



# Luther Burbank Middle School



**"Achieving Success as a Team - 110%, No Excuses"** 2013 TEA Met Standard with Distinction

## SDMC Meeting

Thursday, January 16, 2014 (*Library at 3:45 pm*)

➤ Welcome and Sharing:

Brown- Took her Art High school students to UT to tour the campus. Thank you Memorial Hermann Clinic for the mugs given to SDMC.

Hernandez – Wednesday, 01/22 agenda PD for all teachers.

Wednesday, 01/29 will meet to train for the EOY.

Week of EOY testing will mock STAAR test.

Week of 02/05 will have Independent research time. Suggestion: Administration to meet with all testing students regarding testing expectation and behavior.

➤ Community Relationships/Partnerships:

- Parent Feedback - NA
- PTO Report - NA
- Business Partners Report:

Ms. Scott, Memorial Hermann offers birth control. Also offers pregnancy tests.

Knittle: SIP states school must attend parents' meetings and would like information on alcohol/drug dependency to talk with parents and students. Possibly have the community as guest speakers.

➤ Student Feedback :

- 6<sup>th</sup> Grade - NA
- 7<sup>th</sup> Grade – Why can't students wear hoodies other than Burbank hoodies. Hoodies help as a fund raisers for BMS
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade - NA

➤ Curriculum and Instruction:

Knittle: A new plan for New TEKS. District is seeking teachers to help write lessons. Book committee Knittle and Valentino attended to conference to address books that align to TEKS.

Valentino: Concern 1: Staff gave push back on taking the Release test. Fry stated it wasn't the fact that they had to take the test; it was the manner it was told to take it. Most teachers have no problem doing the exam, but it was also the timing it was told to have the exam done. Suggestion: Take Release at the end of the year.

Concern 2: Rigor is focused on processing system. Teach TEKS as is. Next school year, Burbank may have other students from other schools enrolled in our school. Parents/Schools have the right to enroll at the school of their choice.

Hernandez: Will have Knittle/Valentino to address teachers regarding taking the Release test. Hernandez would like teachers see how students would make mistakes when taking the exam. The purpose of taking the test is to use for backward planning instruction to continue progress in EVAAS. Hernandez will give feedback on teacher's released test.

➤ Principal's Report :

- Staffing Patterns – Knittle thanked Sandoval for looking out for a Science teacher. Hernandez: She is happy with new hires (Ms. Ball/Ms. Lopez). Wednesday will have a meet and greet new teachers.
  - New 7<sup>th</sup> grade science hire- Rebecca Lopez

- Budget Report – Hernandez: Feb 12 needs to have a preliminary for next school year. See Dept Heads. Yates is hired full time. For having 100% hire at the beginning of the year compensates the school to receive ASPIRE per Superintendent.
- Tutorial Update – Yes will have tutorials this Saturday 8am-12pm.
- EOY Dates (Tentative) – EOY dates are set in stone per Dept. Head meeting with Ms. Hernandez. Valentino will email dates.
- Stanford Update/ Discussion:  
  
Hernandez: Will have a packet as practice. 1<sup>st</sup> week of May will have testing for the next three days. This school year, changes in Science and Soc. Studies are on the same day. Students may have to stay in classes.  
  
Knittle: Next year will change from Stanford to Iowa Exam. Exam is taken to compare nationwide. Not aligned with TEKS
- Field trips – Will be limited during the 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester

➤ School Organization:

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| ○ Assistant Principal's Report - NA                                                              | ○ Counselor Report - NA                                                                          |
| ○ Instructional Coordinator's Report –<br>Valentino: We are currently in the window to take BCA2 | ○ Department Chair's Report – Work sample will be moved to 2/14/14 last one for this school year |
| ○ Title I/Magnet Report - NA                                                                     | ○ Cluster Reports - NA                                                                           |

➤ Questions and Concerns:

- There are students who are office workers without the clusters approval. The system that is currently in place for approving office workers is not working.
- Fergeson: SPED student was taken out of resource to be in office worker. Mr. Knittle advised to email Jennings/Tatarskaja.
- Knittle: Will look at student's attendance. Students must meet criteria. Will share students name for cluster approval. Fry: Concern with too many students as office worker.
- Rat/ Mice problem. Can we hire a professional to fumigate? – Suggestion use steel wool to cover holes. Knittle need
- Safety Concern- Students open front door to strangers. How can we correct this problem? Can there be a sign in the front for visitors?

➤ Next Meeting Date: February 20th

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X <input type="checkbox"/> Amanda Vasquez	X <input type="checkbox"/> Ariel Bejko	X <input type="checkbox"/> Cassandra Sandoval	X <input type="checkbox"/> Donald Boyd
X <input type="checkbox"/> Elise Brown	X <input type="checkbox"/> Ledy Mendez	<input type="checkbox"/> Marcus Salas	X <input type="checkbox"/> Jared Mosley
X <input type="checkbox"/> Sabrina Fergeson	X <input type="checkbox"/> Alma Ruiz	<input type="checkbox"/> Lionel Rivera	X <input type="checkbox"/> Ashley Scott
X <input type="checkbox"/> Hall	X <input type="checkbox"/> Stewart	X <input type="checkbox"/> Fry	