



Virtual School Improvement Council Meeting

Agenda

Thursday March 12, 2026

1:00 pm

- 1. Reading of the minutes from last month's meeting.**
- 2. Principal's Report**
 - a. School Renewal Plan
 - b. Title I plan for next year
- 3. Comments and/or Concerns**
- 4. Upcoming Events**
 - a. District-wide Family Night at the Middle School-5:00pm-6:30pm. The 1st 20 FES families are eligible to enter a drawing for a \$50 gift card from KJ's Market. All students who attend will receive a dress-down day pass of Tuesday March 17th – **Tonight, March 12th.**
 - b. \$50 gift card drawing & winner announced- **Friday March 13, 2026.**
 - c. Sixth grade field trip to Barrier Island- **Friday, March 13, 2026**
 - d. Fifth-grade field trip- **March 18-19, 2026**
 - e. Duke Energy S.T.E.M. Night- **March 19, 2026: 4:00pm-5:30pm**
 - f. Scholastic Book Fair – **March 23-27, 2026:**
MTWF Times- 8:00am-11:00am & 12:30pm-2:00pm
on. Thursday times: 11:00am-5:30pm. **Location:** FES Library each day.

- g. Teacher Workday/Parent Conferences- **Thursday March 26, 2026-11:00 am – 6:00 pm: *No School for Students***
- h. Reports Cards issued – **March 26, 2026**
- i. Qtr. 3 Anchored In Excellence awards ceremony- **Friday March 27, 2026**
- j. First-Sixth grade Surge Adventure Park field trip (A/AB Honor Roll/Leadership awards recipients)- **Monday, March 30, 2026**

5. Adjourn

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Minutes

Mode: Virtual

Participants:

DeonAndr’e Richardson	Principal, ex-officio member
Lesha Miller	Assistant Principal, ex-officio member
Shirley Bates	Chairperson, parent
Sheryl Hollins	Vice Chairperson, parent
Kyreem Oakes	Teacher
Marsha Hough	Teacher
Katrina Tolbert	Teacher
Myrtis White	Parent Liaison
Ericka Kelly	Parent
Louvenia Hunter	Parent
Tiffany Beaver	Parent



The virtual meeting began with a greeting and the reading of the minutes from the previous meeting. The chairperson, Mrs. Bates made a motion to approve the minutes as read. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Hough, teacher.

Upcoming Events:

Our chairperson, Mrs. Bates chaired the meeting, and we began with the upcoming events which were reviewed and discussed. There were no concerns voiced at this time.

Principal's Report:

Mr. Richardson discussed FES' school renewal plan with the attendees, explaining everything step by step and gave the performance goals report from the iReady data and the SCReady assessment, and how we plan to meet the goals. He discussed that our goal is to increase student achievement in ELA, 3 percentage points annually. We will do this by strengthening Tier 1 and core ELA instruction through data driven practices which are done daily by our teachers. Some of the strategies mentioned to reach our goals included:

- Targeted and small group instruction
- Formative assessments and exit tickets to check for understanding of what was taught. This way misunderstandings are caught early and worked on to help students to better on summative assessments.
- Continue to provide teachers with professional learning and how to implement small group instruction.

- Strengthen MTSS system and family engagement to ensure literacy growth.
- Quarterly benchmark assessments that test what teachers covered during that quarter.

Mr. Richardson explained that our performance goals for math were weaker than ELA but believes that it will increase. We anticipate 3% growth in math as well. Mr. Richardson shared his screen with the group showing and explaining all of the data therein, in explicit details so all could understand.

One of our parents voiced a concern regarding the math scores. She feels that the lessons being taught are on a higher grade level than their child's grade level. The parent feels that students are failing because they don't understand the material and per the parent, teachers say they do not have time to teach the material because they have to go by the lesson plans proposed by the school. The principal addressed the concern by stating that the teachers are teaching based on the state standards. In addition, Mr. Richardson reminded the parents that the teachers use the pacing guides when teaching to expose students to all of the state standards in a year prior to taking the standardized tests. He stressed that teachers would reteach and differentiate instructions when they notice that students aren't doing well according to the data. There was also a concern that a lot of students are visual learners and need more paper instructions and lessons instead of computer/electronic work. Mr. Richardson agreed with this, however, he noted that we must have students practice with computers because the

standardized test is completely on computers. The parents voiced understanding.

Title I Plan for next year:

Principal Richardson informed that two of our teachers' salaries are funded through the Title I program as well as our Parent Liaison's, and we use Title I funds to purchase supplies that we need and fund family engagement events. Parents expressed interests in the Masquerade Ball, which will be discussed at a later date, and also parenting workshops that introduce parents to how things are taught in the school, i.e. computerized/electronic instructions, how the system works, how they can help their children at home, which could improve parent involvement in school and in the SIC meetings. Parents stated they would like to have these meetings every nine weeks. The school will host Parent University next school year for quarters 1, 2 and 3.

Parents also want pageants like King and Queen to return and for younger students to go on field trips and participate in assembly programs as well. Mr. Richardson did let parents know that we will look at possibly doing pageants for next year, however, there is a zoo trip that is upcoming for younger students. For next year all grade levels will participate in school assembly programs. Also, next year each grade level will have one field trip every nine weeks for quarters 1,2 and 3. Parents also asked if students could go to Carowinds. Mr. Richardson stated that the Carowinds trip will be for students who score Meet in 2 subjects or Exceeds in 1 subject, on the SCReady assessment and will take place in the Fall. Parents also asked if

kindergarten students could wear cap and gowns for graduation again. Mr. Richardson will take a look into this but thinks they will dress up for this year.

The meeting was adjourned.