

Faulconer Chapman School

Board Report

March 2017

How are we doing?

RTI/TITLE 1 / Reading

RTI recently finished our new 100% agreement items and teachers have begun implementing them right away. Our instructional coach has completed a new round of Core Reading Walkthroughs and has provided each teacher with feedback regarding their implementation of non-negotiables and 100% agreement items. We now are moving on to our 3rd round of 20% meetings and look forward to analyzing student growth. Later this week Jon Potter of ORTI will train administrators and teacher leads on the Individual Problem Solving process. Once trained, we will be ready to implement the final stage of RTI.

Athletics at FCS

Girls basketball season wrap!

Our middle school girls basketball coaches definitely saw some successes this season. The 8th grade team had only 7 girls this season, but certainly fought hard and delivered some great games. From a buzzer beater 3 pointer in Nestucca, to and inbound play for two points with just two seconds left to beat Gaston, the season had its share of excitement. We are also pleased to say the 6 of the 7 girls have reported that they plan to continue playing in high school.

The seventh grade team finished the season with 11 girls and fought their way through every game. For many of the girls there was a genuine positive impact in their attitude in school and certainly their sense of belonging. Over the course of the season the girls managed to execute 7 different offensive sets, and improved greatly in team defense. We were also impressed with the degree of sportsmanship and attitude during every game. Many of the 7th grade girls plan to play next season, and we are excited for what is to come next year.

FCS Track is beginning in the next few weeks! We are looking forward to another solid season ahead!

The middle school had its first semester awards in February, which included honor roll. All students who made the honor roll with a 3.75 GPA or higher got to attend a Blazer game this past week. Mr. Brown organized the trip and got the ticket money donated by the parent teacher club. The kids had a blast and the tickets were greatly appreciated! PBIS continues to do weekly ice cream drawings and running the student store. We are currently looking at options to keep the student store in the lobby running and are looking for any volunteers who would be willing to help out!

AVID

We have signed up teachers to attend summer institute in July. Jeremy Brown, Sydney Lang, Megan Gometz and Robin VanBuren will be attending in Sacramento this summer. The hope is to continue building our knowledge of AVID strategies to use in the middle school next year.

Dates to Remember:

- FCS Site Council, March 21, 4pm
- FCS Middle School Band & Choir Concert, March 21, 6-7pm
- Parent-Teacher Conferences, April 13, 3:30-8pm, April 14, 1-3:30pm

Community Feedback from February

During the last board meeting, some members of our school community communicated that FCS has some areas which need some improvement.

1) Student Academics:

New Curriculum for Grades 6-8 ELA

Currently our 6th-8th ELA teachers have been working with our instructional coach and Collaboration Grant coordinator to select a new ELA curriculum using the same detailed process used in previous adoptions. They have narrowed their focus down to 3 ODE approved curriculums and will be doing a detailed vetting and scoring of these curriculums next week. Their goal will be to have a curriculum recommendation to administration by April's board meeting.

K-5 RTI for Math

After success with the reading intervention system, FCS will begin to pilot and implement a grade level Math system to raise math achievement. Currently we are in the beginning stages of creating a system that could analyze student performance through 100% math meetings using STAR as a universal screener. Meetings would function very similarly to our Reading ones but have a focus on

Math. We would set goals, track and monitor progress of all students, and adjust our teaching practice based off the data collected.

SIG Grant

FCS will be starting a 4/5 year old preschool in the fall. We are excited to add to our current community offerings. This program will connect us better with both Yamhill County Head Start, as well as local day-care/pre-school providers. This program will be the first of three new programs. Also starting for 2017-18, will be an extended summer program, as well as an K-8 after school program.

2) Student Management:

K-5 RTI for Behavior.

At our Winter School Support Team meeting we discussed some possible next steps in many facets by expanding our school's Response to Intervention. One suggestion, was to analyze some of the framework building blocks of our RTI program to see if these could be applied to other areas like student behavior. Currently we are in the beginning stages of creating a system that could analyze student behavior through 100%, 20%, and individual problem solving meetings. Meetings would function very similarly to our Reading ones but have a focus on behavior. We would set goals, track and monitor interventions with students, and create individual behavior plans with certain students as needed.

No Bully:

The program is up and running at FCS MS. The staff has been trained in the protocols to support the solutions teams. We signed up teams of staff and students to attend our solution teams. Students are going through the process of accepting responsibility and then making restitution for their actions.

PAX:

Students are being held accountable and tracked through the SWISS system. Our system documents our students misbehaviors and we are using the newly adopted matrix. In an effort to reduce misbehavior, PAX is being adopted beyond our 2nd grade pilot. Next year, we are using PAX as program in K-3. This will support the staff with some consistent and effective behavior norms.

3) Customer Service:

FCS is committed to serving our students and families. As FCS transitions into next year, the office will be reshuffled in order to accommodate two separate buildings within the one structure. Both the elementary and middle school administrators are partnering to create a welcoming environment to all members of the community, families and students.

As we add positive customer service, the school will add in some safety systems to make certain that students and staff members are safe throughout the day. Currently, we are adding in some changes in the office setup for our students

and secretaries. It is our hope that these changes will add better line of site and additional help for visitors, parents and families.

4) Community Support:

FCS held the monthly site council and had a large number of attendees. The council discussed a number of concepts to improve FCS. Mr. Sticka chaired the meeting and we had staff, parents and board members attend the February meeting. The meeting began at 4pm and ended at 6pm.

Items discussed at 2/21/17 Site Council:

1. Expanding Site Council members: Looking for 1-2 more parents and 1-2 more ms staff.
2. Explore ways FCS can be more welcoming.
 - a. Front lobby
 - b. MS student helpers, greeters in the main lobby
 - c. Buzz door
 - d. Moving secretaries closer
 - e. Staff and Student of the Month
3. Student discipline matrix review
 - a. Idea of having students, parents sign it at registration
 - b. Idea of having staff sign it at the beginning of each year
 - c. Using time during August in service to review as a staff
 - d. Looking at how to make it more user friendly, readable
 - e. Possibly for next school year, having a discipline room for K-5 and a discipline room for 6-8.
 - f. How do we track data, saying the new discipline matrix system is working?