

Nock Middle School Council Meeting Notes

Date: Friday, October 7th

Time: 8:15 AM

Location: Nock Main Office

All council members were in attendance.

Welcome and Opening Remarks

The meeting began with a warm welcome and appreciation for the group's continued partnership and engagement. The agenda and goals for the meeting were reviewed before moving into discussion.

MCAS Review and Discussion

The council reviewed the MCAS math data and explored how the information is being used to guide instruction across grade levels. Members examined the MCAS item analysis to identify trends, strengths, and areas for growth. The conversation connected this data directly to our school improvement planning and how it will influence upcoming budget decisions, ensuring resources are directed where they can have the greatest instructional impact.

A thoughtful dialogue followed around student-led conversations and how we can bring parents more meaningfully into those discussions. The council reflected on the importance of shifting family conversations toward grading and content understanding rather than individual assignments. Members noted that this approach empowers students with greater ownership of their learning and builds confidence in their ability to talk about their progress.

Preliminary Budget Planning

The group discussed how budget priorities can best align with instructional needs identified through the MCAS data and school improvement plan. Focus areas included targeted support in math, professional development, and continued investment in curriculum materials and tools to strengthen core instruction.

Community News and Updates

Community updates were shared, with a focus on maintaining strong communication with families and celebrating positive student experiences throughout the fall.

Closing

The meeting concluded with a summary of key takeaways and appreciation for everyone's contributions.

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- Community News and Updates
- Closing