



Wildcat Parent Time Minutes

Wednesday, October 25, 2023

8:00 AM - 9:30 AM



Meetings are held in the EBCA cafeteria.

Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) and English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC) Collaborative Meetings

I. **Welcome** – Called to Order at **8:00 AM**

- a. 12 in Attendance
 - i. 8 Parents (4 EL Parents)
 - ii. 2 School Staff
 - iii. 2 Administrators

- b. Presenter Introductions
 - i. Ms. Sanchez, School Counselor
 - ii. Mr. Garcia, School Principal/Executive Director
 - iii. Mr. Sprattling, Vice-Principal/Curriculum & Instruction Director

II. **Open Discussion** – Public Comments

- a. Mr. Garcia provided an overview of today's discussion items and encouraged parents to seek his assistance as needed. Parents can ask to meet with Mr. Garcia to address concerns through the office - parents do not have to wait until the monthly parent meetings to speak with him.
 - i. *A parent agreed and thanked Mr. Garcia.*
- b. Thanked parents for their attendance, parent involvement matters.
 - i. *No further questions or suggestions were presented by attendees.*

Items Scheduled for Action

- III. Approval of Parent and Family Engagement Policy
 - a. Motion Carried: All parents in attendance voted "Yes"

- IV. Merging of Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) and English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC) into one collaborative committee "Wildcat Parent Committee"
 - a. Motion Carried: All parents in attendance voted "Yes"

Items Scheduled for Discussion

- V. **School News/Updates**
 - a. Title I Annual Meeting
 - i. Reviewed what Title I is, our school goals, and Title I services
 - b. "Success Together" Family Workshops: Evening Parent Involvement Opportunities resumed; Upcoming meeting scheduled for November 7th
 - i. Parents will be notified of scheduled meetings with advanced notice through Facebook and ParentSquare
 - ii. *Parents expressed their excitement for the evening workshops. 2 parents were unable to attend the last workshop meeting due to another meeting they attended at Computech Middle School.*

- VI. **ELAC/PAC (combined) “Wildcat Parent Committee” Elections**
- a. Parents elected other parents or self-elected
 - i. Names put on a Google Form ballot for parents to submit
 - ii. 6 parents self-elected, 1 parent elected another parent
 - iii. Ballot sent out through ParentSquare, deadline to submit on Friday, November 3rd
 - *Parents expressed agreement towards merging the ELAC and PAC committees as it is important to have everyone on the same page and supporting all students.*

- VII. **EL Reclassification and Monitoring**
- a. Provided hand out in English and Spanish on criteria for reclassification for EL students
 - i. *EL parents shared their experiences with their own students designated as EL. EL parents asked how students are being prepared to pass the ELPAC and meet the criteria to be reclassified. - **Addressed questions and discussed services offered at EBCA and how teachers are supporting EL students.***

- VIII. **Presentation on Topic: Middle School Options**
- a. Choice Schools and Neighborhood Schools
 - i. Provided a handout listing schools of choice in Fresno as well as descriptions of the different options available (magnet, admission criteria, charter schools)
 - ii. *Parents shared they were unaware of the number of school choices they had. They did not know each school of choice in FUSD had a primary subject focus. - **Encouraged parents to reach out to the schools to obtain more information if they feel pique their interest as well as their student’s.***
 - b. Middle School Transition
 - i. Briefly reviewed middle school expectations and invited parents to the next meeting to learn more about middle school transition
 - c. Fresno Unified School District (FUSD) Student Transfer application assistance
 - i. 3 parents submitted FUSD student transfer applications
 - ii. *Parents asked if EBCA automatically enrolls 6th-grade students to their 7th-grade middle school - **Parents made aware that since we are a charter school, parents are responsible for enrolling their student to a middle school of choice or their neighborhood school.***

Adjournment – Adjourned at **9:30 AM**

IX. **Questions**

- a. Feedback Survey

X. **Resources Provided**

- a. Middle School Options handout

- b. EL Reclassification Criteria handout
- c. Parent and Family Engagement Policy copies
- d. FUSD Student Transfer Application

