

Cedar Elementary School
School Council - Meeting Notes
October 26, 2022

Attendance:

Jesse Craddock - Principal (Y)

Rhonda Nyman - Community Member (Y)

Kathy Caulfield - Grade 1 Teacher (Y)

Ashley DeVencenzo - Parent Representative (Y)

Michelle Cavallaro - Parent Representative (N)

Open Comments: None

Cedar School Events:

Inclusive School week - Visit from Ryan Haack, "Different is Awesome Assembly." This event was very enlightening and uplifting for students. We will consider bringing him back in the future to ensure that all Cedar students have this same experience.

Cedar Community meeting will be held on Thursday, October 26th. Mr. Craddock and Ms. Clements will be meeting with students to talk about important information around PBS, being a Super Friend, and upcoming events.

The Cedar Pumpkin Stroll will be held on Thursday, October 26th. Students will be able to shop at the Book Fair.

Block	Time	Description
Sensory Friendly Block	5:30 - 6:00	This block of time is designed to be less sensory stimulating and overwhelming. Music will be turned off and there should still be daylight during this time slot. Students will be able to view the pumpkins on display and visit the Book Fair.
Preschool/Kindergarten	6:15- 7:00	All preschool and kindergarten students are invited to view the pumpkins on display and visit the Book Fair.

First-Grade	7:15 - 8:00	All first-grade students are invited to view the pumpkins on display and visit the Book Fair.
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The Halloween Parade will be held on Monday, October 31. Parents will be invited. The route will start in the building and then will transition to the high school track. Students have the option of dressing in costume.

Thursday, November 10th will be the Veteran's Day performance in the gymnasium. Veterans and their family members are invited to the event. There was an idea discussed to decorate the sidewalk out front with chalk. If we are going to create posters for the event it would be great to get room parents to support this initiative.

Thursday, November 10, 2022	Veterans Day Performance (please see description above) 9:00 - Grade 1 Students 10:15 - Kindergarten Students
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Blizzard of Kindness - scheduled for the last week of November and beginning of December. This is coordinated by the PTA. It would be great to enhance communication around the initiative and build community. Jesse will be discussing this further with the Cedar PTA.

Next Tuesday will be a half day and no school on Friday, November 11th. Mr. Craddock will share a reminder to families.

School Improvement Plan -

The goals we are reviewing will be in the SIP for the next two years.

1. Teaching and Learning:

- Celebrating others' differences through literature; setting up opportunities for students to share their own stories.

- SEL practices - The Cedar PBS team is working with students on being safe, kind, and following the plan. This helps to reinforce positive behaviors. Mrs. Kelser sends out weekly videos for students to be shared in the classroom. Students have enjoyed the social stories on behaviors in various settings. Sharing the same language provides opportunities for students to understand the importance of positive behaviors.

-MTSS Model - Utilize DIBELS data to design the instructional focus in order to meet each student where they are and support them as readers moving forward. EarlyBird is being utilized for any at-risk learners.

- Professional Learning Communities meet weekly with curriculum specialists to discuss various topics. A wide range of topics that are related primarily to curriculum is typically discussed. An agenda is developed by the teams to address priority items. Monthly whole group meetings are held to bring the entire team together.
2. Human Capital -
 - a. Opportunities to meet with Literacy Specialists to talk about the new Wonders program.
 - b. Specialists and Teachers collaborate with colleagues in tier 1 - tier 2 - tier 3 instructional practices.
 - c. PLC schedule - foster opportunities - supporting personal - curriculum alignment
 3. Work towards continuing to support recruitment of staff through branding of Hanover. Positive place to work and grow as an educator. Develop ideas to share with high quality candidates that may want to work at Cedar. Focus on working on the whole child and developing our young learner. Partnerships with colleges in the area to bring in student teachers and help mold candidates for the future.

We will continue to look at our School Improvement Plan at the next meeting.