



Curriculum and Instruction Committee

Agenda

December 7, 2020

6:30 P.M.

1. HS Presentation (Principal Sanchez) and Policy 5430 Discussion

- **Midterms** - Mr. Sanchez has proposed that we do not have mid-term assessments this semester, but will have finals. The time that we use for mid-terms will be added to instruction. Staff and building/district administrators were consulted and they agree with not having midterms this year.
 - i. We looked to see how it would affect grades. We would exempt the midterm and add 2 days to the 1st and 2nd marking periods. We would keep the final the same weight as it currently is. This is not a permanent change, just for this year. Semester long classes would have a culminating project. We looked at the comparisons from last year's grades to this year's grades. Mr. Sanchez and supervisors are looking at the classes that seem to have the most discrepancies from last year to this year. Each AP is working with counselors and case managers to see how students with IEPs and 504s are doing. We have seen that 5% of our grades were Fs last year and this year 11% D,C,Bs pretty much stayed the same. Need to follow up with As
- **Grading** - PowerSchool averages grades numerically and not by letter grades. It is very inconsistent to average numerically. The other advantage would allow students who are failing to receive a floor grade. It will allow for better equity.
- **Hybrid Schedule** - Based on survey feedback from parents we will have 2-3 cohorts of students. Hours - 8:00 - 1:50.
Continue A and B days except:
 - i. A days Periods 1, 2, 3 & 5 (lunch period) Conference time virtually
 - ii. B days Periods 6 (lunch period), 4, 8, & 7 (lunch Period) Period 9 virtually
 - iii. 2 cohorts are easy - 2 days A day and 2 days B days - 1 virtual
 - iv. 3 cohorts would mean that we would have to rotate (Continue 1 virtual day per week)

- v. We are proposing that we start phase 2 with teachers on January 4th. First week would be volunteering. 11th would be mandatory in person. The 19th would start our student phase in.
- vi. **Question** - Period 9 - Are there classes other than PE that meet during this time? We will have opportunities for students who have academic classes for 9th period to come into the building. Most 9th period classes are PE classes. We will not be opening the locker rooms for the year so this seemed like a good period to put in the afternoon.
- vii. **Question** - How will we service lunches during Hybrid? Mr. Sanchez - Once we go to Hybrid all schools will have to grab and go so less people will be going to CHS for food. Students are expected to go home after grabbing their lunch.
- viii. Only the schedule for CHS is being presented tonight.
- ix. **Question** - How will the counselors be used in Hybrid? Counselors are copying Mr. Sanchez about student concerns besides seniors. Counselors have been asked to have meetings during the afternoon and will continue to be virtual during Hybrid. Mr. Sanchez will follow up about freshman meet ups.
- x. The majority of the CHS reopening is the same as what was presented previously. Dr. Taylor will give a more robust vision for the high school soon.

There continues to be concern about lack of data being used to understand where students are academically at this point in the year. Mr. Sanchez did give the Committee a report on what his staff are doing to understand the needs of the students.

Class Rank - There is a concern that the colleges that no longer need SATs they might want class rank. Can we have this internally so that we can send it to colleges if needed. Many of the districts around us do not rank.

- 2. **Curriculum** 120 curriculum will be brought to the BOE on Monday. 13 are new curricula and the rest are updates for QSAC. We will consider a special meeting because of the number of curricula being brought to the BOE.

- 3. **Goal 3 Action Plan - Dr. Perez**
Equity Presentation/Inventory
OCR/CEP/BPW
OCR report
Discussion/feedback on the other components of the draft action plan

Draft of needs assessment was presented by Dr. Perez. The first part is a focus on CEP. Focus was given to PD needs. The template has not been

completely updated. Dr. Perez wanted to ensure that all the training sessions were put on this chart and we will go back to SLT to discuss if these training sessions happened. The idea of this chart at this point is to give a snapshot and to see if this is meeting the BOE needs and then we will move forward with filling in the chart.

4. **QSAC update** - We have been meeting with all people who are in charge of different areas of DPR. We also had another District meeting last week where we discussed the findings and scorings. Indicators 1-9 are given to us by the county and the rest is self assessed by us. At this point we believe that I&P will score between an 83-87.

5. **Rubicon Atlas Comparison Timeline**

A document was shared with the Committee that shows the functionality of Canvas vs. Atlas. We looked at 3 companies that have curriculum repositories. Atlas was the lowest cost. The biggest difference between Canvas and Atlas is what they can do with curriculum. The only people who have full edit rights will be SLT and supervisors. Most will have view rights. Atlas would allow us to take data and see our strengths and weaknesses in curriculum. There is a seamless integration between Canvas and Atlas. Atlas has a very large network of Districts that use Atlas. We reached out to approx 5 across the districts to hear how they use this tool. TC and Star Renaissance will be sent to current committee members. We will show the comparison data from year to year.

6. **Town Hall Update-Hybrid Setting**

See Mr. Sanchez's report above. We will bring in third party people to talk about facilities. Our architects are being our eyes for determining if work has been completed. Town Health depts will be attending.

Facilities

Special Ed

Instruction and Scheduling

Health and Safety

Operations and Staffing

Technology

7. **Special Services**

- **Monthly Newsletter:** <https://www.smores.com/8by1u>
- **Meetings with The Hub at MMS to plan out virtual and in-person supports**
- **SEL focus for the December PD day for staff - Equity - Dr. Fergus,**

SEL - Ana Reyes, & Educator selfcare - Dr. Bernstein

- **Staffing update - OT - we have identified a contracted company and therapist. Parents are signing his praises.**

Dr. Alegria met with the Hub because they have new staffing. They brainstormed ideas to support students. They can work virtually and will try to think of ways to bring kids together. 504 information will be sent out in all school newsletters and SEPAC. There is a meeting set up with the Loft at CHS before the holidays. All students with IEPs have progress reporting. That information is just completed and we will pull that info shortly.

8. Policies

- **Policy 5430- Class Rank**