

School Site Council

John Adams Middle School

Minutes: January 25, 2024

Call to order 4:03

Joined in-person: Laurel Cohn, Martha Chacon, Nancy Gutierrez, Valerie Nario, Katherine Newall

Joined online: Anne Watts, Stephanie Schwartz, Charity Burton, Su-Lyn

Agenda

- 1) Call to order
- 2) Approval of minutes from December meeting
- 3) Title 1 - Allocation of Fund and Progress on Goals
- 4) Review Title 1 - Parent and Family Engagement Policy
- 5) LCAP Goal #3 - Sense of Belonging and Safe Schools. New school schedule and impact in 2024
- 6) Review and discuss Site Council Membership - Vacant positions
- 7) Future Meeting Dates
- 8) Future Items
- 9) Public Comments
- 10) Closure

Title 1 Allocation

- Exceeded percent (42%) for Title 1 of families in need of free and reduced lunch
- Goal 3: all students and families engage in safe, well-maintained schools that are culturally responsive and conducive to 21st-century learning
- Outcome: 5% decrease in chronic and severe absenteeism by creating a greater sense of belonging
- mindfulness activities, restorative justice, intentional relationship building
- Engaged in National Safe and Collaborative Schools (NCS3) Training Modules

Intervention

Tier 1 Intervention

- Be There for grade 8: how to be there for each other
- Classroom presentations
- Dragon Days

- Mental Health Awareness and SEL Days: March 8th - Social Emotional Learning Day
- Substance Abuse Presentations
- National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI)
- Sojourn

Tier 2 Intervention

- Grade Level Counselors
- Beat the Odds
- Peer-to-peer
- Counseling groups (JAMS counselors/interns)
- Counseling groups (St. Johns)
- Newcomer group: Run by Ms. Gutierrez, helping support students from a different country

Tier 3 Intervention

In School Counseling

- St. Johns: Medi-Cal or no insurance
- Family Services SM: Medi-Cal only
- Nancy Gutierrez/SMMUSD Interns: any insurance or no insurance
- SEWI: any insurance or no insurance
- Boys & Girls Club of Malibu: any insurance or no insurance
- Hazel Health: any insurance or no insurance, trying to keep counseling at school
- Other interns: any insurance or no insurance
- Youth Resource Team - YRT
- SMPD Diversion Program
- Children Youth and Family Collaborative: for students in foster care or homeless
- Wrap-around services through special education
- FSP - The Children's Full Service Partnership program is a unique intensive in-home mental health service program for children ages 0-15 and their families: extreme cases
- Off-Campus Support: St. Johns, Family Services of Santa Monica, Our House, Edelman Mental Health Services, CLARE/Matrix
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Next Steps

- Collaborate with the district and city to fill the high demand for services
- Continue to support students and families with our current providers
- Delineate the role and duties of the Mental Health Counselor and school counselors to effectively meet the needs of our students
- Provide additional resources/training for our counselors
- Create a confidential way to document interventions
- Obligation to keep trying to get kids to come to school

National Safe and Collaborative Schools (NCS3)

- Understanding Trauma and Adversity

- CARE (Cultural Responsiveness, Anti-Racism, Equity)
- Cultural Humility and Awareness
- Engaging Students, Families, and Communities as Partners
- Educator Well-Being
- Promoting the Well-Being of All Students
- Trauma-Informed, Healing-Centered School
- Supporting BIPOC, Newcomer and LGBTQ+ Youth at Tiers 2 & 3
- Supporting Tier 1 to make sure they know how to support and recognize themselves
- Ending the semester with educator well-being

There is a vacancy on school site council

“Excerpt from SSC”

Katherine officially appoints Su-Lyn Combs and will be ratified at the next meeting

Su-Lyn will be for the remainder of the year.

Meeting is adjourned at 5:28 pm.