

Bromwell Elementary - CSC Meeting Notes

Collaborative School Committee Meeting Notes -- October 7, 2015

<u>Participants</u>	In attendance?		In attendance?		In attendance?		In attendance?	
Parents:	Bernard Candelaria	Y	Becky O'Connor	Y	Pam Lawrence	Y	Matthew Perry	N
Teachers:	Alyssa Beski	Y	Kristina Schultz	Y	Joel Stewart	Y	Elizabeth Olson	N
Principal:	Jody Cohn	Y						

A. Call to Order and Welcome

B. **CMAS/Standards Night:** During our Nov. 4th meeting our CSC will be hosting a Parent Standard Night to be held at 6:00 p.m. Members of our School Leadership Team will be presenting information on the new Expeditionary Learning Curriculum (grades 3rd -5th) in Literacy. At this meeting the results from the 4th Grade Social Studies and 5th Grade Science Colorado Measures of Academic Success (CMAS) results will be presented. In addition, we will message out the current shifts in the Common Core State Standards as it relates to instruction, and will share the 2015 Parent Satisfaction Results. Please note, the Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC) results, which tested 3rd through 5th in Literacy and Math will not be released until late November.

C. **SPF Rating:** DPS will not be releasing a 2015 School Performance Framework (SPF). The district is in transition to a new and improved SPF or "School Report Cards". This change is occurring because the state is transitioning to new academic standards and assessments. These changes are welcomed as they focus on important skills – such as collaboration, communication, and problem solving – to ensure our students graduate ready for college and career. Due to the uncertainty of comparing the old assessments with the new ones, as well as the fact that results will not be released until later this year, the district will not be publishing an SPF until the fall of 2016.

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- D. **Phone App:** The committee discussed the request for an App for cell phones. Designer of the App site indicated that it was cost prohibitive. Bromwell website design team has made modifications so the Bromwell site is more mobile phone friendly. The group also discussed the use of IC Messenger to send out updates to the parents. It was determined that these would be an appropriate compromises for the current 2015-2016 school year.
- E. **Data Teams:** Every Thursday, our teachers meet during their planning time with Joel and/or Jody to discuss student growth as it relates to the curriculum. We identify strengths and challenges, and strategies to improve student learning.
- F. **Number Talks:** Teachers are implementing Number Talks as a part of their daily math curriculum. A Number Talk is a short, ongoing daily routine that provides students with meaningful ongoing practice with computation. A Number Talk is a powerful tool for helping students develop computational fluency because the expectation is that they will use number relationships and the structures of numbers to add, subtract, multiply and divide.
- G. **SOAR Program:** Bromwell currently has a Positive Behavioral Intervention and Supports System known as SOAR. This stands for Safety, Ownership, Achieve, and Respect. In support of this and our monthly Core Value Program the school is now issuing *Been Caught Soaring* Tickets. Students will be recognized with SOAR tickets if they are demonstrating these positive behaviors. Tickets will be collected by teachers, and at the end of the week a ticket will be drawn from each class, students names will be announced over the PA system, and students will receive a small prize from the treasure box in the office.
- H. **Additional Items:** Parent representatives shared concerns regarding the homework policy and requested that it be added to the agenda for the next Professional Development Day. Suggestions included better

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communication between platooning teachers, increasing due dates to include weekends, and sharing successful practices from previous years.

- I. **Adjournment:** Next CSC Meeting will be on Wednesday, November 4, 2015 @ 6:00 p.m. during the Parent Standard Night.

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Ongoing Acronym/Definition List:

Note: This is a living document and should be appended (in alpha-order) with each meeting's minutes.

Classified: Paraprofessional/"Para"
CDE: Colorado Department of Education
TCAP: Transitional Colorado Assessment Program (formerly referred to as CSAP or Colorado Student Assessment Program)
CSC: Collaborative School Committee
HIIM: High Impact Instructional Moves
LEAP: Leading Effective Academic Practice
Para: Paraprofessional
PBIS: Positive Behavior Intervention Systems
PEBC: Public Education & Business Coalition
RWM: Reading, Writing & Math
SET: School-wide Evaluation Tool
SOAR: Safety, Ownership, Achieve, Respect. SOAR is Bromwell's methodology for implementing PBIS.
SPF: School Performance Framework
UIP: Unified Improvement Plan (formerly referred to as SIP or School Improvement Plan)

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