**SKINNER WEST CLASSICAL, FINE ARTS & TECHNOLOGY SCHOOL**

**LOCAL SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING**

**PRINCIPAL’S REPORT**

**October 20, 2020**

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**VISION: The Mark T. Skinner School’s vision is to be the premier elementary School in metropolitan Chicago for educating special children (Special Education, Classical, and Neighborhood), and to serve as the outstanding model for all such schools.**

**LRE MANDATE: LRE requires that to the maximum extent appropriate students with disabilities, including students in public or private institutions or other care facilities are educated with students who are non-disabled.**

1. **SCHOOL EVENTS/ACTIVITIES**
2. Assistant Principal Candidate Interviews with ILT & LSC
3. Instructional Leadership Team Meeting
4. Textbook Pick-Up-Various Grade Levels
5. Debate Club Materials Pick-UP
6. LSC Application Deadline
7. Spanish Textbook Pick-Up Kindergarten
8. LSC Position Ballot Lottery
9. Multi-Tiered System of Support Staff Meetings
10. Records Disposal Meeting with CPS Staff
11. Textbook Disposal
12. No School- Indigenous Peoples Day
13. New Textbook Arrivals
14. New Chromebook (300) Arrival
15. Spanish Textbooks for Grades 1-2- Still waiting for delivery
16. Food Distribution Continues
17. 5th Week Progress Reports
18. School Improvement Committee Meeting
19. Remote Learning Plans Posted on Website- On Mondays
20. E Newsletter
21. **PERSONNEL**
22. **Medical Leave:**
    * **Jermont Hughes-** Lunchroom
    * **Marlene Cox-** Engineer
    * **Katherine Daigle-** Grade 3 Extended Leave to Dec
    * **Julie Rzadzki Kendall-** PreK Going on Maternity Leave Nov 9th
    * **Kori Milroy-** Science Teacher
    * **Vance DuRivage-** Cadre Sub- Leave starting Oct 26
23. **We Welcome:**
    * **Tim Tobin-** Substitute Engineer
24. **Condolences**

* **Bianca Hogans-** Pre-k teacher assistant, passing of her husband in August
  + **Michelle Reeves-Twine,** Kdg Teacher, passing of her son in August
  + **Jeffrey Merkin-** 2nd Grade Teacher, passing of his father in Oct

1. **SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN/CIWP**

**Support Area: Quality Instructional Program**

1. We purchased **Curriculum Site Licenses and Textbooks**

* Spanish Grades 1,2 &4
* Mystery Science K-5
* Gizmos Science 6-8
* Seesaw Pre-K-1
* Flocabulary K-8

1. **Neighborhood Students to Classical Program**

Congratulations to another neighborhood student who was accepted into the Classical Program!

1. **5th Week Progress Reports-** Should be arriving home this week by mail
2. **Chromebooks-** Our new shipment of 300 chromebooks arrived this week.

**Support Area: Student Centered Learning**

1. Our **enrollment** is approximately 1,177 students
2. **Debate Team-**  Mr. Lee distributed Debate Materials to students last week- This year’s topic: Resolved: The United States Federal Government should enact substantial criminal justice reform in the United States in one or more of the following : forensic science, policing, sentencing.

**Support Area: School Leadership**

1. **Principal Clark** attended and Skinner’s Instructional Leadership Team & staff interviewed the five AP candidates on 9/30 & 10/1/20
2. **Principal Clark** and the LSC interviewed the two AP finalists on 10/19/20. Our two finalists will speak and interact with some of our 6th & 7th graders on Thursday and Friday.
3. **Principal Clark** attended virtual ISP principals meetings on various topics around remote learning including re-opening with our Pre-K & ODLSS Cluster Programs. A Parent meeting for our Pre-K and Cluster programs will be set next week.

S**upport Area: Parent & Community**

1. **Our LSC Position Lottery-** We held our LSC Position lottery on Thursday, October 8th. We have 11 parents, 4 community, 2 teachers, and 1 non-teaching staff running.
2. **School Improvement Committee Meeting** was held on 10/15/20
3. **LSC-** Interviewed our APfinalists on Monday 10/19/20
4. **LSC Candidates Forum-** was held tonight at 5:00

**Support Area: Professional Development**

1. **FACILITIES/ENGINEER’S REPORT**
2. Many thanks to Sodexo, Ms. Sharon Buick for providing us with two huge dumpsters to discard outdated textbooks and broken equipment.
3. Many thanks to CPS staff for putting up safety signs around the building in preparation for when students return to in person learning.
4. **LUNCHROOM**
5. **BUDGET –** Our 10th Day Allocation is showing an enrollment change from 1225 to 1186 students. A decrease of 39 students showing a reduction of $191,605.83. However, schools will not receive any funding cuts this school year.

1. **HANDOUTS-** 10th Day Budget Report
2. **UPCOMING EVENTS- None**