SITE COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday, November 18, 2021 3:00-4:00 p.m.

Attendees

Katie Nash, CEA President
Samantha Solien, Teacher
Alli Lewis, Teacher
Janice Velez, Teacher
Andrea Vanlandingham, Teacher
Cindy Fletcher, Counselor
Shea Dodson, Social Worker
Renee Morris, Teacher
Christina DeHart, Teacher
Debbie Zeldin, Attendance Tech
Jennifer Harley, Office Manager
Kathleen Leonard, Parent
Andrea Schlag, Parent
Kristi Tolman, Parent

Community Schools

Presentation/overview by Katie Nash on Community Schools – what it is and how to implement.

- These are public schools that provide services and support that fits the neighborhood's needs; created and run by people who know our students best families, educators, community organizations, local governments and the students all working together.
- Becoming a Community School takes 1-3 years to full implement. As a site we would need to:
 - 1. Decide....do we want it?
 - 2. Develop a plan of action
 - 3. Work on implementation timeline
- Community School is not a program or title for a school, "it's a feeling" and is based on 6 pillars;
 - Strong and proven culturally relevant curriculum
 - High quality teaching and learning
 - Inclusive leadership
 - Positive behavior practices (including restorative justice)
 - Family and community partnerships
 - Coordinated and integrated wraparound supports (community support services)
- Those in the nation that are a Community School have seen positive results such as; increase in attendance and grades; higher graduation rates and a reduction in behavior issues with students.
- Community members would be helping our students not just the staff. City employees, health care workers, social workers, non-profit organizations, etc.

We need to identify issues and discuss our hopes for our students and set up a Community School Team. This will be done with both our staff and parents at our next brainstorming meeting on Wednesday, January 12th at 4 p.m.