

Family Engagement Team

Meeting Date: May 18

Time: 4:00pm

Location: Zoom

Attendees: Ms. Meneguín, Ms. Harbour, Ms. Swenson, Ms. Hodge, Ms. Gant

Agenda:

Review of events from this year or previous years.

Teacher Meet and Greet – Day before the start of school

New Teacher Coffee – First day of school

Open House/Title 1 Mtg – August

Parent Teacher Conferences – September

Wellness and Gratitude Day - November

Literacy and Kindness (Cultural focus) Night – December

Academic Awards – January

Parent Teacher Conferences – February

Love of Reading/Career Week - February

Math and Science Night – March

Annual Sock Hop – April

Fine Arts Night – May

Promotion Ceremony/Academic Awards – May

Arts/Concerts - quarterly

PTO Events – monthly

PTO Meetings - monthly

- The red events were planned before pre-Covid. Due to Covid many event occurred via Zoom or had to be postponed or cancelled.

Ideas for next year:

Possibly using Esser funds for having monthly engagement nights where teachers present parent help for math, reading, social emotional learning.

Additional literacy night

- Create a form to send to parents about what they would like to learn more about at literacy.
- This night would educate parents what leveled reading is and strategies that can help parents to help children progress into the next level. Also help parents see the progression of what each reading level looks like. Ms. Hodge addressed the concern that best practices in literacy is that students and parents should not know what “level” they are at because it puts pressure on students and parents. It doesn’t promote reading at different levels. Most reading specialists would suggest not focus on reading levels when helping children to pick out reading books.
- Ms. Harbour suggested giving parents “fun” techniques to help students build literacy like rhyming games and other ways that may not be sit down and read with students.
- Ms. Swenson suggested strategies and techniques such as visual learning, selecting the correct book, vocabulary building skills.
- Possibly have Reading Seed partner with us for the evening.
- Share certain strategies to correlate to AZM2.
- Daily 5 and Café strategies for readers to choose a book.
 - Making connections to shoes and thinking about different shoes are for different reasons. Have kids' think, what shoe do I need for each event? What book do I need this time?

PBIS night

- Evening to explain what the PBIS system at Kellond looks like.
- Find ways to engage parents in the PBIS process at school and to make the home school connection to PBIS.

Cultural Night

- Invite parents to create a display or table to discuss their culture.
- Have food trucks come from the same cultures.
- Passports with stamps at each station for the kids.
- Possibly have different grade levels “be” a country and teach about. Could have grade level teams do it.

Miscellaneous ideas:

- Add a Clue game type event to the evening.
- Escape Room night for parents and students
- Virtual Bingo

- STEM night and room opening.

Meeting adjourned at 4:45 pm