

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN ELEMENTARY

SDMC Meeting September 28, 2022

Agenda

1. Welcome message
2. Review and approval of School Improvement Plan (SIP) Goals
3. Review and approval of the new school mascot
4. Miscellaneous

Minutes

- SIP: Principal expressed that the school goals are aligned to meet the HISD board goals.

The Principal expressed that the goal is to maintain our A status and to support the teachers in anything they need to achieve this. The principal shared that goals for reading and math are as follows:

- *ELAR The percentage of 3rd-5th grade students performing at or above grade level in reading and writing as measured by the Meets Grade Level Standard on STAAR will increase 5 percentage points from 42% in spring 2022 to 47% in spring 2023.*
- *MATH The percentage of 3rd-5th grade students performing at or above grade level in math as measured by the Meets Grade Level Standard on STAAR will increase 2 percentage points from 52% in spring 2022 to 54% in spring 2023.*

The Principal went over the remaining school goals and explained the strategies included in the SIP to achieve these other goals. Strategies to support the academic include:

- *Guided reading professional development*
- *Guided reading implementation follow-up*
- *MyOn monthly incentives to support our reading program in all content areas*
- *Implementation of sheltered instruction strategies to support all students*
- *Creation of Literacy and Math Nights in the Fall and Spring*
- *College and Career Day*
- *Field trips to support learning in the classroom*
- *Involving the Houston Public Library in the school activities*

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After presenting the SIP and strategies, the SDMC members unanimously approved the SIP.

- School Mascot: Principal shared that the community expressed that the previous mascot (the patriot) did not represent the school community. Mr. Alarcon shared that in May 2022 employees, students and parents had a chance to provide input in the selection of the new mascot. There were two rounds of voting where the community finally chose the jaguar as their new mascot. The SDMC members unanimously approved the jaguar as the new school mascot. The SDMC members also reviewed the proposed school logos that will include the jaguar and provided feedback.
- Representative from the Houston Public Library mentioned the services they could offer the school to support the curriculum. Representative from the church located across the street expressed that they are willing to work with the school this year and expressed that the school can ask for their support if needed.