

## **School Improvement Council**

Thursday, January 16, 2025

8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

**Members/Guests:** Cameron Brice- Principal, Demond Criss- Program Director, Bonnie Barr- PTA President/Parent, Katrina Wofford- West Greenville, Sherlen Crawford- AJ parent/Outreach, Johanna Hartmann- Teacher, Bryan Hayes- Red Shield Youth Center

### **Reading Program**

- Mrs. Crawford has been reaching out to volunteers. We have about 9 volunteers at this time. Looking for 2 days a week. About 8 sessions a month. Days: Monday and Friday.
- Volunteers would need to be a level 2 approved chaperone. With PTA, we are hoping to get some sponsorships in order to provide students with goodies for participating in the program.
- Mrs. Crawford sent Dr. Battle an email about Monday volunteers on the carline- potentially have them help with the reading program.
- Possibly having two students per volunteer depending on what curriculum is being used. Can use the books in the bookroom that would match their level. It would have lesson plans and questions to ask kids.
- Johanna will help pull books and group students once they are identified.
- 1st and 2nd grade will be the focus. We are working with the teachers to identify students that would benefit from the reading program. It will be from 7:30-8. We need to make sure that students get breakfast.
- We will send home parent letters to let them know about the program and to get permission to attend.
- Volunteers will be spread out in different designated areas on the first and second floor.
- To kick start the program, we will have an orientation that discusses expectations and facilitates a meet and greet.
- Example schedule: 10 volunteers 5 Monday, 5 Friday. Goal is to get enough volunteers to rotate them out so it would not be every week.
- Looking at this like a pilot program in order to improve for next year. Possibly looking to kick off in March instead of previous February due to events and time.
- In February, we will have a list of students and will send home parent letters to get an idea of how many students. We will look at transportation and other factors to help identify students.

### **Reading Program Pilot Program Dates**

Monday, March 3, 2025

Friday, March 7, 2025

Monday, March 10, 2025

Monday, March 24, 2025

Friday, March 28, 2025

Monday, March 31, 2025

Friday, April 4, 2025  
Monday, April 7, 2025  
Friday, April 11, 2025  
Monday, April 14, 2025  
Monday, April 21, 2025  
Friday, April 25, 2025

**Community Partners:**

- Mr. Hayes reports the new name Red Shield Youth Center and there are some cosmetic changes taking place. They continue to support reading in their afterschool program. March 28th Robot Ruckus, May 21st 5th grade day, and upcoming field day- will be needed to use Kroc locations. Mr. Hayes will help us secure dates.
- Ms. Woffard reports they have looked at report cards to support students and possibly offer tutoring opportunities. Have some events coming up for Black History Month. In the process of getting funding for a new facility. Summer camp opportunities being communicated in the next couple of weeks.

**Special Notes:**

- No Meetings on Monday, March 14th, Monday, March 17th, and Friday, March 21st (Spring Break)
- No Meeting on Friday, April 18th (Student/Teacher Holiday)

**Next Meeting: February 20th, 2025**

- 4th grade girls will be interacting with different engineers during that week.

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