

SIC Meeting on September 11, 2023

Johnsonville Middle School

Meeting Time-6:00 in JMS Media Center

Members Present

1. Mirandi Squires, Principal of JMS
2. Donna Gaye Tanner
3. Ben Jackson
4. Rocki Wells-Chair
5. Margaret Askins
6. Ivori Henryhand
7. Rupal Khambhaita
8. Peyton Hill

Overview of Meeting

Mirandi Squires

After each member introduced themselves, Mrs. Squires shared information concerning the instructional programs and incentives for students at Johnsonville Middle School. (*The PowerPoint presentation will be included with this overview of the meeting.*) Information was shared by Mrs. Squires on i-Ready and Reading Plus and how it is being utilized in the classrooms. Benchmark One i-Ready data was also shared on the school's progress toward closing the achievement gap in reading and math.

Information was given on how inclusion is being implemented with some of our resource teachers. Two of our resource teachers are spending time in the regular classroom with their students who have IEP'S. This allows both the resource and classroom teacher to collaborate more on meeting the needs of students with IEP'S.

In addition to inclusion and instructional programs, the school is ensuring that the students have an additional twenty to twenty-five minutes of math and reading instruction along with the sixty-minute class periods for each of those subjects. All content area teachers in grades 5-8 are working as a team to ensure the student gaps in learning are continuing to be addressed.

The next part of the meeting was for the SIC to brainstorm ideas that they would possibly like to see as SIC goals for 2023-2024. The following were topics that were brainstormed: dress code, water bottles, use of school lockers, additional parent meetings for students leaving fourth grade and moving into the Fifth Grade Academy. After discussing and talking about why clear water bottles were needed and certain aspects of the dress code and utilizing lockers, SIC felt that a parent meeting before the end of the fourth-grade school year would be very beneficial to the parents to prepare for the new expectations of dress code, etc. A decision was made that before the end of the fourth-grade year, there will be a time for parents to come and learn about new expectations for the 5th Grade Academy. This will be done prior to Open House for new students entering the 5th Grade Academy to help ensure an easier transition to Johnsonville Middle School.

After having our discussion, SIC will be brainstorming other ideas and goals to finalize at our October 22 meeting. When the meeting was dismissed, the group went into the school foyer to look at the student incentive posters before leaving the building.

I am very excited about our 23-24 SIC, and I am looking forward to working with this amazing group to plan and do great things for Johnsonville Middle School.