

**SKINNER WEST CLASSICAL, FINE ARTS TECHNOLOGY SCHOOL
LOCAL SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING
ABBREVIATED PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

June 25, 2019



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/Magnet), 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 EVENTS/ACTIVITIES

- A.** Field Trips- Lincoln Park Zoo, Washington, D. C., Madison Wisconsin, West Loop Public Library, Chicago History Museum, Springfield, Maggiano's, POW Gym, Hubbard Street Dance, Museum of Science and Industry, Eagle Bank, Ignite Glass Studios, Facets Theater, Mary Bartleme Park, Polton Row Chicago, Police Academy, Cone Gourmet Ice Cream
- B.** Classical & Neighborhood Registration
- C.** Lockdown Drill
- D.** No School-Memorial Day
- E.** Algebra Exit Exam – 8th Graders
- F.** NWEA Spring Exam- All Grades
- G.** United States and Illinois Constitution Test- 8th Graders
- H.** Star Dance Recital
- I.** Second Grade History Fair
- J.** May I Have This Dance? – 1st Graders
- K.** Talman School Visit
- L.** 3rd Grade Arts Parade

M. 3rd Grade Hot Dog Luncheon
N. Book Fair
O. 8th Grade Graduations at Whitney Young High School
P. 8th Grade Luncheon
Q. Shelter In Place Drill
R. Gallery 111 Event- Mexican Art Museum
S. Kindergarten Graduation
T. Spring Concerts
U. Music House Concerts
V. Faculty Meeting
W. 6th Grade Celebration
X. Caught You Doing Something Good
Y. NWEA Awards
Z. Promotion Walk
AA. Star Summer Program
BB. CPS End of Year Reach Assessments
CC. Teacher Observations
DD. Music House
EE. 4K Karate Classes
FF. Star After School Program
GG. Mad Science
HH. Chess Scholars
II. Skinner Park Program
JJ. Birthday Name in Lights
KK. Pre-School End of Year Program
LL. Teacher Interviews

II. PERSONNEL

- No changes
- CPS is allowing schools to retain the class size teacher assistants until Sept. 28th.

III. SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN/CIWP

Support Area: Quality Instructional Program

- A.** **NWEA Awards Assembly**-We recognized over 984 third-eighth grade students who met or exceeded their growth targets in reading and math. Special principal's awards were given to students who grew by double digits in both reading and math.

Students by grade level with double digit growth in Reading and Math:

- **3rd Grade: 42**
- **4th Grade: 45**
- **5th Grade: 45**
- **6th Grade: 16**
- **7th Grade: 6**
- **8th Grade: 7**

- B. Algebra Exit Exam-** Our 8th graders took the CPS algebra exit exam, which will qualify them for placement into higher-level math classes in high school. Results will be sent to schools in late July.
- C. US and Illinois Constitution Tests-** All of our 8th graders passed the required US and Illinois Constitution tests.
- D. 8th Grade Graduation-** We awarded diplomas to 86 8th graders on June 14th at Whitney Young High School. Our Graduates are attending the following high schools:

- * Brooks High School* Chicago Bulls College Prep* Chicago Arts High School* Clark High School* Crane High School* De La Salle Institute* Dyett High School* Fenwick High School* Hancock High School* Jones College Prep* Kenwood High School * Lane Tech High School* Latin School of Chicago * Leo Catholic High School * Lincoln Park High School* Marist High School* New Trier High School * Northside College Prep* Ogden High School* Payton College Prep* Phoenix Military Academy* Pritzker High School* Lindblom Math & Science Academy* Sayre Language Academy* U of C Laboratory School* Urban Prep Academy* Wells High School* Westinghouse College Prep* Whitney Young Magnet High School

Selective Enrollment High Schools:

- **Whitney Young: 13**
- **Jones: 12**
- **Payton: 6**
- **Northside: 1**
- **Lincoln Park: 3**

- **Brooks: 2**
- **Lane Tech: 4**
- **Lindblom: 1**

E. Sixth Grade Celebration/Send-Off :

- **Whitney Young: 19**
- **Kenwood 14**
- **Lane Tech 4**
- **Lindblom 1**
- **Taft 1**
- **Skinner Classical 3**

F. Kindergarten Graduation- Bravo to our 5 classes of kindergarteners for passing on to first grade on June 17th.

Support Area: Student Centered Learning

A. Spring Concerts- Many thanks to Ms. Maatouk for another year of amazing Spring Concerts for both students and parents.

B. Neighborhood Registration- As of today, we have 65 kindergarteners, 5 first graders, and 9 others for grades 2-7th. Down from last year this time.

C. Caught You Doing Something Good- We provided approximately 120 gift cards from Target and Starbucks to our lucky Superstars who earned purple slips and whose names were pulled out of the boxes. Many thanks to Mr. Hughes for helping us get the certificates.

D. Star Dance Recital- Many thanks to LaNice Dandridge for another year of outstanding dance performances. We had over 30 girls participating.

E. Star Theater Film & Performances- Many thanks to Ms. Ford , Mr. Bouldin & team for presenting on June 18th the film & performances were amazing! The 4 vignettes were: **Sibling Rivalry, Garden of Friends, Do Over,** and **Detention.**

Support Area: School Leadership

A. Talman School Visit- Principal Jackie Medina and AP Maricela Sanchez of Talman School visited Skinner as part of a peer evaluation review. The leadership team met to discuss progress on school goals and growth plans for next year.

B. ESY- Extended School Year Summer Program

Support Area: Parent & Community

- A. 8th Grade Graduation-** Many thanks to our parent, **Raymond Lambert**, for serving as our graduation guest speaker. He was amazing!
- B. Special Thanks-** To all of our parents and staff who have served on Skinner committees this year. Thank you for going the extra mile to make our school a great place for our Superstars!
- C. Thank You to All Parents-** For their support and involvement in making this another great school year! Through fundraising attendance at school functions, volunteering and academic support for their children.
- D. Special Thanks & Goodbye Parents:**
 - **Linda King-** Communications Committee- Founding Chair
 - **Stephanie Majca-** Forum/PTO Chair

Support Area: Professional Development

Differentiation Conference 10 excited Skinner teachers are headed to the National Conference in Las Vegas in July

IV. ENGINEER'S REPORT

- A. Lighting-** is updated in the library
- B. Annex-** Waiting for repairs for air conditioning/chiller

V. UPCOMING EVENTS

- July LSC Organization Meeting
- **SUMMER PROGRAMS AT SKINNER**
 - Star Summer Program at Skinner- June 25-August 17th
 - 4K Karate Classes- June 25-July 21
 - Police Academy Program- June 25-July 21
- ESY- Summer Program for Special Needs Students
- Summer Registration- Begins July 9th – August 25th on Tues. and Thurs. from 10:00-6:00