SDMC Meeting Agenda
September 28, 2022

Approve agenda

1. Field Trips (Pennington)

2. Apple Watches (see below)

3. SIP

4. Additional Concerns

Apple Watch:

Benefits:

- Provides a direct line or communication in case of emergency and for daily pick-up notifications
- Allow parents/guardians to track location of children for safety
- Can be set to Schooltime during school hours, which disables apps, notification and calls to encourage focus
  - Schooltime has a different watch face for teachers and staff to verify it’s in use
  - Schooltime can be disable by user, but notification are sent to parents/guardians who setup the phone when this happens
- Schooltime can be setup on Apple watches not associated with an iPhone via Family Setup by a Parent/Guardian, meaning user can’t change settings
  - With Family Setup, parents/guardians control which contacts kids can communicate with, which is how my children watch is setup
- The watch is an alternative for parents/guardians who do not wish for their children to have phones, but still want to communicate

Challenges:

- If teachers/staff see kids playing on their watch, causing a distraction, tell the child to put away the watch or have teachers keep it until the end of day, similar to cell phones which are currently allowed in school.
TH Rogers a has fine policy (Page 30) that can be food for thought:


- If there are any safety concerns due to the watch, teach children how to handle it. For example, if someone is trying to steal my child’s watch and they feel like they may get hurt, I tell my children to give the watch up, it’s not worth their safety

Family Setup guide:
- https://www.macrumors.com/guide/family-setup/

Schooltime guide: https://support.apple.com/en-us/HT211768