

Imagine Foundations Monthly Board Meeting
Wednesday, September 23, 2020
Zoom Meeting
5:00 p.m.

Meeting began - 5:02pm
Pledge of Allegiance
Motion to approve June 2020 board meeting minutes
Roll Call/Attendance

Leeland's Report - Ms. Williams

Outlining by SEP
Closing this week with STAR data so will have additional data for next meeting
Over summer collected data points for shared values - variety of surveys provided (staff survey, scholar survey, parent distance learning surveys)
Instructional leadership team completed a survey identifying their strengths and how they learn
-Identified a plan that included roles and responsibilities for leadership and teaching staff
-learned that communication is key and they everyone knows the expectations
-having a building that transparent and who/what they are accountable for
Upon staff return to the building created a school team based on sports
-revisiting their why
-shared video on being a leader on a team
-staff created a flip grid to show their responsibilities

Parent Choice

-providing information consistently
-created Parent university so that parents are informed of how the Fall 2020 would look. Had 50 participants
-weekly parent newsletter goes out, will add school & regional board
-PTO provided scholars with school supplies

Ron Clark academy trip inspired implementing new school wide activities

-this school year have morning meeting,
-matched MS with ES students for buddy reading, partnerships
-scholars created shields and chants to help reinforce social emotional learning
Social emotional learning
-social worker created a hub for videos and resources

Distance Learning Plan

- Assessment calendar, first 3 week bridging the gap from summer break
- scholars are earning grades during distance learning
- resources scholars are using for distance learning
- working with county to get their platform and textbook to be able to accessed virtually
- success time is embedded in the schedule for remediation

-SEL instruction

- specials classes are included daily for classes
- Middle School students are engaged in a 6 period schedule. Accelerated and honors classes are still offered
- Wed are designated for small group instructions
- teachers were provided common language for synchrony and asynchronous, live lessons

Lesson Plans

- admin is in the classroom often
- putting heavy lens on assessments

Data

- heavy focus in the county to make sure students are identified by being actively engaged online
- 5 parents opted out of live lessons due to work load
- 2 students withdrew from 2nd grade
- 466 students 97.4% of engagement

School development

- reconstructed the administrative team. Instead of by grade level it is now by content
- avid team reconstructed - added co-chairs
- reconstructed the
- reconstruct the tag program
- have teacher leads
- Additional member on ILT adding science lead component
- 3d printer donated
- purchased 100 chrome books

Facility

- painting, new carpet, removing lockers, demolition will begin shortly to make classrooms bigger

Economic

- 466 students as of cob, goal of 490 students by Oct 30th
- vacancy of ELA, 3rd grade, special ed and secretary

Q- how is the school addressing the IEP needs

R- has been a vacancy school has had since last school year. School has a para to assist. For MS they utilize the co-taught method and then engage pull out sessions and then small groups on Wed. ES students are pulled out for small group instruction

Q- how many students are re-enrolled

R- K is fully new, will get back with the exact percentage, about 70 new students

Morningside's Report - Ms. Johnson

Rigorous instruction, micro society, Restorative Environment

Parent Choice

- re enrollment percentage will be provided
- distributed all Chromebooks, no students on waitlist
- PG county sent iPads, but will only utilize if their waitlist
- 300 families on school wide assembly, walked through opening of school, the shift from spring to fall expectations
- Back to school night was successful
- used class dojo as a main form of communication
- will now create a weekly video as to not overload parents with emails
- virtual academy with PTO to include workshops after each of their meetings to provide resources for parents

Economic Sustainability-Enrollment

- 412 currently enrolled
- lost students to homeschooling
- some moved out of county or state
- will end the year in a good financial space

Character Development

- revamped what social emotional learning looks like
 - circle questions reflect emotional intelligence
 - adjusted character traits
 - adjusted PBIS to fit virtual learning
 - service projects are now virtual
 - scholar referral system has been revamped
 - Admin revised which grade levels and subjects they will support
- School Counselor
- providing monthly lessons for MS, ES sees counselor on 6-day cycle
 - did activities on justice/fun
 - had scholars take pictures of their learning environment

Data

- reviewed previous star data
- reviewed key learning
- fall star testing will be completed on Thurs. 24
- scholar success time
- utilize a/b day structure for math and reading
- provided success time feedback
- started Imagine University for new teachers

Academic Growth

- will be using eureka math, discovery education my world, ThinkCERCA, STAT Renaissance
- teachers have been trained
- MS using Edgenuity, Path Blazer, ThinkCERCA
- K-4 schedule aligned to county created schedule
- 5-8 schedule has a 5 module schedule
- at risk scholars are being monitored,
- waiting on MCAT assessment decision
- materials/software training providing for teachers and scholars

New School Dev

- implicit bias training
 - new program called kickboard to help with character report cards for PBIS events that will be held virtually
 - also received 3D printer gift from Dr. Gresham
- Shared Values
- 2 Imagine University sessions
 - goals setting with teachers completed
 - formal observations will begin next week
 - each teacher has office hours last 30 min of week
 - co-taught model is being utilized by sped teachers for students who have an IEP
 - ILT did strengths finder so that everyone knows their areas of strength
 - teachers participated in professional developments

Questions

Q-is class dojo gone

R- will remain central form of communication, kickboard is only for character and training will be provided

Clark - shared positive comment about a happy second grader who shared he loved his new school and teacher

Anthony - admin team thoughts on the ability of bringing in more students

Williams- still have a wait list, working through list and have emailed the county to get permission to move forward with contacting families on the list

Johnson - had same response, has a waitlist as well, unable to access the new platform for contacting parents

Pace - following the chain of command to address the issue, has an upcoming meeting with the County team. Will send a follow up email on 23rd

Facilities -Mr. Miller

- participating in limited school reopening
- periodic cleaning and disinfecting of high touch areas and utilized space

- provide additional training of cleaning, disinfecting, social distancing
- new lease for Leeland, align with charter renewal, lease cost will stay flat for the next 2 school years. Auto renewal through 2027
- replaced a few locks, doors, new signage
- renovation of Marlboro/Seton hall will begin shortly
- Morningside received an upgrade for fire alarm system which is now strobe light
- cleaning 2nd floor lavatories
- preparing for eventual re-opening of school, PPE available, adopted recommendation for social distancing
- adhering to strict cleaning plan
- planning for hybrid learning model
- working in health suite/isolation space at both campuses

Mr. Toler- Thank school teams for their hard work and partnering with parents
Mr. Pace - working on additional supports to fill student vacancies

Meeting End time - 6:34pm

Meeting Attendees -

Anthony Pollard
Levonja Wiggins Jr.
Ruben Chiza
Sheri Williams
Ebonnie Clark
Nyree Smith
Catrina Murphy
David Miller
Aneisha Ceesay
Sara Cypress
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