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MEETING NOTICE

School	Date	Time	Location
Maynard H. Jackson High School	October 13, 2021	5:15pm	<p>In-person in Media Center; OR Join Zoom Meeting https://atlantapublicschools-us.zoom.us/j/89914001675?pwd=QWZlVHlSFkvdFFaWk81emZEMHA1UT09 Meeting ID: 899 1400 1675 Passcode: goteam</p>

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Date Posted: 10/11/2021

Meeting Agenda

(agenda may be amended)

This meeting will allow for Public Comment

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call; Establish Quorum
- III. Read Meeting Norms
- IV. Public Comment
- V. Action Items
 - A. Approval of Agenda
 - B. Approval of Previous Minutes
 - C. Meeting Date Change (November)
- VI. Discussion Items
 - A. Universal Screener Data
 - i. MAP
 - ii. BASC-3
 - B. Milestone Results (SY 2020-21)
 - C. IB/AP Results (SY 2020-21)
 - D. Strategic Plan
 - i. Mission/Vision

ii. Needs Assessment

E. Next Meeting's Agenda

VII. Information Items

A. Principal's Report

VIII. Announcements

A. Homecoming Week: October 18-22, 2021

B. MJHS Parent Workshop: Understanding MAP

i. October 27, 2021 at 5:30 pm via Zoom

IX. Adjournment

MEETING SUMMARY AND MINUTES

Maynard Jackson High School

Date: October 13, 2021

Time: 5:15pm

Location: Media Center and Zoom

Meeting Key Takeaways: First round of MAP testing completed: second round will take place at end of the year. MAP results are not predictors of future performance, but scores can provide guidance on which interventions may benefit a student. Testing data can not be broken out by economic and social conditions, but the testing data shows alarmingly disparate results between black and white students. Go-team members acknowledge that MJHS must act with urgency to drive solutions that reverse the racial divide that is emerging in its school. MJHS Parent Workshop “Understanding MAP” scheduled for October 27 and 5:30pm via Zoom. GO-team is collaborating with MJHS staff and community to craft the school’s next strategic plan. MJHS teacher Hope Downer won APS Excellence in Teaching Award (High School Teacher of the Year). Mid-semester grades are available to parents/caretakers. Next GO-team meeting scheduled for Wednesday, November 17 at 5:15pm.

- I. **Call to Order**
- II. **Roll Call; Establish Quorum**

Role	Name (or Vacant)	Present or Absent
Principal	Adam Danser	Present
Parent/Guardian	Rene Esler	Present
Parent/Guardian	Kim Grimes-Solomon	Present
Parent/Guardian	Joyce Bradley-Collymore	Absent
Instructional Staff	David Eberhart	Present
Instructional Staff	Jandi Harris	Present
Instructional Staff	Yusuf King	Present
Community Member	Garry Long	Present
Community Member	Lewis Cartee	Present
Community member	Kamau Bobb	Present
Student Representative	Dylan Legend	
Student Representative	Sam Quartarone	Present

- a. Quorum was established and confirmed by Esler

III. Read Meeting Norms

- a. Grimes-Solomon read the norms

IX. Public Comment

- a. No public comment

X. Action Items

A. Approval of Agenda

- i. Long motions for approval. Cartee seconds
ii. Agenda approved unanimously

B. Approval of Previous Minutes

- i. Harris motions for approval. Long seconds.
ii. Agenda approved unanimously

C. Meeting Date Change (November)

- i. Long made a motion to move to next meeting to Wednesday, November 17 at 5:15pm. Esler seconds.

XI. Discussion Items

A. Universal Screener Data

- i. Danser explained that MAP is a screener that is used by all APS students and is newly required for all students. MAP measures levels of performance in reading and math but is not a predictor of future performance. Map can provide guidance on where interventions may benefit a student. MJHS will offer MAP family information sessions later in the month. MAP results are clustered in percentile range (0-20, 21-40, 41-60, 61-80, above 80). 1,267 students were tested. Tests were untimed.

- **Question-** Is there preparation that can be done for students to prepare them for taking the test?
- **Answer-** The MAP test is a screener so it is not meant to be a test that requires preparation. families are informed that the test is coming

MJHS does have data (CCRPI) that focuses on academic progression and growth but because of COVID, the school has gone two years without that growth data.

