School Council Meeting Minutes – 12/10/2024

Agenda

Welcome

- Introduction
- Members in attendance
  Dawn Weinbaum
  Misty Harper
  Mindee Calabrese
  Stephanie Bernhardt
  Angela Prater
  Teresa Carranza

DRMS School Improvement Plan Data

- Approved by the board at the last meeting
- Continue increasing in the areas of ELA (2% per year) and Math
- Summary of ELA action steps including
    - Improving achievement by choosing high impact strategies in the classroom
    - Deconstruction of standards by teachers in Professional Learning Communities
    - Identify and serve at risk populations meeting the rigor standard and interventions that meet the needs of different students
- Math – the goals have not been submitted to the board; however DRMS has a goal of improvement of scores by 2% in each grade level per year and will utilize the same action steps.
- DRMS CCPRI – based on Milestone scores
    - Note #1 in county for content, readiness, science mastery, EL progress, attendance, literacy, overall progress
    - EL progress – students who are served in the ESOL program
    - Closing the gaps – looking at subgroups
    - Attendance
    - Literacy
    - Beyond the Core – variety of various connections classes
    - Overall Progress
    - ELA Growth
    - Math Growth

Week Before the Break

- Block schedule for Mid Term exams on Wednesday/Thursday for 7th & 8th grade
- Friday will be an early release day. An email will be sent from Ms. Weinbaum as a reminder.
- Friday is a 'turn in' day for connections.
- When we return January 6 – it is a digital day

Basketball

- Games finished until we return from break
- Teams doing very well

Elementary and HS Transition for SY2025-26

- Mr. Martin is working with SHS on dates for 2nd semester to speak with students and when parent information sessions will be. The email is expected to go to 8th grade parents this week or next week
- Dr. Graham is working with our feeder schools to schedule visits to tour DRMS
    - Parent meeting in May will be scheduled and sent to parents when finalized

STEM Family Night – Thursday, February 27th at 6:30 p.m.

- Later than usual to ensure that we can get the STAR Lab and avoid conflicts with SHS schedule for 8th grade transition
- An RSVP will be requested but not required

Trends in Education/County Information

- Work sessions that are prior to school board meetings are now recorded and can be viewed on the CCSD website. Both board meetings and work sessions are linked under board meetings.
- Reviewed 4 key priorities
- Reviewed Core Beliefs
- Reviewed Theory of Action
    - Model: Balanced autonomy with supported accountability
- 2025-26 Budget
    - Senior exemption (Cherokee County): shortfall of $14M
    - Property Tax Cap (across state): shortfall of $50M – over 3 years
- Ms. Weinbaum will send the information to the school council members to review and recommended visiting the school board page to watch the work sessions.

Agenda for Next Meeting