

Eisenhower Jr. High School Community Council

September 14, 2022

Media Center

3:15 p.m.

In attendance:

Wes Cutler--Principal	Lily Talekai
Tere Gerber--counselor	Bonnie Barrett—teacher/ parent
Hillary Dalton--Parent	Brittany Kesler
Ashley George—community council chair	Janet Rhodes
Mike Valdez—Teacher	Merri Ryggs

Welcome and Introductions-- Community Council members introduced themselves. We are excited to welcome a new principal to our meetings! We currently have 1090 students.

Budgets:

- a) Land Trust—\$146,195 At the next meeting, we will vote on an amendment to pay for 3 science teachers out of this budget, instead of the 2 English teachers we voted on last year. Science teachers are less expensive.
- b) ESSER--\$236,496 Out of this budget the school pays for 2.5 social workers. Social workers are so necessary at a junior high and because of this budget we can have them meeting with students every day instead of having to share them with other schools.
- c) TSSA-- \$95,727 ESSER will be going away so the school is currently saving this fund for when that happens.

7 Period Schedule Fridays—Parents were concerned last year that there wasn't more time attention paid to students falling behind in classes. Eisenhower implemented a remediation day on Fridays. Their homeroom teachers help them check their grades and work on any assignments they have either not completed or need to complete again to get a better grade.

Rules—

- a) Phones—A lot of parents were concerned that their students were not being allowed to have their phones during school hours. Teachers and administrators are pleased with how this rule has changed classroom and schoolwide behavior. ***Keep in mind that students can keep their phones in bags and use them before/ after school and if they have an emergency they can use them if they talk to an administrator first.
- b) Lunch—There have been more rules implemented during lunch time to curb some disruptive behaviors. You may have seen the painted red lines on the cement. Students are not allowed to pass these red lines during lunch. If they are in the lunchroom they need to be sitting down, otherwise they can go outside or go to the library. Staff members are brainstorming more options as well.
- c) Secure Doors—There will be access to only one set of doors during school hours. (The main doors on the North side of the office.)

PTC's

Tuesday, September 20—(ZOOM) A link will be sent out.

Wednesday, September 21—In person in the cafeteria.

School Involvement—Mr. Cutler is making an effort to visit different students in their homes each week. He is also reached out to Taylorsville High to create a better relationship between the schools. He is hoping to get the coaches of sports teams to come and meet 8th graders who are interested in joining teams.

Clubs—MESA, Dungeons and Dragons is starting this week, Cross Country is halfway through their season.

Dances—Student council members have asked to have a couple dances so staff members are working to make that happen.

Halloween Dress Up—Students will be allowed to dress up for Halloween this year!

Field Trips—The whole school participated in three different field trips. The principal and staff members are working together to plan more school field trips, including bowling for the whole school.

Next Meeting will be held on October 12, 2022 in the Media Center.