Arsenal
PreK-5
PSCC
Meeting

SEPTEMBER 19, 2022
WELCOME!
Agenda

• Welcome & Introductions
• Purpose of the Parent School Community Council (PSCC)
• School Goals
• Daily Schedule
• Strategies for supporting your child
• Title 1 Designation & Supports
• Community Schools & Support
  ---Resources for Parents (PBIS Rewards Family App)
• Question/Answer
WHAT IS A PSCC?

Why do we have Parent School Community Councils (PSCC)?

The Parent School Community Council model was first adopted by the Board of Directors in 1993. It was designed to have a group of dedicated parents and community members in each school who serve as an advisory body to the principal regarding issues such as school safety, student achievement, curriculum, discipline, and parental and community involvement in the school.

Participating in the Parent School Community Council (PSCC) is one of the most effective ways parents and community members can be engaged. Each month, the PSCC has a meeting as an opportunity for parents, families, the community, school staff, and sometimes students, to discuss important topics related to the school and provide support to the leadership of the school.
Parent Advisory Council

Parent Advisory Council (PAC)

The District-wide Parent Advisory Council is the District’s central mechanism for ensuring that parents are well informed about Pittsburgh Public Schools related matters, and that they have the opportunity to help develop District-level programming and policy and share information with District staff. It also gives parents the opportunity to assume leadership roles by serving as liaisons between parents at their school and District officials.

The committee is comprised of three (3) parents or family representatives from each school. Members meet once a month with Office of the Superintendent staff and other District leadership to do the following:

- Learn about key topics identified by the District for the purposes of sharing the information with other parents at their school.
- Participate in the development of District-level programming and policy.
- Share the interests and concerns of other parents at their school with District staff.

Parent Advisory Council Representatives should be given time at their school based PSCC meeting to report out and gather feedback. Parent Advisory Council meetings are held in-person on the first Thursday of each month from 6:00 – 8:00 pm with dinner served at 5:30 pm.

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Representation from each school at every Parent Advisory Council meeting is necessary – either by parent or family representatives or the FACE Coordinator, and schools should not schedule PSCC meetings during these times. Principals or Vice-Principals are also encouraged to attend at least 1 Parent Advisory Council meeting each school year.

Attendees are asked to RSVP at least a week before each meeting by emailing parentengagement@pghschools.org and include if childcare and/or translation is needed.
## Established Priorities

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<th>Teachers will consistently implement 95% Group Phonics instruction, differentiated and effective ELA core instruction and provide Math intervention through small groups to ensure students are meeting or exceeding grade level standards.</th>
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<td>Teachers and Principal will progress monitor chapter assessments consistently and monitor progress/mastery of skills quarterly. Teachers will ensure all chapter assessments are scanned into Performance Matters consistently.</td>
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<td>Teachers will provide daily instruction that is differentiated so that students begin to master concepts at their grade level and collect daily formative assessment to adjust instruction in real time.</td>
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### Mission Statement

We are committed to a culture of excellence by producing academic and social growth and achievement, where everyone is valued as a learner and leader, contributing to the global society. Arsenal PreK-5 will be a caring and high performing and school by creating the conditions that engage all students, teachers, parents, and community members in positive learning experiences that are data driven, innovative, differentiated, culturally relevant and rigorous.
School Improvement Measurable Goals

There will be a 40% or more proficiency rate on the 2022-23 English Language Arts PSSA.

Provide students with systematic and research-based interventions

By the EOY year 2023, at least 50% of K-8 students will demonstrate grade level proficiency as evidenced by DIBELS EOY fluency and accuracy benchmarks.

Provide students with systematic and research-based interventions

By June 2023, at least 70% of English learners in grades 2-5 will demonstrate growth of .6 as evidenced by the WIDA language proficiency assessment.

Effective instructional planning to meet student needs

As a result of targeted instruction in ELA, 60% of students in 3rd-5th grade will demonstrate statistically significant growth in the Classroom Diagnostic Tool (CDT) overall scores between Benchmark #1 and Benchmark #3.