Next “Wildcat Parent Time” Meeting: Wednesday, November 29th, 2023



Wildcat Parent Time Junta de Padres

Mr. Garcia, Ms. Sanchez, Mr. Sprattling

10/25/2023

Agenda

- Welcome
- Open Discussion
- Important school news/updates
 - Title I Annual Meeting
 - EL Reclassification and Monitoring
 - PAC and ELAC merging committees
 - ELAC Committee Elections
 - Parent and Family Engagement Policy
 - “Success Together” Family Workshops
- Presentation on Topic: Middle School Options
 - Choice Schools and Neighborhood Schools
 - Middle School Transition
 - FUSD Student Transfer Application assistance
- Questions & Feedback Survey

- Bienvenido
- Discusión abierta
- Noticias/actualizaciones importantes de la escuela
 - Título I Reunión Anual
 - Reclassificación y seguimiento de EL
 - Comités de fusión de PAC y ELAC
 - Elecciones del Comité ELAC
 - Política de participación de padres y familias
 - Talleres Familiares “Éxito Juntos”
- Presentación del tema: Opciones de escuelas intermedias
 - Escuelas de elección y escuelas de vecindario
 - Transición a la escuela secundaria
 - Asistencia para la solicitud de transferencia de estudiantes del FUSD
- Encuesta de preguntas y comentarios



Open Discussion



School News/Noticias Escolares: Title I Annual Meeting/Título I Junta Anual

What is Title I?

- This program provides supplemental federal funding for improving student achievement, especially in high-poverty schools. This may include a variety of academic support, parent involvement and staff development to improve instruction and educational services for students.

¿Qué es el Título I?

- Este programa provee fondos suplementarios para mejorar la ejecución académica del estudiante, especialmente en escuelas con un nivel alto de pobreza. Esto puede incluir una variedad de apoyo académico, participación de los padres y desarrollo del personal para mejorar la instrucción y los servicios educativos para los estudiantes.

Annual Meeting/Junta Anual:

Mon., Oct. 30th from 3:30 - 4:30 PM in the library



Criteria for Reclassification for EL Students

Criterios de reclasificación para estudiantes “EL”

The English Language Proficiency Assessments for California (ELPAC) is the state required test for English Language Proficiency (ELP) given to students whose primary language is a language other than English.

1. ELPAC General Performance Level (PL) 4 was approved by the State Board of Education as the standardized statewide ELP criterion (1) and LEAs shall use ELPAC General PL 4 to determine whether a student has met that criterion.
2. Teacher evaluations
3. Parent consultation
4. Comparison of performance in basic skills to English proficient students

Las Evaluaciones de Dominio del Idioma Inglés para California (ELPAC) son la prueba requerida por el estado para el Dominio del Idioma Inglés (ELP) que se administra a los estudiantes que hablan un idioma principal distinto al inglés.

1. ELPAC General Performance Level (PL) 4 fue aprobado por la Junta de Educación del Estado como el criterio ELP estandarizado a nivel estatal (1) y las LEA utilizarán ELPAC General PL 4 para determinar si un estudiante ha cumplido con ese criterio.
2. Evaluaciones docentes
3. Consulta de padres
4. Comparación del desempeño en habilidades básicas con estudiantes con dominio del inglés

School News/Noticias Escolares: PAC & ELAC

- Voting on the merging of Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) and English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC) into one collaborative committee - “Wildcat Parent Time”



- Votando sobre la fusión del Comité Asesor de Padres (PAC) y el Comité Asesor de padres de estudiantes aprendiendo Inglés (ELAC) en un comité colaborativo: “Wildcat Parent Committee”



School News/Noticias Escolares: Committee Elections/Elecciones del Comité

- We are in need of Members for our Committee. Would anyone like to self-elect themselves or elect another parent to be a part of our committee?
 - Names will be included on an electronic ballot and sent to parents to consent or add their name to the ballot.



