



**Ellijay Elementary School
School Governance Team Meeting
Tuesday, October 24, 2023
4:00 pm
EES Media Center**



Call to Order and Welcome
Pledge of Allegiance
Approval of Agenda
Members Present:

Cody Bearden, Community Representative	
Melinda Fonteboa, Principal & SGT Co-Chair	<i>Melinda Fonteboa</i>
Staci McClure, Faculty Representative	<i>Staci McClure</i>
Beth Mooney, Faculty Representative	<i>Beth Mooney</i>
Lexi Newberry, Parent Representative	<i>Lexi Newberry</i>
Amanda Woods, Parent Representative & SGT Co-Chair	<i>Amanada Woods</i>

Melinda Fonteboa called the meeting to order.

All members stood and said the pledge of allegiance.

Staci McClure made a motion to accept the minutes. Amanda Woods seconded the motion. All members approved.

I. Academic Achievement

- A. CCRPI- Dr. Fonteboa explained what CCRPI (college and career ready performance index) stands for and what it is. It is almost a report card for schools, it is the latest accountability for schools. The team watched a video explaining CCRPI. Every school receives a score from 0-100. This is frequently used to compare schools and the state frequently has a list of underperforming schools. We want to make sure this score matches all of the hard work we do here at EES. The last time we had a full CCRPI we



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were placed as a title one distinguished school. After Covid the state has not given a full CCRPI score, we should be getting one soon. CCRPI has many components: content mastery, progress, closing gaps, readiness. Last year progress and closing gaps were not calculated. These areas are normally where EES scores very well. You can find this information on the internet for any school in Georgia. EES has a mastery score of 64.3, which was slightly above the state average.

- B. Acadience - This is an assessment measure that we are currently using. Acadience is a measure of student fluency. Each grade level has a different assessment they administer such as; beginning sounds, nonsense word fluency, and oral reading fluency. This is our pilot year for this. Each grade level has different measures.
- C. Red Ribbon Week Instructional Activities- We have sets of instructional activities to teach students that have been provided. These activities all teach about healthy choices to make. Lexi Newberry said we should provide some pictures of the activities we do, so parents know this isn't just a dress up week.
- D. Early Literacy Act- There has been a lot of recent legislation about the science of reading and early literacy. This focuses heavily on teachers and students in K-3. There will be many training sessions that will have to be done. We have training through our local RESA. One of these trainings is LETRS. This is very insightful about how students learn to read. Lots of our teachers are in different cohorts of this right now (19 from EES, plus 2 administrators). Our local RESA is also offering Orton Gillingham training; we have 3 people (possibly 1 more) in this training as of now. We currently have 5 people at EES in a dyslexia endorsement course.
- E. Young Georgia Authors Competition- This is a writing competition that is sponsored by North Georgia RESA. EES had one winner at the district level. Teachers will collect writing samples, we will select the top 3 from each grade level and our non-homeroom teachers will vote on school winners. Right after Christmas we will do the school level competition.
- F. Charter Mini-Grant Application - Anyone at our district can apply for this. EES has one application, our SGT has to approve this before we can send it to the district. Caitlin Standard spearheaded this for our ESOL teachers. It is to purchase devices (multi-memo voice recorders) to help our ESOL



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students with their speaking. This seems to be the weakest area with our ESOL students. Lexi Newberry made a motion to approve this. Amanda Woods seconded the motion. All members approved.

II. Family and Community Engagement

- A. Fall Family Fitness Night ~ October 26, 2023- This will have many fitness stations set up out back. Students will have a ticket to get stamps and they can get a free book, and if they fill in their ticket they will earn a caramel apple.
- B. Book Fair Update- Book fair is going well. The sales seem very good. Staci does an amazing job with this, making sure all students, even if they don't bring money, have many activities they get to do. Staci McClure also won a bright ideas grant for 100, 10.00 gift cards for students who do not have money to shop.
- C. Holiday Events- Our team thinks these events should be hands on.
- D. Musicals- All students will have a musical this year with Mrs. Katie. 2nd and 3rd will be the first one. This one will be on December 7th and will have a holiday theme. Kindergarten and first grade will have their musical on March 7th. The 4th and 5th grade musical will be in May.
- E. Georgia Health Survey- The state wants a certain percentage of students, staff, and parents to participate. We hope people will do the survey when they receive it to help our school.

III. Operational Effectiveness

- A. SGT Training- This is coming. Dr. Fonteboa will go to this training tomorrow.
- B. Safety
 - 1. Drop Off/Pick Up Traffic- We have made improvements with pedestrians walking to school. We think we might be able to make pictures or a video to help with this.
- C. Fiscal Accountability
 - 1. Principal's Budget- This is earned through student FTE. Every team now has a budget. We have spent about 18% of this budget so far.



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2. School Activity Account - 38, 205.15. We do earn some money from apple festival parking, this money will be coming in.
3. Krispy Kreme Doughnut Fundraiser ~ November 3-10, 2023.
Delivery will be November 16, 2023. We will be offering my payments plus. This is an online payment system, so people can pay electronically.

IV. Questions/Concerns

- A. Amanda Woods mentioned a fundraiser called snacking in the USA- she will bring more information to the next meeting.

Staci Mclure made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Amanda Woods seconded the motion. All members voted in favor.



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