School Council Meeting Minutes – 2/24/2026

In attendance: D. Weinbaum, M. Calabrese, J. Tansy, V. Teska, and A. Prater
Absent: T. Carranza, D. Lewis, and M. Hyatt

Agenda

Basketball

- Games finished
- Girl's Teams played in the championship and the 6th-7th grade team won the championship
- PTSA Student Night: December 8th and January 12th

DRMS School Improvement Plan Data

- Instructional Focus Timeline
- Continuing to use strategies for student engagement and critically thinking
- Using the strategies to help prepare for Milestone testing
- DRMS CCPRI – based on Milestone scores
    - Overall Progress – 88.1 (increased over 5%)
    - Content Mastery – 83.8 (increased 6.2 over the past two years)
    - ELA Growth – 88.16 (Increased over 4%)
    - Math Growth – 90.53 (increased over 6%)

Georgia Climate Survey

- Completed by parents, students, and school staff

Scoliosis Screening

- 6th and 8th grade students – February 25th and February 26th
- Email sent to parents giving information about what to expect and provided an opt-out form

STEM Family Night – Thursday, February 26th 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

- Students rotate around with family to participate in different STEM activities

Elementary and HS Transition for SY2025-26

- March 31st – IKES
- April 1st – HFES
- April 2nd – MRES and HSES
- 5th grade students will tour the building and see the band and chorus

Georgia Milestones (April 20th – May 15th)

- Testing
    - 6th grade week of April 20th
    - 7th grade week of April 27th
    - 8th grade week of May 4th
    - Make-up Testing week of May 11th
- March Madness – Review with students - concepts that were covered at the beginning of the school to help students revisit previous information
- Daily schedule will be different during testing weeks due to testing in the mornings
- Make sure students arrive on time and there are no check-outs during testing

Course Placements

- Students roll up from 6th to 7th - students will have same placement
- Will be coming out soon

End of Year Dates

- Coming Soon
    - Field Day
    - Awards
    - Chief Walk
    - 8th grade breakfast
    - 8th grade dance

Trends in Education/County Information

- Middle schools projected to be 1:1 with laptops in 26-27 school year
- Do not have information at this time on what the 1:1 will look like
- SPLOST information from county office – SPLOST will be included in the November election

Questions

Balanced Assessment – Will that be in place of programs like STAR? Answer – Balanced assessment will go along with STAR universal screener.

Attendance Policy – questions from the community about clarity on what the law states (GA Senate Bill 123)