## Superintendent's PIE Meeting Thursday, October 17, 2024 11:00 a.m. Remote Meeting

Superintendent Crozier opened the meeting at 11:01 a.m. and welcomed all who were present on Zoom.

Updates included:

- The Student Art Gallery reception was well attended with many families in attendance. There are about 120 pieces of students' work on display.
- The Disability Awareness Curriculum will begin next week, aimed at students in grades 3, 4 and 5. The program covers different topics at each grade level: third graders will learn about dyslexia and language disabilities, fourth graders will learn how the eyes work, how we hear along with autism, and fifth graders will focus on intellectual disabilities, down syndrome and anxiety. The curriculum's goal is to bring a better understanding and awareness of the challenges faced by peers with disabilities.
- The Say Something Anonymous Reporting Program has launched, with parents receiving
  information about it earlier this week. Staff teams at each building have been trained on the
  system. And students will undergo training in the coming weeks. The program's goal is for
  everyone to recognize the signs and threats of at-risk behaviors, take every warning seriously, and
  report promptly to a trusted adult or the Say Something ARS Crisis Center.
- An update on the ELA Pilot was shared, detailing the rollout of two new curriculums at the elementary schools. The first was introduced in September, while the second is scheduled for November/December. After both have been completed, staff will review them and decide which one to implement.
- MCAS Dates have been announced via school flyers. Please mark your calendars.
- A PK Program Information Session is scheduled for Tuesday, October 22nd at 7:00 p.m. via zoom.
- On Tuesday, November 12th, author Jean Twenge, will give a presentation on raising students in a highly connected world.
- Food Pantry Collection at elementary schools is tomorrow. Thank you for your continued support and donations.

Questions from participants included:

• Variations in communication across schools, concerns regarding the length of parent / teacher conferences, and whether the district would consider standardizing the information provided during these conferences.

Mr. Crozier ended the meeting at 11:17 a.m.

The next Superintendent PIE meeting is tentatively scheduled for Thursday, November 21st at 11:00 a.m.