



SDMC Meeting

February 28, 2022

Members Present: Bailey, Boyce Ramos, Allende, Hernandez, A. Martinez, Pesce, Alaniz (parent), Hartman (community member)

- Budget Update – The following items have been/are being purchased:
 - New carpets for teachers in PK – 1st Grades
 - Bookshelf/Chair/Supplies (Teacher’s Choice)
 - \$500 of Instructional Materials/Supplies per teacher
 - Additional Really Great Reading Kits (phonics)
 - Replenishing classroom guided reading sets
 - 250 Student Laptops (furnished by HISD)
 - Library Books (\$40 K)
 - Science lab materials and experiment kits
 - Field Trips
- SIP Progress Monitoring
 - The January review of the SIP showed that we were on track for our strategies, except for attendance mentors and career week. Since then, Ms. Riordan has assigned attendance mentors to students with the most absences, and Ms. Dickens has set up career week for the week of March 7th.
- Black History Month Acknowledgements
 - Black History Month was a success with daily announcements, class projects, and a Friendship Luncheon on February 21st. Thank you to everyone who participated.
- COVID Safety Updates and Restrictions
 - The superintendent announced that masks would no longer be required starting Tuesday, March 1st. We will continue to offer masks to employees, students, and visitors at all entrances.
- Questions and Concerns
 - The overlapping testing of TELPAS and HISD Snapshots is causing stress and anxiety for teachers. Ms. Bailey acknowledged this and explained that TELPAS

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takes precedence over everything, since it is a state standardized test.

Snapshots can be taken on a different day than the TELPAS test. Calendars will be reviewed more carefully in the future in order to break up testing.

- Is there a way to get more of our students transportation, especially those with attendance issues? We can't pay for private buses with our school budget. We can place requests for transportation through HISD, but most students will not qualify because they live within 2 miles of the school. The district is looking in to making transportation more efficient next year, and we do have some bus routes with very few students. Hopefully, they will pick up more students on their way to Piney Point.
- We are glad to see the additional laptops. Are there any plans to get more iPads? Right now, we are focusing on getting 3rd through 5th grades 1:1 with laptops. Once we are able to start pushing down laptops to 2nd grade, we can move 2nd grade laptops to lower grade levels. At one point, HISD said that all elementary schools would be getting a new iPad cart next year, so that would include about 25 iPads.