

## **SHAC Minutes for December 7, 2021-**

Members of the SHAC met on Tuesday, December 7, 2021 at 4:00 pm in the cafeteria on the secondary campus. Those present Selena Sheets, Keely Vanacker, Lydia Nichols, Michelle Fairchild, Jenny Carpenter, Annie Jones and Catherine Kern.

The minutes from the October 5th meeting had been sent to members and no additions or corrections were made. Selena Sheets made a motion to accept the minutes, Keely Vanacker seconded the motion and it was approved.

### **Counselor News-**

**IES:** Annie Jones, IES Counselor, has been doing different lessons with the students throughout the semester. She is currently going into the homerooms and teaching students in second through fifth grade things such as internet safety and how to be good digital citizens. Kindergarten and first grade students are learning about good social skills. Students are also going to be taking Benchmark tests in reading and math before the end of the semester.

**IMS:** Keely Vanacker, IMS Counselor, is also meeting with students in the classrooms each week. The 8th grade students are learning how to think ahead about high school and college readiness, as well as making good decisions. The 6th and 7th grade students are learning ways to handle drama and how to identify and express feelings in a healthy way. IMS is hosting guest speakers and online presentations for 6th-8th grades each Monday. Speakers from Schreiner University and KPUB have come to the campus, as well as physical therapists and several others from various professions. Students have also been able to watch virtual presentations from Nepris regarding different career options. IMS is preparing students for Benchmark testing in math and reading, as well as final exams, which will take place next week.

**ITM:** Students are TSI testing and enrolling for Dual Credit classes for next semester. Students have also been completing EOC exams, and are preparing for finals next week as well.

### **Nurse News-**

**IES:** Covid testing is continuing, but the number of tests done weekly has decreased, as well as the number of positive cases. There are students who have had flu-like symptoms, but have had only two reported cases of Flu this school year. All vision, hearing, Acanthosis Nigricans, and spinal screenings will be completed by the end of the semester, in accordance with DSHS guidelines.

**IMS/ITM:** The number of positive Covid cases on the secondary campus has also decreased, and there has not been a positive case reported since November 1st. Both middle school and high school have also seen a decline in flu cases, with only two reported this

semester. All required screenings have been completed for the school year, and the Annual Immunization report has been submitted to DSHS. Annual reports for the hearing, vision, Acanthosis Nigricans, and spinal screenings will be submitted in June. Covid testing will continue to be offered for staff and students at no charge, however, there have been a few changes to note. Nurses on each campus will not use the BinaxNOW test, and will begin using the GenBody rapid test, which also gives results in 15 minutes. Parents and staff will no longer receive the email and text notifications to access their results and will be notified instead by the school nurse. For those who need documentation of their test results, a letter will be given by the nurse with the date of the test, results, and instructions if they test positive. Parents will still be able to use the same consent forms that were used previously, and can be accessed online or completed in the clinic.

### **Gym News-**

**IES:** Michelle Fairchild reported that the annual Walkathon that was held on October 29 at the high school track was a huge success. She has recently returned from a PE conference in Arlington, Texas and stated that IES will begin implementing new games in the Spring Semester. There will be new TEKS introduced to the curriculum for the 2022-2023 school year for PE classes. Heart Heros will begin at the end of January/beginning of February 2022, and will continue until Valentine's Day.

### **Cafeteria News-**

Jenny Carpenter discussed some menu changes on both campuses, due to a shortage from the school's food supplier. They are hoping to have these issues resolved in January. There will be a state review held on March 22 for the cafeterias and they are busy preparing for that.

### **New Business-**

Spirit Night at Culvers for IES on December 7, from 4:00-9:00 pm; 10% of the proceeds from all sales will be donated to the school.

IES will be hosting a book fair from December 9-16 from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm, and Family Night will be December 15th from 5:00-7:00 pm.

IES 5th grade will be performing December 9th at 6:00 pm in the cafeteria (Christmas concert)

ITM Warrior Band will be hosting their Christmas concert December 9th at 5:30 pm in the auditorium on the secondary campus.

The annual Christmas Parade in Ingram will be held on Saturday, December 11, beginning at 6:00 pm. Each campus is represented by floats and students will be participating in the parade. All are invited to attend this event.

All three campuses are busy getting gifts and meals ready for those in need over the holidays. Donations have been received from local businesses and organizations, such as the Rotary Club, and also from staff and families in the district. Mrs. Jones reported that over the Thanksgiving holiday 16 families at IES received donations of food, and they have between 20-25 children who will be receiving Christmas gifts.

IMS and ITM students will be taking final exams beginning December 15-17th, and there will be half days scheduled for those three days as well. IES students will be on their regular schedule and Christmas break will be December 20, 2021 through January 3, 2022. Staff will return to work on Monday, January 3rd and students will be back in the classroom on January 4th.

Jennifer Bledsoe, director of the Parenting Resource Center in Kerrville, has been contacted regarding the Worth the Wait program that is held at the middle school each year. More information will be released when available about the schedule and plans for the program during the Spring Semester.

There was no other new business to discuss and the meeting was adjourned at approximately 4:50 pm. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 8, 2022 at 4:00 pm in the cafeteria on the secondary campus.

Respectfully submitted by-

Catherine Kern, Secretary