



DAC (District Advisory Council)

Purpose: Provide a forum to share information, exchange ideas, and engage in meaningful dialogue with parents regarding District initiatives, programs, and services

Please submit topics for discussion to Faith Ann Farber at faith.farber@carbondaleara.org

Non-Purpose: This form is not intended to be a forum to discuss personal/individual issues.

Meeting Minutes

November 17, 2021

I. Title I

- Financial assistance program to schools to improve educational opportunities for educationally deprived children
- Meant for schools with a high percentage of poor children
- CASD is around 73.1% Economically Disadvantaged
- School-wide vs. Targeted Title I
 - Targeted: schools with less than 40% Economically Disadvantaged---then, it's just for selected children
 - School-wide: the entire program of the school, support the entire school, not just select children
- Money received: Range of approximately \$700,000-850,000
 - Spent mostly on salaries to assist with class size; could be offering parenting classes, buying books to support literacy, professional development, etc.

II. District Initiatives

High School

- Additional STEM classes at Jr. High
- Career Readiness
 - Co-op/Senior Internship: Field Trips, AMP Program (Manufacturing)- pre-apprenticeship program to create awareness about manufacturing employment career pathways- technicians responsible for programming, monitoring, and repairing high-tech machines, Geisinger AIM High Program (Careers in Health Care)- live workshop focused on diverse healthcare-related career areas- could be nursing, rehab, radiology, etc.
- Course Selection Process begins in January

Elementary

- STEM
- Yoga for Social-Emotional Health

-Instructor has lesson plans and the program is designed to dive into the physiological framework of trauma, how it manifests in the mind and body, and how to identify and address symptoms of trauma, including anxiety, depression, behavioral issues, relationship stress and health issues.

-Goal: equip students with the confidence, skills, and tools to feel safe, empowered, and self-regulated.

-Swimming in 2nd Grade Semester 2

Other:

Raptor

-Implemented November 1, 2021

-Visitor Management System that screens visitors, contractors, and volunteers and checks visitors a national database of registered sex offenders.

-Issues a badge that identifies the visitor, the date, and the purpose of his/her visit

PASS Screener

-Online assessment tool that helps identify and address social and emotional barriers to learning

-Asks questions about how they feel about school, confidence in learning, motivation, and relationships

III. Technology Update

Technology Update

-1-to-1 Roll Out: Last year completed Grades 7-12; Received yesterday Chromebooks for Grade 1-3; looking to roll out after Thanksgiving

-Wi-Fi Hot Spots available for those who need: 15----11 used currently

View Sonic Boards

-ALL needed on site----Maintenance is installing----50% complete in both buildings

-Elementary- Grades 4-6 basically done

-Secondary----Math and Science completed---English next

Suppose to be delivered in August----shipping issues-----supply chain was hold up

Remind App

-New for this school year

-Teachers have access to individual accounts

Weather-related Delays/Closings

-Delays/Closings: Multiple people consulted such as J.W. Transit, not just looking at weather reports; safety is of utmost importance

-Closings

-Remote Learning Day via MOT

-Schedules for Elementary and Jr./Sr. High posted on the website

IV. Current State of Affairs

- Driver Shortages
- Substitute Teacher/Para Shortages
- Masking or Not Masking and Vaccinated or Not-Vaccinated
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