

AGENDA FOR SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

Carmel School Council December 17, 2025

1. Call to Order @ 7:39

Welcome! The call to order started at

Attendees:

Amy Day

Kate Henriques

Kelsey Sandoval

Lisa Rich

Kacie Mummert

Jyothsna Kondamudi

Julie Ziemecki

2. CCRIP Update

- a. Content Mastery-How you achieve on the Milestones-what percent of each population passed (Level 2, 3, 4 on Milestones)
80.0 %
- b. Progress-Compared to “like students” and how they grew throughout the state
Carmel’s 4th and 5th grade students scored 92% in the progress category.
- c. Closing Gaps-Represents the subgroups and set by a formula from the state
43.5 %
- d. Readiness-Attendance, Literacy Rate, and Classes within Specials classes
85.9%

3. Title I Input Meeting: Schoolwide Plan Revision

Stakeholders had the opportunity to provide feedback on the current schoolwide plan and input for next year's plan.

- Purpose of Schoolwide Plan -implement strategies to ensure all children have the opportunity to obtain high quality education.

- Current focus is ELA and Math-same as the district goal
- Stakeholder Input and Revision Meeting Presentation
Goals, action steps, funding, survey results were presented
- Stakeholder Input form-stakeholders were encouraged to fill out the input form as the information was presented.
- Carmel Parent and Family Engagement Plan for Shared Student Success
Shared responsibility focus is on literacy in accordance with the school board policy.
- Title I Annual Parent Survey Results discussed the results and how Carmel's events are family friendly to encourage participation from all parents and students.

4. Elevating the Excellence at Carmel: Instructional Updates

- Collective Commitments - commitments teachers have made to ensure all children have the opportunity to obtain high quality education.
- STAR and iReady- District Screeners- STAR Math
STAR is the universal screener used in Cherokee county as a diagnostic screener. Update on the data from beginning of the year to mid-year. Each grade level in ELA and Math has shown growth with the percent of students proficient and distinguished.
Below are the scores which show the percentage of students scoring proficient or distinguished on the Star diagnostic screener.

Subject	Grade	August 2025 STAR	December 2025 STAR 12.17
Math	3rd	36	50
ELA	3rd	44	51
Math	4th	45	51
ELA	4th	36	38
Math	5th	50	63
ELA	5th	54	58
Math	2nd	47	54
ELA	2nd	37	53
Math-state	1st	38	50
ELA Early Literacy-district	1st	46	54
Math-district	K	50	64
ELA Early Literacy-district	K	60	68

5. **Playground Update** – New playground is complete and fencing will be completed this week. Carmel is looking into adding other items such as 4 square. The community will be notified that it is open; Carmel administration will take pictures with PTA who helped fund the new playground and post for parents to see.

6. **Celebrations – 2025 National ESEA Distinguished School**

Carmel's 4th and 5th grade students scored 92% in the progress category and 3-5 grade content mastery score is 80% on the Georgia Milestones last year. Discussed how Carmel received the state recognition (top 5% of Title I schools) two years ago, but that was based on the "closing of the gaps" score. This year's recognition was based on progress and content mastery.

7. **Questions/Comments-**

How did Carmel get recognized as a Distinguished School?

Carmel was recognized at the state level as a top 5% schools in the state of Georgia. Once selected as a top 5% school, an essay was completed and from that Carmel won this honor. It was suggested for the school to send out communication to parents to explain the process it took for Carmel to achieve this recognition.

How can we get all of the great things that are being done at Carmel to the community?

Parents suggested a summary of the scores and how Carmel was recognized as a Distinguished school be out as a resource for parents who were not able to attend the meeting. Also suggested a PDF be sent out on social media so parents can see the Parent and Family Engagement Plan.

8. **Meeting adjourned @ 8:21 am**