

Johnsonville Middle School
School Improvement Council (SIC) Meeting
December 1, 2025

Members Present:

- Mirandi Squires, Principal
- Ben Jackson, Teacher
- Donna Gaye Tanner, Teacher
- Kayla Bellflowers, Teacher
- Jimmy Bellflowers, Parent
- Heidi Dumm, Parent
- Rosetta Ham, Parent

Welcome & Report Card Information

- Mrs. Squires welcomed all members and reviewed the school report card. JMS received a Good rating with a total of 51 points, only five points away from an Excellent rating.
- She shared how proud she was of the hard work demonstrated by both teachers and students. She also commended students and teachers for their perseverance through schedule changes and position shifts.
- Mrs. Squires noted increased higher-level thinking during classroom visits.
- Mrs. Bellflowers shared that she is very pleased with the Try It Strategy in the new math curriculum, which encourages students to solve problems in their own way and share strategies with peers.
- A breakdown of the report card components was reviewed: Academic Achievement, Preparing for Success, Student Progress, and School Environment. This information is available in the meeting PowerPoint.
- ELA, Math, and Science scores were discussed, with JMS close to state averages in Science and continuing progress in Math and ELA. See meeting PowerPoint for details.
- Mrs. Squires commended Mrs. Emily Grier for her strong Science instruction and classroom strategies.
- Comparison data with surrounding schools was shared and is available in the meeting PowerPoint.

Strategies to Improve Report Card Score

- Mrs. Squires explained that a new Enrichment period has been added to the 2025–2026 schedule for targeted remediation in reading and math.
- i-Ready lessons are now completed during core ELA and Math classes, allowing teachers to work with Tier 1, 2, and 3 students more effectively.
- Many students have met their i-Ready stretch goals. Mrs. Squires praised Ms. Lesley Huggins for coordinating student incentives and enrichment lessons with teachers.
- The Give Me Five initiative was discussed. Grade levels have developed protocols and strategically grouped students during Enrichment to provide more individualized support.
- i-Ready Fall vs. Winter Diagnostic data indicates a decrease in Tier 3 students and an increase in Tier 1 students in both ELA and Math. This is a positive shift and this information is also available in the meeting PowerPoint.

Goals and Fundraising

- The council has already achieved its communication improvement goal through the use of the Remind app and email updates.
- Mrs. Squires reported that the recent donut fundraiser was very successful.
- Another fundraising idea discussed was adding a Spirit Rock for positive messages; however, members felt that using the digital school sign could accomplish the same goal in a less time-consuming manner.
- Mrs. Squires will follow up regarding the use of the digital sign for a fundraiser.

Closing

- Mrs. Bellflowers shared the minutes from the September SIC meeting.
- Mrs. Squires will notify members of the date of the next SIC meeting.
- Meeting adjourned at 7:10 PM.

Minutes submitted by Donna Gaye Tanner

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