal pictures and videos should not be taken.
- We utilize the Trojan Way for technology as well.

This is The Trojan Way!

Technology	Responsible	Respectful	Safe
		<p>We are responsible for our learning and choices.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Take good care of your school iPad • Use iPad for school activities only 	<p>We are respectful to ourselves and others.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Be kind online • Follow teacher directions 

Some technology tips for Parents were shared as well:

General Technology Tips

- Utilize the school issued iPad for school purposes only
- Check in with your child, ask what they've been up to - be involved
- Don't share personal information
- Create boundaries
- Emphasize the lasting impact of online activity
- Screen time doesn't have to be alone time
- Check the history
- Private Isn't Always Private (ex. private messages)
- Do your homework (age limits, chat capabilities, location services, research parental controls)
- Create Tech-Free Zones (bedrooms, bathrooms, personal spaces, etc...)
- Have a plan for working through unexpected behavior

Common Sense Media website is also a great resource as well.

You can also find important and informative technology resources on our District website. Technology information/resources can be found under "Services and Support" on our District homepage.

Additional items/questions by attendees:

- Are there content filters on iPads?
Yes and filters are updated periodically

Sharing from Principals – to be done at PTO Meeting

Next BAT Meeting will be held on Thursday, January 9, 2025 starting at 9:00 am in Elementary Room 6 with an option to attend via zoom

Please email Mrs. Funck with suggestions for a topic to discuss