

WES Community Council Minutes

January 21, 2021

In attendance: Amber DuBois, Brandon Bulow, Kelly Mitchell, Andi Davis, Kristen Brown

7:42 – Mr. Kelly Mitchell welcomed everyone and introduced Kristen Brown as our Learning Coach here to review Acadience data.

7:45 - Review of school goals for growth for the 2020-2021 school year

1. 55% of students in 4th and 5th grades will score proficient or higher on the state end of year assessment in Science by May 2021.
2. 72% of students at Washington Elementary will score proficient or higher (Green and Blue) on the Acadience (formerly DIBELS) reading test by May 10, 2021.

7:48 - Brandon Bulow suggested that we invite Mrs. Erin Fisher, our Science teacher, to present data at the February meeting.

7:52 – Discussion on this school year’s action plan to meet our goals.

- Reading paraprofessionals
- Full time Science teacher for 4th and 5th grade students

7:57 – Kristen Brown presented our Middle of Year Acadience data. We gained 9% growth with students making typical or beyond typical growth from beginning of the year to the middle of the year: 53%-62%.

The money and time focused on our intervention time is working. We are seeing progress.

Discussion on how the Acadience test works from beginning of year to the end of the year.

Discussion on the next steps now that we have our middle of year data:

- Grade level teachers meet to review data and determine what is working and what’s not working.
- Adjustments are made in individual classrooms and as grade level teams to ensure reading growth from middle of the year to the end of the year.
- Amber DuBois suggested a hands-on and engaged approach to learning.
- Brandon Bulow mentioned that we need to determine the greatest need to help our students achieve success.
- Teacher teams focus on the “how” in individual teacher classrooms and adjust their own teaching to create an atmosphere that ensures a love of learning.
- As a Community Council, part of our plan this year is to fund more reading paraprofessionals across the grade levels to encourage growth in reading.

8:18 – Mr. Kelly Mitchell said that now is the time to start thinking about our goals and action plan for next year and where we want to allocate our funds.

Calendar for the year:

January 21, 2021 at 7:30 am – Review Acadience growth data

February 11, 2021 at 7:30 am – Review Science data with Erin Fisher

March 4, 2021 at 7:30 am

March 25, 2021 at 7:30 am

8:30 - Dismiss