

**SKINNER WEST CLASSICAL, FINE ARTS & TECHNOLOGY SCHOOL  
VIRTUAL LOCAL SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING**

**September 21, 2021**



**PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

**VISION: The Mark T. Skinner School's vision is to be the premier elementary School in metropolitan Chicago for educating special children (Special Education, Classical, and Neighborhood), and to serve as the outstanding model for all such schools.**

**LRE MANDATE: LRE requires that to the maximum extent appropriate students with disabilities, including students in public or private institutions or other care facilities are educated with students who are non-disabled.**

**I. SCHOOL ACTIVITIES**

- A. Teacher Candidate Interviews & Hiring
- B. LSC Organizational Meeting
- C. CPS Administrators Institute
- D. CPS Googlepalooza for Teachers & Staff
- E. Communications Committee Meetings
- F. Online Summer Registration Prek-8<sup>th</sup> Grade
- G. Registration Materials Pickup and Drop-off
- H. Summer Professional Development for Teachers & Staff
- I. New Student Orientation
- J. Pre-K and Kindergarten Parent Meetings
- K. Supply Drop off – Main Building & Branch
- L. Virtual Curriculum Meetings for Parents
- M. Star Program Begins
- N. E-Newsletter
- O. Expansion Committee Meeting
- P. Lunch Faculty Meetings
- Q. STEM Teachers Meetings
- R. Expansion Committee Meetings
- S. Star 360 Assessment Grades 3-8

- T. ELL Screening
- U. Glee Audition
- V. Debate Informational Meetings

**II. PERSONNEL**

**A. We Welcome:** New Skinner Teachers

<b>KDG</b>	<b>Rebecca Novitski</b>
<b>1st</b>	<b>Amber Eck</b>
<b>2nd</b>	<b>Julia Petrosino</b>
<b>3rd</b>	<b>David Bailey</b>
<b>4th</b>	<b>Brittany Kawa</b>
<b>5th</b>	<b>Madelyn Angus</b>
<b>6th</b>	<b>Anne Nelson</b>
<b>Sped Middle</b>	<b>Madeline Schneider</b>
<b>Sped Upper</b>	<b>Natalie Newmark</b>

**B. We say goodbye to:**

<b>Stacey Sanders</b>	Grade 3
<b>Chase Sheaff</b>	Grade 2
<b>Stephanie Travis</b>	Grade 6
<b>Stephanie Battaglia</b>	Sped Resource
<b>Jessica Schultz</b>	Grade 1
<b>Sharon Rosenzweig</b>	Grade 4
<b>Joy Westendorf</b>	PE
<b>Olivia Barnes</b>	Grade 2

**C. We Welcome the Return of Skinner Staff:**

- **Ms. Sendoun 8<sup>th</sup> Grade**

**D. Maternity Leaves:**

- **Sarah Priola**- Kdg.
- **Julie Kendall**- PreK

**E. Position Changes:**

- **Carmen McCanna**- 2<sup>nd</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade
- **Nailah Ball**- 5<sup>th</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> Grade

**III. SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN/CIWP**

**A. We purchased Curriculum Site Licenses and Textbooks**

- Social Studies Curriculum- Grades 1-5- Teacher Curriculum Institute
- ELA Grammar & Writing- No Red Ink 4-8
- Quaver Music K-8
- Reading- Readers Writers Notebooks Grades 1-5
- Achieve 3000 Grades 2-8
- Nearpod – ELA Program
- Flocabulary

**B. Foreign Language Offerings for Neighborhood Classes:**

- Spanish Grades: K, 1, 2, 5,6, 7, 8
- Mandarin Grades: 3 & 4

**C. Neighborhood Students to Classical Program:** Congratulations to our **10** neighborhood students who were accepted into the Classical Program!

**D. Walking Math Groups-** Organized & started second week of school

**E. Congratulations to our Superstars who moved on to the Academic Centers!**

- Whitney Young- **16**
- Kenwood- **9**
- Lane Tech- **10**
- Lindbloom-**1**
- Taft- **2**

**Support Area: Student Centered Learning**

**A. Our enrollment is approximately 1,135 students-** a decrease of 45

**B. Debate Team-** Informational meetings completed

**C. Glee Auditions-** Conducted by music teacher, Ms. Maatouk

**D. Total Covid-19 Cases-**

- Actionable (Quarantine to Remote Learning)- 3 cases

**Support Area: School Leadership**

**Principal Clark** attended CPS Leadership Institute, Googlepalooza professional development this summer

**Support Area: Parent & Community**

**A. New Families-** We again would like to extend a warm welcome to all of our new Skinner families.

- **Approximately 50 Classical**
- **Approximately 175 Neighborhood**

**B. Thank You Parents-** For supply drop off and adhering to new schedules and drop off and pick up procedures

**Support Area: Professional Development-** Skinner Teachers & Staff participated in the following

- CPS sponsored Googlepalooza classes
- Covid-19 Health Protocols
- REACH Performance Tasks Training
- STAR 360 Assessment Training
- Protecting Chicago's Children
- EOCO Harassment, Discrimination and Retaliation
- NWEA Training K-2 Teachers
- DCFS Mandated Reporter

**IV. FACILITIES/ENGINEER'S REPORT**

**Branch** Parking Lot and Playground Upgrades Complete

**V. LUNCHROOM**

**VI. BUDGET**

- We had leftover unallocated SBB Funds from May 2021- \$60,000
- Copier Request for Main Building – Move Main Building Copier to Branch and purchase new copier for main building \$11,000
- Unfinished Learning Plan Budget

**VII. HANDOUTS-** None

**VIII. UPCOMING EVENTS-NONE**