

CSC Agenda and Minutes

September 19, 2017

Welcome and Introductions

Role of the CSC

Norms

- a. For the meeting: Be present literally and figuratively, Honor time, Presume positive intent, Students are the priority, Remain solution oriented, Remain focused on the big picture, Have snacks, Bring technology
- b. For taking and posting Minutes: take Minutes in real time, all members review and approve before leaving the meeting, Minutes will be posted the next day
- c. For posting the agenda: Agenda for next meeting will be decided at the end of each meeting, with an allowance for new items to be added
- d. For visitors: Public comment is limited to 2 minutes per person. CSC reserves the right to discuss the item in real time or to move the topic to another meeting. If there are more than 5 people who want to comment on the same issue, we can decide to hold a separate meeting on just that topic. Overall time for public comment is limited to 10 minutes. All visitors are welcome to remain as observers throughout the entire meeting.

Goals for the Year

CSC looked at the 3 UIP goals

1. Improve math & literacy in grades 6-8
 - Use student CMAS practice throughout the year
2. On track to graduate for freshmen & remediation free for seniors
3. The DCIS Way: Improve school culture
 - Increase overall response rate

Other

- Provide honors in middle school to support some of our students who need to be more challenged
- Tie honors with continuation during 8th grade and include extra service hours
- Get recognition for students continuing with honors

Upcoming Meetings

November 14th

December 12th

January 16th

January 30th

February 6th*

March 20th

April 17th

May 15th

Comments about the start of the year:

- Dress code concerns were brought before CSC. Points were made to help standardize dress code among teachers.
- The 'dress for setting' approach has been instructed to teachers. Students are encouraged to help students and teachers grapple with the DCIS Way methodology. Discussion of students creating a specific dress code. Separate meetings have been set to help teachers and students to come to a consensus.
- Some 7th graders are concerned, or unclear about expectations and standards. Students encouraged to speak with the teacher, admin, or adult they are most comfortable.
- Using Advisement to help discuss important issues and mentoring
- Furniture for classes
- Counselor caseload change