Distance Learning Parent Task Force 6/1/2020

Objectives:

Inform parents of past DL discussions involving teachers, parents and staff.

Elicit feedback/suggestions in regards to setting up a robust virtual learning program.

Discuss possible methods for feedback to parent population

Identified Needs (parent,teacher,staff)

- 1. Teacher Training needs (per survey results)
 - a. Google Classroom Suite
 - b. Screencastifyc. Google Calendar
 - d. Edpuzzle (video with embedded lessons)
 - e. Google Meets/Hangouts (with breakout capabilities)
 - f. Kami or alternative PDF annotator
 - g. Overwhelming agreement for trainings in the summertime

Teacher Agreements

- 1. Need for training requires **time** for training
- 2. Required face to face time is important
 - suggested frequency of 2x/week/class
- 3. Provide students a **schedule** for their face to face required classes.
- 4. Course **alignment** is imperative (Same instructional plan for all classes of any course)

Teacher Concerns:

- 1. If the DL is part of a blended model requiring significant teaching time in the face to face mode, staff have concerns about planning for *both* modalities
- 2. Need for a meeting platform that can form breakout groups (Zoom does, Meets does not)

- 2. Parent Survey Results (224 respondents) What's working
 - a. Staff/Administration communication
 - b. "Schedule works for my student"
 - c. Regular adult contact with school member
 - d. Social Emotional Supports (SEL)
 - e. Appropriate amount of workload/rigor

- 1. Parent Survey Needs
 - a. More refined schedules
 - b. More engaging lessons
 - c. Greater depth of feedback
 - d. Live Instruction/Recorded Instruction
 - e. Continued use of supplemental technologies
 - f. Continue to share screen(s)
 - g. Virtual Office hours

- Parent Survey Essential/High Priority factors of Distance Learning
 - a. Continued opportunity for SEL/Counseling
 - b. Student virtual interactions with peers
 - c. Improved use of calendars/providing schedules for learning (top priority)
 - d. Frequent and communicated progress monitoring
 - e. Managing screen-time