

Principal's Report 1/22/2018

2017-2018 Goal 1- Student Achievement: *The average ACT composite score for third-year students will be 22 by 2020 as measured by school-wide testing administration (may need to amend).*

2017-2018 Goal 2- School Climate: Improve school climate by consistently communicating and reinforcing our behavioral expectations with students.

2017-2018 Goal 3 - Communication: To maintain an effective communication plan with all relevant stakeholders for the 2017-18 school year using a variety of media tools.

2017-2018 Goal 4- School Safety: Improve school safety by implementing recommendations from CCSD Department of Safety and Security and SLED during the 17-18 school year.

Academics/School Update of Events

Charter Application Update

The charter application was submitted to CCSD before break. The application has been sent away for review. Once returned, we will be informed of any revisions or adjustments that are recommended. Bob Olson, Executive Director- Charter School Liaison, will inform us how CCSD will handle the approval process.

Annual Report

The Annual Report was submitted to CCSD before break. We did not apply for accreditation through SCDE.

Calamity Days

CCSD Board of Trustees is voting publicly tonight to forgive three of the days snow from winter storm Grayson. CCSD has applied SCDE to forgive the fourth day. All employees less than 240 days have been given credit for the days. 240 day employees will work with their supervisor to make-up the missed time.

School Choice Application

The School Choice Application has been active since January 10, 2018. The deadline to apply is February 10, 2018. We are coordinating our magnet bus applications with the March deadline for parent's school choice so that they can make an informed decision. As of 1-22-18, we have 140 applications.

Second Semester Open House- January 25, 2018

- Freshmen and Sophomore Session: (25 minutes) 5:30 and 6:00 in the media center.
Topics: Is your student taking the right classes to be on track for college entrance exams, using Naviance to get a jump start on college and scholarship searches.
- Junior and Senior Session:(25 minutes) 5:30 and 6:00 in room 220.
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- Helping your child navigate social traps of high school: (25 minutes) 5:30 and 6:00 in Goldsmith Auditorium. Topics: Signs to look for and resources for help regarding drugs, alcohol, social media, etc.
- (would need to get an outside agency that came last year).
- Meet the administration: Drop in 5:30 - 6:30 in large conference room.

High School Information Night

February 1, 2018 from 6:00-7:30 pm. The event will begin in the PAC with a brief address by me and introductions of any board members that may be present. Student ambassadors will be giving tours. Departments and clubs will be set up in the Cafeteria to distribute information and answer questions.

Staff Professional Development

- The team of teachers that attended the Literacy Conference in November will be providing PD to our teachers during second semester.
- February 16, 2018, Half PD- Teachers will rotate through ALICE (Alert- Lockdown-Inform-Counter-Evacuation) active shooter response options, CPI (restraint and seclusion training), and blended learning option through Edgenuity.

Technology- Matt Gilbert

- Technology is beginning the process of preparing Chromebooks and computers for Spring testing - ACT/ACT Aspire.
- An additional set of 30 Casio Graphic Calculators were ordered to address the current shortage of units available to check out from the media center.

Testing

- March 7, 2018- 11th grade students will take the ACT (276) or the SAT (76). 9th and 10th grade students will be taking the Pre-ACT. Seniors will be in advisory. Seniors are encouraged to job shadow or go on a college visit.
- Career Assessment- Under procurement. The test is typically given in early April to 11th grade students.

Enrollment Update

Grade	9th	10th	11th	12th	9-12
1/22/18	433	416	352	374	1575
12/13/17	445	421	350	364	1580
11/13/17	445	424	352	365	1586
10-16-17	447	424	357	365	1593
9-18-17	453	429	358	344	1606
8-28-17	455	432	358	368	1613

Human Resources

- CCSD Teacher Recruitment Fair February 10, 2018 from 7:30- 2:00 pm. CCSD will be offering signing bonuses for Math, Science, Spanish, and SPED. The signing bonus is \$10 K or \$5K over two years.
- Openings for next year- 1 ART, 2 Math, 2 SPED, 1 SCS, 1 FACS, 1 PE (maybe).

- We will consider adding teaching positions for next year based on budget reports, student requests, and historical trends.

Snapchat Incident

JICHHS Statement

James Island Charter High School is aware that a student posted a picture on Snapchat that intentionally or not offended many people. The school has addressed the students involved. It is now a student discipline issue. Parents, we strongly encourage you to monitor and coach your children on how to use social media responsibly. As a school, we have students from many diverse backgrounds which we believe is a strength of our school. The aforementioned image posted on Snapchat does not reflect the values and beliefs of this school community. We will continue to foster an environment that celebrates the acceptance of people from all backgrounds.

Based on our investigation, no JICHHS student exhibited any aggressive behavior towards the students involved or made racist posts. All aggressive or racist posts were done by non JICHHS students.

Friday, January 19, 2018. We hosted a meeting with public servants of James Island community. The meeting was organized by Stephanie Spann, Assistant Principal.

Purpose: To answer questions, as appropriate, regarding a social media post during the weekend of January 13 and have a productive conversation about how to help our students move through this incident and issue.

Attendees:

Josephine Prioleau-Richardson - J.I. Interfaith Alliance

Bishop William German - President of J. I. Interfaith Alliance

Timothy Grant - Emmanuel Baptist

Rev. George Kueblenu - Emmanuel Baptist

Mayor Bill Woolsey - Mayor of James Island

Cameron Smith - Associate Pastor of James Island Presbyterian

Sue Mathews - Director of Christian Education @ Harbor View Presbyterian

Tim Thorn, Deborah Farrell, Maureen Jessup, Rasheem Neloms, and Stephanie Spann - JICHHS

Invited also (pastor or designee):

Mayor John Tecklenburg, First Baptist Church of James Island, Crossroads Community Church, Ft. Johnson Baptist Church, Mary Beth Meggett- JICHHS Board of Director Chairman.

Calendar of Events

1/25 Second Semester Open House 2/1 High School Information Night 2/10 Teacher Recruitment Fair 2/12 Finance Committee Meeting	2/10 Career Day 2/10 School Choice Application closes 2/15 Countywide Principal Meeting 2/26 Board of Directors Meeting
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Executive Session (Personnel matters, Contract matters, Privacy of a student, and Legal Counsel)

Personnel, Contracts, Legal Issues, Student Issue, Appeal

Meeting Notes

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