



SEDFIELD MIDDLE SCHOOL

SIT MEETING AGENDA

October 9, 2023 | 3:45-5:00 | Zoom

Meeting Invitees: Robin Beach, Amy Brown, Madeley Buitrago, Lori Culicerto, Catherine Eldridge, Julianne Guzik, Heidi Inman, Ann-Miller Mattocks, Ashaki Means, Sheena Miracle, John Murchison, Jaime Rentch, Kelly Rodriguez, Greg Skidmore, Ginny Sloan, Eric Tornfelt

Meeting Facilitator: Ann-Miller Mattocks, SIT Chair

Sedgefield Middle School 2023-2024 SMART Goals:

1. The percent of 8th grade students who score at the College and Career (CCR) level -- a 4 or 5 -- on the Grade 8 Mathematics EOG will increase from 5.3% in SY2021-22 to 16.7% in SY2022-23 and 28.0 % in SY2023-24. (A2.04, B3.03 and CMS Goal 2)
2. We will exceed expected Educator Value Added Assessment System (EVAAS) growth for our overall school index in SY2022-23 and SY2023-24. (A4.01, B3.03 and CMS Goal 4)
3. The percent of students reporting a positive self-perception of their self-management will increase from 72.0% on the Fall 2021 Panorama Screener (in Grades 6-12) to 77% in SY2022-23 and 82% in SY2023-24. (A4.16) (CMS Goal CMS Guardrail 3.1)
4. Out-of-School Suspension (OSS) disproportionately for Black students will decrease from 33.9% in SY2021-22 to 28.4% in SY2022-23 and 23.0% in SY2023-24. (E.1.06, A 1.07 and CMS Guardrail 1.3)

Call to order with Vision Statement: *Sedgefield Middle School will create a responsive school environment and culture that nurtures social, emotional, and academic skills to support the development of each student's potential.*

Roll Call

Approval of September 26, 2023, Minutes Motion to approve – approved.

Academic Business – Sheena Miracle, Principal

- Comprehensive Data Report
No new information. Questions answered & clarified. Plan was well received by learning community.
When do they become a chronic absentee – percentage of days missed. Letters sent after 3, 5, 8, 10 days absent. Adjust as they go throughout the year and if correction the percentage will be adjusted.
Chronically absent at 10 unexcused days & will be monitored at 6 days.

Discipline is not measured to the percent – not disproportional. Disproportionality is measured by the total school. Sedgefield is one of the only schools with balanced groups. The measurement does not truly capture what percent is trying to capture. Does not match subgroup percentage for whole school. It is not broken down. Only looking at total suspensions.

Trends in difference of behaviors. Caucasian student issues are more like bullying, teasing vs black student's issues are more physical that end up as physical altercations. Focus on interventions that are in place- trusted adults, etc. Working with bus drivers re: incidents on the buses. We have worked with the transportation specialist to split buses/routes to balance the number of students on buses and routes. We are working to build relationships with drivers and students. We want to see a reduction in wholistic suspensions.

Waiting for an answer to find out how Math 1 data counts for 7th grade students. Growth not met in Math 1, Science 8th grade.

The students have to have a test score that fills every slot. 7th grade double tests – Math 1 EOC and 7th Grade Math EOG. Question: Is it counted in actual year that student sits for Math 1 or held until the next year? Where are the EVAAS scores building for growth expectations on 4, 5,6 or 5, 6, 7?

Important to know so that we can push in & get support where needed. Make sure all content is covered – geometry is in Math 7 not Math 1 which is beyond CMS' control.

Do we need to look at Math 1 in Spring to teach them geometry? Hopefully will have answer to this question on 10/10/23 after meeting.

Not able to give Panorama screening. District does not plan to give it. Trusted adult survey so that we have the bare minimum information.

- Attendance Incentive Impact:
- Incentive to have more students attending school. 40% vs >80% students attending school. This shows growth on EOG and end of year test scores.
- Current incentive – extra HAC. Current attendance at 95%. Mr. Smoak and Ms. Means are working on attendance violators.
- If a student is issued OSS, school speaks with parents to get students to go to the short term suspension center which changes OSS to ISS. It is a structured environment and CMS employees work there and give assistance to students assigned.

Spartan time up and running. Ms. Eldridge and Ms. Crutchfield have done a great job. 8th grade science started today with a great plan. Teachers are working on iReady diagnostics which gives each student a personalized experience.

Carnegie tutoring for students 10-15 hours weekly. For Math 1 students can receive time and those who are in the middle of the road. Funding from district. Carnegie specializing in math. District would help support with more reading or EL based and will identify a tutoring program for those students to grow or maintain the level.

Seminars and clubs started Friday. A lot of highly skilled students opted for study hall that was offered this year and used the time wisely.

Title IX – Eric Tornfelt, Assistant Principal

Structures are in place re: race, gender. All staff members have completed Title IX training. Most students have completed Title IX lessons.

Doing ongoing training 11/8/23 – Title IX liaison training within the District. Ms. Miracle and Dr. Tornfelt concerns talk with district when situations arise.

Have good support. Talk about Title IX twice per semester. SLT team is in compliance as established by Title IX by CMS.

Full implementation of the grant to provide programming to help students have meaningful lives. Lunch buddies (17 on roster) helps to encourage students and maximize the time and opportunity presented to them.

Programs with Dottie Rose foundation. Speed networking event 12 professionals – science and STEM fields. Girls cycled around stations to meet with professionals and asked questions related to careers and are able to glean positive habits.

10/20/23 – Field trip for girls in Dottie Rose club.

Boys: there are speakers lined up to make presentations to Men of Sedgefield.

Other Business

- PTO Update – Ginny Sloan, PTO Representative
- October – Principal Appreciation Month to be celebrated the week of 10/15/23.
- 10/20/23 Fall Festival 4-6 p.m.
- 10/24/23 General PTO meeting
- Capital Campaign wrapping up – raised \$91,000 – PTO budget, \$ capital investments at school. 59 6th grade, 45 7th grade, 37 8th grade families participated in Capital Campaign.
- Sparty Party – very successful and silent action.
- Dottie Rose grant protentional \$100,000 grant from Lowes for school improvement working with Dottie Rose to join with schools. Looking for a grant write.
- National STEM week in November – Dr. Jones dimensions of the courtyard take measurements & photos and have a group of young ladies will work to make mock-up designs and designs will be entered like an architect for students to vote on the designs.
- Prospective Parent Committee starting tours for 5th grade families – limit to 6 people per tour and ask parents to RSVP for a tour.
- 11/6/23 6 p.m. Prospective Parent Open House in the Media Center.

Adjournment – Next Meeting: November 13 @ 3:45 (Zoom)