



T.H. ROGERS SCHOOL

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SDMC MEETING MINUTES

January 11, 2022

- **Check-In** – The meeting was called to order at 3:45p.m.
- **COVID-19** – In-person gatherings, meetings, and events are not allowed effective Jan. 3, 2022. As a result, all meetings, events, and professional development must be held virtually until further notice. HISD will provide free COVID-19 testing to all consenting HISD students and staff on participating campuses. A one-time consent form is required for participation in the COVID-19 campus testing program. The form can be completed on the website. As part of the district's efforts to prioritize safety, HISD will continue to enforce its mask mandate at all district offices, facilities, campuses, and school buses. To keep school and work communities safe, all students and staff are strongly encouraged to get tested for COVID-19, regardless of vaccination status. All campus and non-campus staff can get tested for free at both HISD Health & Wellness Centers and at all 16 Next Level Urgent Care clinics.
- **RDSPD Updates** – The RDSPD program will no longer be house at T. H. Rogers. The RDSPD classes are being moved to four other campuses beginning August 2022.
 - Early Childhood – Baker Montessori
 - Elementary – Gregory Lincoln
 - Middle School – Deady Middle School
 - SLL Classes – Billy Reagan K-8 School
- **Vanguard Updates** – With the recent new of the RDSPD program moving and the negative impact it would have on the school budget. We have decided to expand the Elementary Vanguard program. For the 2022-2023 school year, we will add 1 additional class per grade level from 1st- 5th grades. Mrs. Chenier informed the SDMC that a planning committee will be formed to help assist with the planning of the expansion of the vanguard program.
- **Calendar Updates** – All dates remain the same currently. Events and programs may need to be rescheduled or be held virtually for the safety of our students and staff. If any changes or updates are made, we will communicate to the staff and parents.
- **Program Changes-** With the upcoming changes to the RDSPD program for the 2022-2023 school year and the continued struggle to fill positions in the RDSPD and ASL programs, the following change will be made; ASL enrichment classes will end in January 2022. We will add a STEM class to follow the same rotations that the ASL classes followed. This will afford us the opportunity to utilize the Makerspace.

- **Vacancies** – The current school vacancies are as follow.
 - Teacher – Special Education BSC
 - Teacher – Interventionist (ESSER)
 - Teaching Assistant – Special Education (2)

- **Questions, Comments, Suggestions** – The committee members posed the question of expanding the vanguard program beginning in kindergarten. This was suggested to ensure that the incoming students would not have to get acclimated with a new campus in kindergarten and then again when entering T. H. Rogers in first grade, if accepted.