

Jefferson Elementary School
Franklin, MA
School Council Minutes
May 9, 2022
3:15 p.m.

- Members in attendance: Sarah Klim (Principal), Jaclyn Newman (Teacher), Kellie Dow (Parent), Officer Dave Gove (Community Member)

- School-Wide Update
 - We are actively planning for many of our traditional end of year events: the Spring Carnival, K Visitation Day, Field Day, Memorial Day Celebration, 5th Grade Celebration, etc. We are excited to have these events return!
 - One important event taking place will be our Step Up Day. This was started several years ago to help alleviate anxiety around the transition to the next grade level. We have found it to be beneficial in reducing the number of inquiries we receive from families over the summer regarding their child being nervous about a new teacher.

- Check in on Current School Improvement Plan & Recommendations for Next Year
 - Objective 1 - we provided collaboration for teachers and will seek to do more next year; we will continue to expand our work in cultural proficiency and look forward to working with the district's new DEI director to do so; and there will be a modified "DARE" program with our SRO for the 5th graders this spring to focus on peer pressure, respect, and cyberbullying as they prepare for the transition to middle school
 - Objective 2 - The feedback on the new math program has mostly been positive and the grade level math blocks were helpful this year; we continue to find resources and develop assessments for the new Social Studies curriculum frameworks
 - Objective 3 - It has been helpful to have 2 interventionists this year and we will be looking to change their schedule next year to really maximize the amount of time they can spend supporting students; DESSA went well this year and teachers are becoming familiar with the tool but we will seek to expand how we use the data in the next school year
 - Objective 4 - It will take time to continue to re-engage families in the school, we do hope to see more events return to in-person next year; it will be the decision of the new administration and new School Council to

determine the path toward reviewing the school mission/vision statements and core values

- Thank You to Our Members
 - Thank you to all who have participated on School Council this year. Your input and insights are greatly appreciated!

- Meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.