



Academics Committee Meeting

Tuesday, October 9, 2018

4:30 pm

Agenda

- Review of Academics Committee

- Deep dive – 2017-2018 NYS Assessment Results
 - Would be nice to see the cut offs of where our scholars fall on the proficiency rating;
 - Parent reports will be going home this week.
 - A report was given showing the overall proficiencies and the comparison of projected results vs. actual results; and the comparison to ECSD.

- 2018-2019 Testing Schedule
 - A chart of the report card, conference and assessment dates was provided.
 - Discussion ensued re: moving to computerized testing vs. staying with paper-based testing; it was determined to stay with paper-based for now until our scholars are more familiar with keyboarding skills; we don't want to restrict their ability to complete the essay portion of the assessments by moving to the computer until they are more skilled.

- Special Education Update
 - Theresa Cain, Coordinator of Special Education and Interventions, provided an update on our overall Special Education caseload and staffing needs associated with the increase in scholars receiving Special Education services.

- Library Update
 - The Library is organized and ready to be presented to parents at Open House; discussion surrounding how to acknowledge the volunteers who have made this possible.

- Grade level Expeditions
 - A listing of the grade level expeditions was distributed; this year each grade level will work through 4 expeditions, as opposed to the 3 last year.
 - Trustees find this information beneficial in order to make connections throughout the year with the local committee.

- Instructional Needs/Wants
 - Various discussion around the needs of the school; perhaps the need to increase to a full-time math interventionist; the

Meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.