

WMES School Improvement Council Meeting
Thursday, February 22, 2024



I. SIC Business

- A. The February School Improvement Council (SIC) Meeting started at 4:40 P.M. The minutes for the January SIC Meeting were approved with changes. The motion was made by Mr. Phillips and seconded by Mrs. Tillson.

II. School Report/New Business

- A. Presently the enrollment is 582, an increase from 579 in January.
- B. First and third grade enrollment remained the same. Pre-Kindergarten went down by one student; Kindergarten, fourth, and fifth grades went up by one student; and second grade increased by three students.

III. School Report

- A. Update of Events
- Parental Workshops have been held for all grade levels. The turnout for the workshops held during the school day had a large turnout. Depending when the workshops were held, students got to eat either lunch or breakfast with their parent(s). 3rd-5th grade held theirs in the evening, and snacks were provided.
 - *The Kids Heart Challenge* is going on during the month of February.
 - NEW to the school's website is the Week at a Glance. Mr. Phillips, webmaster, also shares it with Mrs. Dantzler to post of the school's Facebook page.
- B. Upcoming Events
- The GT Performance Task Assessment will be administered next week (February 27 & 28).
 - The Glow Dance will be held for 3rd-5th graders on February 29th.
 - There will be two (2) Black History Programs February 29th. The theme is the arts.
 - Mrs. Pandora went through the events that will occur before the next SIC Meeting in March.
 - A date has not been set for the National Honor Society Induction or Family Movie Night.
 - The WMES Pageants will be Friday, April 5th.
 - The school is planning a Parents' Night Out that would provide supper and a movie for students. Parents will have to sign-up in the Front Office, but space will be limited.
 - Spring i-Ready Diagnostic Testing will take place the week of March 11th.
- C. SIC/Title 1 Planning Meeting
- The following were distributed for members to assist in revising.
 - School Parent Compact
 - Parent Involvement Policy
 - Report to Parents
 - 2023-2024 WMES Comprehensive Needs Assessment
 - DD4 Comprehensive Discipline Plan

The Title 1 Plan and the School Renewal Plan (SRP) will be reviewed during the March meeting.

IV. School Report Card Rating

- A. Our 2022-2023 SRC Rating is a 51 (Average). The link was shared that can be used to access the School Report Card.

V. Basic Operation of a School Improvement Committee

- A. Handbook for Effectiveness was distributed, and electronic copy will be sent with the reminder for October's meeting.
- B. **Assist in developing the Report to Parents**
- C. Assist in writing the narrative for the **School Report Card**
- D. Assist in Developing and Revising the **School Renewal Plan**
- E. **Assist in the revision of the Parent Involvement Policy and School-Home Compact for Title 1**

VI. Miscellaneous

- A. March Attendance Madness will begin the first week of March. Attendance is a focus, and different competitions with incentives have been on-going. We're All Here—Classes with Perfect Attendance (everyone in class with no tardies and no early sign outs) were announced daily, and a lottery was held on Fridays. The class pulled received a treat and a Tiger Ticket. Attendance Counts Board—Currently, grade levels are competing daily to see which grade level has the highest attendance percentage. The grade that has the highest attendance rate receives (their choice) a dance party, extended recess, etc.
- B. There was a discussion about the negative social media posts and misconceptions that are being discussed about i-Ready.
- C. Ms. Mims explained the difference between Title 1 (10 strategies) and Title IV (specific areas) federal funding.

The motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Mr. Phillips and seconded by Mrs. Whitener. The meeting adjourned at 6:24 P.M.