- Necesitamos miembros para nuestro Comité. ¿Alguien quisiera autoelegirse o elegir a otro padre para ser parte de nuestro comité?
 - Los nombres se incluirán en una boleta electrónica y se enviarán a los padres para que den su consentimiento o agreguen su nombre a la boleta.

School News/Noticias Escolares: Parent and Family Engagement Policy

- EBCA has developed a written Parent and Family Engagement Policy with input from Title I parents and families. This Policy describes the means for carrying out Title I parent and family engagement requirements.
 - Discusses ways we involve parents, provide parent classes/trainings, and how we send communication/invitations for certain school events and meetings (i.e. ParentSquare, Facebook, etc.)

- EBCA ha desarrollado una Políza escrita de participación de padres y familias con aportes de los padres y familias del Título I. Esta Políz describe los medios para llevar a cabo requisitos de participación de padres y familias del Título I.
 - Analiza las formas en que involucramos a los padres, ofrecemos clases para padres y cómo enviamos comunicaciones/invitaciones para ciertos eventos y juntas escolares (es decir, ParentSquare, Facebook, etc.)

School News/Noticias Escolares

- Evening Parent Classes facilitated by Success Together have resumed.
 - a. Next Meeting: Tuesday, November 7th at 5:30 PM
TOPIC: Self-Care for Parents

- Se han reanudado las clases nocturnas para padres facilitadas por Success Together.
 - a. Próxima junta: martes 7 de noviembre a las 5:30 p.m.
TEMA: Autocuidado para padres

Fresno County Superintendent of Schools Invites You To:
FREE PARENT & FAMILY CLASSES
In Partnership with Success Together



Learn new ways to support your children's educational & emotional needs
FREE childcare for all parent classes
Dinner, class supplies, & translation included with registration
Space is limited to 30 families per class

Success Together's award-winning team looks forward to welcoming you to engaging and empowering Parent & Family Classes!

Upcoming Classes

Tuesdays

- 9/28 5:30pm Highly Effective Ways to Raise a Successful Reader for Life
- 10/7 5:30pm BIG Feelings: How to Help Kids Cope with Their TOUGHEST Feelings
- 11/7 5:30pm Self-Care for Parents: Why It's NOT Selfish, How To Start, & How It Helps Your Family
- 12/6 5:30pm Positive Discipline: Scream-Free Parenting Techniques (that actually work!)

Thursdays

- 9/21 6:30pm Family Literacy: Building Reading Comprehension with Art
- 10/19 6:30pm Family Science: Experiments with Weather
- 11/18 6:30pm Family Reading Adventures: Fly Guy's Big Family Storytime + Comic Book Creation

How to Sign Up

Register Online
tinyurl.com/STLearn



Or By Texting
"SUCCESS" to 833-224-8208

Success Together

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Middle School Options

Opciones de escuelas intermedias

Options/Opciones

1. Magnet Schools
 - a. Schools that have unique programs and themes. Selection is administered via a random lottery.
2. Admission Criteria Schools (Still Magnet School)
 - a. Schools that have unique programs and themes. Students selected must meet the approved academic criteria, which may include test scores and grades.
3. Dual Language Immersion Programs
 - a. Instruct students to speak, read, and write in two languages.
4. Charter Schools


1. Escuelas Magnet
 - a. Escuelas que tienen programas y temas únicos. La selección se administra mediante una lotería aleatoria.
2. Criterios de admisión Escuelas (Escuela Magnet)
 - a. Escuelas que tienen programas y temas únicos. Los estudiantes seleccionados deben cumplir con los criterios académicos aprobados, que pueden incluir puntajes y calificaciones de exámenes.
3. Programas de inmersión en dos idiomas
 - a. Instruya a los estudiantes a hablar, leer y escribir en dos idiomas.
4. Escuelas charter

FUSD Application

Solicitud de FUSD

***Placements announced mid-April*

***Ubicaciones anunciadas a mediados de abril*



Thank you for coming!
¡Gracias por su asistencia!

Questions? ¿Preguntas?



Next Meeting: Wed., Nov. 29th
Próxima Junta: miér., 29 de noviembre