

Oakes SAC Meeting Notes

Jan 27, 2022

Participants

- Principal: Derek Fleshman
- Dean: Brian Wood
- Teachers: Brian Wood
- Parents: Victoria Hostin
- Students: Arianna Spiker
- Community: Laura Welch
- Recorded by: Emily Hopkins

Outdoor Education

- Upcoming trips
 - Mental health retreat hosted in the school over the weekend with topics on yoga, art therapy, nutrition, etc. (Coordinated by Mr. A and Mrs. Klein)
 - Denver Pow Wow during March break (Coordinated by Mr. Pollet)
 - Wolf Trip being planned soon as a day trip instead of overnight (Mrs. Klein)
- As a whole, still trying to reimagine the program to bring it back as an essential part of Oakes. The district is pushing back on the current UA regulations for White Fleet drivers, so that might change and create more opportunities for teacher chaperones.
- Trying to reinstate “classic” outdoor ed trips like Moab - this is still a high priority at the school to keep traditional trips

4th Quarter Testing Schedule

- The district is potentially switching to all online testing next school year, which would mean no more bubble scantrons.
- CMAS testing date – April 12
 - 11th Grade by cohort
 - D.C. Oakes commons
 - Alternate schedule
 - 50+ students – Science
- SAT testing date – April 13
 - 11th Grade by cohort
 - D.C. Oakes commons
 - 50+ students
 - Preparation Day – April 7
 - Alternate class schedule
- PSAT testing date – April 14
 - 10th Grade by cohort
 - Alternate class schedule
- When students opt out
 - What it means to our school - we need 95% attendance to meet State requirements. SAC Council unanimously endorsed the idea to send a letter to families requesting full participation

DAC Liaison Report

- No updates - there have been scheduling conflicts with other Board meetings or our own SAC meetings

Theater Program

- December play was amazing! The students really enjoyed having the program back and getting involved. Very successful shows.
- May play is "Den of Thieves" or "To Kill a Mockingbird" (TBD)

Safety/Security Update

- Building-level safety drills
 - Fire/Evacuate – 12/8, 1/12
 - Successful and quick.
 - Secure (term used to be Lockout)– 1/11
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 - Lock Down – Coming 1/31
 - SROs will be here to practice and model a real life situation. Police get to know the layout of our building
 - Shelter – Coming 4th quarter.

Oakes Parents Support Group

- Help for parents/guardians of students with substance abuse, transitioning, or other difficult scenarios. This could include alumni parents as well. The idea was brought up prior to COVID, but when schools went virtual it was tabled. Is there still interest?
 - Oakes Parents could have a FaceBook group
 - Laura and Victoria run point
 - Concerns about privacy issues or sharing too much information about students
 - Facilitator from staff? In-house might create conflict of interest. Could this create liability issues with the school?
 - It might be a good idea to have new parents start connecting with veteran parents at New Student Orientation.
 - What would the group parameters be? Something little, like a group meeting over coffee, would be good to gauge interest before setting up a facilitator.
 - Send out the idea in the Principal's newsletter, or email blast to current and previous parents?

Budget Update

- Updating chairs with bond dollars from the district. Waiting on shipment confirmation and an expected delivery date from the vendor.

Items from table

- How are teachers?
 - Climate is pretty positive right now.
 - Student perspective is that teachers are glad to be here, and that helps with student morale as well.

Next SAC meeting will be April 21, 2022 at 6:00pm