MJHS students will be tested again at the end of the year, and prior to this testing period, students will be provided targets and growth strategies. Class of 2023 will be taking the American Literature milestone and Class is 2025 is taking algebra. Results for these two grades are solid predictors of how the school is doing.

- **Question-** Does the test limit the amount of time available to complete the test?

- **Answer-** No. Students can take as long as they need to complete the test.

Quartarone noted that students felt pressure to complete the test during the class period even though the test is designed to allow the students to take as much time as needed.

Map will be split up in December and all students will take them on different days and during their advisory sessions. All teachers will be trained on administering the test and there will be greater urgency. MAP tests will be administered three times during this school year.

Data can not be broken out by SES, but when looking at demographic data, black students tested significantly lower than white students.

- **Question-** Why is MJHS seeing shockingly disparate results between black and white students, and what can be done.
- **Answer-** There is no one answer to the question. There was significant learning loss last year among many students.

Bobb and Cartee emphasized that the race divide is alarming and the data underscores the reality that APS is on the precipice of having to acknowledge that it offer two totally separate systems within the Jackson cluster with different standards of growth and achievement based on race. More urgency and brutally honest conversations must infuse cluster meetings to drive solutions to reverse the racial divide in our education system.

- B. BASC-3- Behavior and Emotional Risk Index. Measures normal, elevated or extremely elevated risk for behavioral or emotional issues. About 23% of students tested at elevated or extremely elevated risk. Behavioral team is looking at the data to determine what risks the 23% experience. Teachers and parents also participated process to identify students at risk. Hoping to triangulate the data to see how individuals can be supported. The testing along with the data of realities experiencing in school highlights
- **Question-** Have any surveys been issued to staff to measure their emotional risk?
 - **Answer-** A Gallup poll was sent to teachers last week and school leadership and APS will get results. District is also expanding the employee assistance program to get more direct assistance and support to educators and other school staff.

Meeting Minutes

- C. Milestone Results (SY 2020-21) Motion-Grimes-Solomon made a motion to move the discussion about the IB/AP and milestone results, as well as the strategic plan to the following meeting. Esler seconded. Unanimously approved.
- D. IB/AP Results (SY 2020-21)- Motion-Grimes-Solomon made a motion to move the discussion about the IB/AP and milestone results, as well as the strategic plan to the following meeting. Esler seconded. Unanimously approved.

IB/AP score results will be discussed at next meeting but King presented a brief overview with cluster data on demographics among schools with AP and IB curriculums. At MJHS, there are clear disparities in all classes, but the overwhelming majority of kids in IB and AP classes are coming from ANCS and Wesley and not from King. Parent advocacy is a big part of where the children are placed.

- **Question**- Can parent engagement be measured?
- **Answer**- No, not measured. There is still a real need for educating parents about how the system works.

- E. Strategic Plan
 - i. Mission/Vision- Danser reminded the GO-team to carefully review the previous strategic plan to determine whether parts can be included or enhanced in the next strategic plan. GO-team will meet to construct MJHS's strategic plan at the November meeting. GO-team agreed to provide draft revisions/suggestions to the existing plan by November 1.
 - ii. Needs Assessment- some data has been collected.
- F. Next Meeting's Agenda- will be focusing on the MJHS strategic plan as well as the Georgia Milestone and AP/IB school results.

XII. Information Items

- A. Principal's Report – MJHS teacher Hope Downer won APS Excellence in Teaching Award (High School Teacher of the Year). Principal's coffee will be Friday, October 15 at 9:15am. Mid-semester grades are in and are available on Friday, October 15. The culture of the school is currently challenged by 9th and 10th graders exhibiting 'class avoidance'. What is causing this behavior? Stamina is part of the problem- for last 18 months, there were shorter times in class, no Wednesday classes and no commute. Students continue to exhibit challenges managing conflicts. Teachers are also struggling with classroom management.

XIII. Announcements

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- B. MJHS Parent Workshop: Understanding MAP

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XIV. Adjournment

A. Esler made motion to adjourn. Bobb seconded.

**SEE SUMMARY PAGE ABOVE. SUMMARY PAGE AND MINUTES
ARE COMBINED FOR EFFICIENCY.**