Effective instructional planning to meet student needs

By the 4th quarter in 2022-2023, at least 60% of students in grades K-5 will score 80% or above on their unit (ELA) assessments.
Daily Schedule

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<td>Student Dismissal</td>
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School Communication

Parent Resources

Every Wednesday school information is shared via PBIS Rewards and Facebook. A blue Wednesday folder is sent home with important information. School calendars are sent home on the last Wednesday of the month for the next month.

Below are a few tips for parents to use.

✓ Parents should let students complete the work on their own and not complete it for them.
✓ Parents should know their student’s log in information and have their Clever username and password.
✓ Parents should assist their child with Microsoft Teams and Schoology as needed.
✓ Stay in touch with your child’s teachers. If you have questions or concerns, please contact a staff member.
✓ Provide a space for your child to complete homework. Encourage your child to read daily (20-30 minutes) or read with your child. Also, practice math basic facts throughout the week and make it a part of everyday home life.
Communication

Please join and like our Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/ArsenalElementary/.

Teachers will maintain contact with you, and we want YOU to stay in contact with us.
Strategies for supporting your child

1. Let your child complete their homework daily and check it after it's completed.
2. Use the Home Access Center.
3. Learn your child’s username and password.
4. Stay in contact with your child’s teacher(s) through email, Talking Points or class dojo.
5. Review Wednesday folder items.
6. If there is anything you need assistance or support with, please ask. We are all here for you during these unprecedented times.
As a Title I school we receive supplemental funds to support the reading and mathematics needs of our students.

**Funds for 2022-2023 School Year**

*Staff Salaries $80,017*
  .04 Primary Teacher, .30 Paraprofessional, .25 Librarian, .20 Counselor

*Food & Refreshments*
  $3,000

*Family & Community Engagement Coordinator*
  $2,911

*Books & General Supplies*
  $8,569
Community School & Resources

Sakinah Shaahid
(Community Schools Liaison)
Family App

Family Letter

From: Arsenal Peak-S

Note: The content of this letter is confidential and intended for the recipient specified above only. It is strictly forbidden for anyone other than the intended recipient to use this letter to access information in any way. If you received this letter by mistake, please destroy the letter or return it to the school listed above.

Our School is using PBIS Rewards to help us with our PBIS program. PBIS Rewards is a technology-based PBIS Management System that helps us with our behavior incentive program. You can learn about PBIS Rewards at their website (www.pbisrewards.com).

Our students can earn rewards throughout the day by meeting our behavior expectations. These rewards are in the form of electronic points. They can redeem these points for privileges, tangible items, access to events, and other similar things. Our expectation is that we will see overall behavior improve throughout the school and that the number of referrals we have will decrease.

PBIS Rewards has a Family App that will give you some insight into how your child is doing with respect to our PBIS program. The Family App will run on most smart devices, including smartphones and tablets. You can find it in the Phone/Pad App Store, Google Play, and the Amazon App Store. Just search for “PBIS Rewards Family”.

Once you have installed the app, you can scan the QR Code below. You will have to confirm your relationship to Uyen by verifying that you are a parent or guardian. Once you have done this you will be able to see Uyen’s progress with PBIS Rewards.

You can add more than one student to the app, even if they go to different schools, as long as the school is using PBIS Rewards.

We encourage you to talk with your student about what they must do to be successful with PBIS Rewards and to encourage them when you see them being successful.

Thank you!
Upcoming Events

Parent/Teacher Conference Day

October 10th

10 am – 1 pm and 2 pm – 5 pm

Conferences will be scheduled in advance.

They will be 15-minutes in length.
Questions
Future Meeting Dates

October 18<sup>th</sup>
November 15<sup>th</sup>
December 20<sup>th</sup>
January 17<sup>th</sup>
February 21<sup>st</sup>
March 21<sup>st</sup>
April 18<sup>th</sup>
May 16<sup>th</sup>
Thank you