

# Millcreek Junior High School

Community Council Agenda for February 22, 2018

## **Community Council Members**

Jason Steenblik – Chair, Angela Cummings – Member, Suzette Garrison – Member, Jamie Christensen – Member, Julie Fleming – Member, Julie Millard – Member, Heather Murri – Member, Janelle Lanier – PTA Rep, Brock Jackman – Principal, Amberly Cox – Counselor/JSSC Rep, Geoff Bovey – Teacher, Doug Hammerschmidt-Assistant Principal, Shelly Wright – Assistant Principal

### Agenda Items

#### Welcome:

#### PTA News:

- White Ribbon Week this week has been great!
  - NetzSmart Assembly had great information for students.
  - It was reported that a student at CJH got through the district filters and was viewing pornography in class. He bypassed the filters through a game called Igari.o
  - The district computer system isn't perfect, but we are always looking for ways to improve.

#### Counselors' Corner:

- We completed incoming 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grade registration February 1.
- We visit all six feeder schools to welcome them to junior high.
- We held incoming 7<sup>th</sup> grade orientation February 21 and had a great turn out.
  - o Are there things you like at orientation?
  - Parents reported students enjoy trying a locker combination and looking for classes. They also like the open house format.
- We have revamped our Random Acts of Kindness weeks. Hope Squad made two giant posters for the hallway. Students are encouraged to do an act of kindness at home, school/community and something they choose.
  - We are trying to find ways to have students lift each other and create a culture of kindness.
  - What are things we could do as counselors to help students with bullying and suicide prevention?
    - The Safe UT app is being used by students.

### School News

- Digital Citizenship Plan /White Ribbon Week
  - Constantly working to encourage students if they see something, say something.



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- BHS Hope Squad members came and taught 8<sup>th</sup> grade health classes about suicide warning signs and the SafeUT app.
- Planning for SIP 2019
  - We reviewed our current SIP goals
  - o All grade levels are the top in the district for SAGE LA scores.
  - We have tried to help improve math scores this year by:
    - Double blocking 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grade students in math classes
    - Added technology in math classes to reinforce concepts taught
    - Added time for teachers with collaboration
  - o For next year, we would like goals to support:
    - Professional Learning Communities and SAGE growth scores
    - 9th grade on track for graduation
    - Writing emphasis
  - We would like to allocate funds next year for a robotics club
  - The state has allocated money for technology in the district next year to have one-to-one technology for students
  - Goal for next year is to have seven classroom of partial chrome book labs (15-20 chrome books)
- Education Open House 2/27 7 PM
  - o Town Hall Meeting with school board members in MJH library.
- Other
  - School Security
    - All school doors are locked except for the main office.
    - We would like all parents to check in at the main office.
    - We will have visitor badges for parents to wear.
  - o Administration/Counselors
    - The comment was made in appreciation for the administration and counselors for their kindness in expressing appreciation to students for the bravery in reporting difficult situations.
  - Upcoming Dates
    - Thursday, March 22: give final input for SIP
    - Thursday, March 29: Write SIP at Learning First conference
    - Tuesday, April 10: finalize SIP
    - Friday, April 13: Submit SIP