

Meeting Summary

Present: Andy Wulf, Mike Testa, Jessica Buchman (virtual), Hillary Lynch, Anya Brunnick, Laurie Kench, Riya Kaur, Emerson Leahy, Rourke Lee, Tuala Sullivan, Chris Cain,

1. High School Updates:

- Showcase: taking place Wed 12/7/22 informed members of what the showcase involved at the school.
- Tartuffe: Spoke about the great production this past weekend that was put on by the students and staff
- Update of Vape Detector Pilot: Seems to be deterring students from vaping in the restrooms they are in. Further action will be taken to install in all restrooms.
- Nov. 15 Mtg Follow-up (MCAS Pre-COVID, VOCAL breakdown).
 - Andy Wulf reviewed MCAS results from the 3 years prior to COVID. He explained the MCAS exam transitioned in 2019 to the Next Generation MCAS. This exam is more rigorous than prior exams.
 - The team reviewed a breakdown of VOCAL data which the 10th graders took after last year's Math MCAS. The team noted the sense of pressure students feel at school. The team held a discussion around areas in which the school was either closest to the state or behind. Here is a link to those indicators. The team discussed the value of assessing across the school year.

2. School Improvement Planning

- a. Andy Wulf shared the draft goals, measures, and actions of the improvement plan. He explained the draft was put together using the feedback from the November 15th meeting. <u>School Improvement Plan</u>
- **b.** The team participated in a Tuning Protocol to work towards a final draft of the improvement plan.
 - i. Team Question: It is good to see the addition of increasing technical coursework in the plan, are we trying to compete with Whitter Tech?

- Mr. Wulf and Mr. Testa explained there are limited seats for our students at Whittier. Right now, 18 students attend there. We have been a traditional high school for some time and it will be advantageous to explore and start running more technical courses, especially some aligned with manufacturing companies in the industrial park.
- Team members also brought up the value of tapping into Anna Jacques which
 is right up the street as well. Mr. Wulf mentioned we do have one student on
 an internship at the hospital, but it makes sense to explore how to increase
 this and align opportunities at the hospital with our courses.
- ii. Team Question: Do you have a curriculum that will guide students to develop their post-secondary plans?
 - Mr. Wulf explained that Ms. Gee (Dir. of Guidance) and Mr. Ribaudo-Smith (College and Career Counselor) have started to develop a curriculum that identifies outcomes for each year. The school has a license with a program called Naviance that has primarily been used for college application purposes. The program has a wealth of resources to support students in exploring their interests and developing a post-secondary plan by the end of their junior year.
 - Mr. Wulf further explained that the state is developing a tool similar to Naviance. Ms. Gee and Mr. Ribaudo-Smith are exploring this as a resource as well.
 - The team asked if Ms. Gee and Mr. Ribaudo-Smith can come to the next meeting to provide an overview of their curriculum planning.
- iii. Team Question: Is it more important to measure student growth across the year versus the one standardized test result? It makes sense to include additional measures for the achievement goal.
 - Mr. Wulf agreed and the team added Internal assessments as part of the
 mesarue. He explained a goal for all curriculum teams this year is to develop
 four common assessments that can be used to measure student growth
 across the school year. It makes sense to include this as well.

3. Budget Process and Possible Requests for Consideration

- a. Mr. Wulf shared the budget considerations based on the goals of the school improvement plan.
- b. Budget Considerations with comments made during the meeting.