



East Mecklenburg High School

School Improvement Team (SIT)

Thursday, 29 January 2026

6:00 - 7:00 pm

SIT MEETING MINUTES
Team Members ● Present: Anette Carlock; Steve Drye; Stacy Feldstein; Nyasha Gopo; Devonya Govan-Hunt; Kathryn Heinen; Patricia Johnson; Cynthia Shah-Khan; Isiah Williams; Amy Witmer ● Absent: Laine Amortegui; Mary Beth Ausman; Vincent McGregor; Lorree Riley; Danielle Stallings;
Welcome and Introductions ● Meeting began at 6:00 pm via MS Teams. ● Principal Drye welcomed all attendees.
Meeting Schedule / Minutes ● Team reviewed the 2025 - 26 SIT Meeting Schedule along with the minutes from the 20 November 2025 meeting. ● Minutes were unanimously approved.
School Improvement Plan Review ● Principal Drye discussed MVPA / Benchmark Assessments and progress towards SPG goals. ● Data Report Out presentation from 6 January 2026 was shared by Principal Drye.
Governor’s Visit ● Principal Drye provided an overview of the visit of Governor Josh Stein that occurred on 13 January 2026. ● Highlights included: ○ A student-led tour conducted by our IB Ambassadors. ○ Classroom visits with art teachers and the automotive shop. ○ Teacher roundtable with the governor to discuss the cell phone policy and changes seen in student engagement along with other pressing educational issues (e.g., teacher pay; class size) ○ A press conference with local media ○ A reception prepared by culinary students.
Chromebook Rollout ● Assistant Principal Williams provided an overview of the 9th grade Chromebook refresh / rollout process.
Testing / Exams and Scheduling + Registration ● Dean of Students Kathryn Heinen provided an overview of: ○ Exams, EOC, and ACCESS testing noting the success in spite of challenges associated with inclement weather closings and delays; and ○ Current scheduling and registration including a reminder of tonight’s virtual 9th grade meeting and challenges associated with magnet enrollments that have resulted in a delay in middle school registration visits / changes in the master scheduling timeline for rising 9th graders.
Title IX Review ● Assistant Principal Williams provided a review of the Title IX process and current reporting.
Upcoming Events (shared): ● February 2026: CMS Attendance Campaign ● 2/5: Midyear Graduation

● 2/11: Early Release Day 3 ● 2/16: Teacher Workday (CMS Required) ● 2/26: Capturing Kids’ Hearts (CKH) Traction Visit 2 ● 3/3: Teacher Workday (Optional) ● 3/20: Teacher Workday (CMS Required) ● 4/2: Last Day of 3rd Quarter (47 days) ● 4/3: Teacher Workday (Optional) ● 4/6 - 4/10: SPRING BREAK ● 4/29: Early Release Day 4 ● 5/25: Memorial Day ● 6/10: Last Day of 4th Quarter (42 days) ● 6/11: Teacher Workday (CMS Required) ● 6/12: Teacher Workday (CMS Required)
Closing / Next Meeting ● Meeting adjourned at 6:55 pm ● Next Meeting: Thursday, 26 February 2026 @ 6:00pm

All SIT meetings are open to interested parents or community members.		
Teams: Click here to join the meeting	Meeting ID: 251 912 621 053	Passcode: AZvhds
Resources	SIT Meeting Dates 2023 - 24 (revised)	CMS SIT Handbook 2023 - 2024