

**SDMC Meeting
Daily Elementary
November 17, 2020**

I. Commitment for the 3rd Six Weeks

- a. 23 more students have switched from Virtual to In-Person
Students will report to Daily Elementary on December 7th. Teachers and Staff will receive updated rosters and list of returning students before December 7th.

II. Covid-19 Updates for Daily ES

- a. New nightly defogging sanitization protocol in place – every campus has one
- b. Rapid Testing on campuses will begin soon. Staff will self-test; parent consent required for students.
- c. Daily ES:
 - i. One presumed positive that was negative
 - ii. one confirmed positive case thus far

Our positive case is not included on the District's Dashboard. Ms. Tiet will investigate.

III. Backpacks

- a. Rolling backpacks

Previously, rolling backpacks were not allowed. However, the weight of the devices in the backpack could be an issue. Some parents have expressed concerns. SDMC decided to allow rolling backpacks as an exception for this school year. It was decided that teachers would be informed of this change and tell parents who ask about rolling backpacks about the new policy. Main concern is the 2nd floor students. The elevator is not an option. Therefore, students must carry not roll backpacks up the stairs: collapse the handle and carry backpacks up the stairs.

IV. Dress Code

Students have been doing a great job with relaxed dress code. Ms. Tiet expressed a concern with the wearing of leggings. It was decided that when leggings are worn, a longer shirt should be worn.

V. Celebration of Life – Ms. Faheemah Rhodes-Brooks

Faheemah Rhodes-Brooks day is scheduled for February 4, 2021. Students and staff are asked to wear animal prints in honor of Ms. Rhodes-Brooks. A collection of "Ms. Rhodes-Brooks favorite Read Alouds will be created with Ms. Viktorin and former students of Faheemah's. This list will be shared with teachers for possible Read Alouds that day. A discussion followed about the collection of money for the bench that will be dedicated. Pastor Irv White suggested electronic donations. Ms. Norris asked about family and student donations toward the bench. Expected cost is between \$300 - \$600. Ms. Tiet, Ms.

Norris, and Ms. Viktorin will have a continued conversation about electronic donations and following HISD protocol for money collection. It was suggested that benches rather than trees be purchased for two former students who died.

VI. Staff Holiday Celebration?

Ms. Tiet asked committee to “put out feelers for options for the Staff Holiday” and covid. The staff Thanksgiving lunch will be supplied by Ms. Mathias and a real estate group Wednesday, November 18.

Class parties were discussed. Pizza and sharing of food is not an option. One suggestion- parties can occur during class lunch time and students could bring their own snacks.

Other suggestions:

*Week long holiday dress during the week of December 14-18. (possibly Celebrating Holidays culturally; pajama day)

*December 18th – changing Specialist schedule to move 4th grade Specials to 7:35 to 8:20. This would allow the last 45 minutes of the day for class holiday activities.

Meeting began at 3:15 pm. Ended at 3:58 pm

Present:

Ms. Tiet

Ms. Mancha SDMC member

Ms. Nwosa SDMC member

Ms. Narsete SDMC member

Ms. Viktorin SDMC member

Ms. Jones SDMC member

Ms. McMillan

Ms. Steward

Pastor Irv White Community member

Ms. Norris PTO President

Respectfully submitted by Ms. Viktorin