

Agenda for Magnet School Council
Mount Vernon Exploratory School
Thursday, February 22, 2024
12:30 p.m.

I. Call to Order - Roll Call **12:38 Meeting Called to Order**

Courtney Allgood (Vice-Chairperson)
Colette Hollifield (Chairperson)
Dr. Kelly Lathem
Crystal Schlieman
Kaitlin Smith (Secretary)
Mollie Stowe
Jennifer Westbrook

II. Approval of November Minutes (attached) **Approved at 12:39**

III. New Business

A. Principal's Report

- **February Enrollment-634 students enrolled (remaining steady with enrollment)**
 - K-3rd-average class size 21
 - 4-5-average class size 25 (24 in 4th grade; 26 in 5th grade)

- **District PBIS visit Jan 10th**
 - Visit went well-formal report hasn't been given yet
 - Spoke with students about Trojan Way and PBIS implementation.

- **Midyear MAP assessments completed**
 - Grade level percentages shared with council.
 - Higher growth and achievement in math
 - Compared to district we looked strong, but would like to continue growth and achievement in both reading and math.
 - Lower grades currently have higher achievement in lower grades than in upper grades.
 - Kindergarten and 3rd grade received banners for having the highest growth in reading and math.
 - Students received individual certificates for meeting their own growth goal.
 - Students are setting goals to help improve skills and in turn will improve achievement score.

- **Museum Nights**
 - A grandparent wrote into Gainesville Times talking about Museum Night and public schools.
 - 1st and 2nd grade will showcase on March 21st. After this, all grade levels will have showcased their learning this school year.

- CCRPI-state data report <https://ccrpi.gadoe.org> (Mount Vernon, choose Elementary Report Type)
 - At the school we have a focus on grade level reading percentage (reading on or above grade level).
 - Between 68% and 69% of MVES students that took Milestones are reading on or above grade level.

- 2024-2025 Kindergarten Registration-weekly newsletter and hallco.org for info
 - Timeline for 2024-25 Nonresident Enrollment
 - Magnet Application deadline March 1 for Grades 1-5
 - Kindergarten opens March 18-deadline April 10
 - Tuition Applications (first time applicants)
 - Application opens March 1 (district website)
 - Application deadline March 22
 - Video on our website to share about our K-5 grade enrichment opportunities.
 - The Kindergarten Team and Admin are meeting to determine new kindergarten orientation.

Council Questions/Concern/Input

- Dr. Lathem and Ms. Hollifield shared her concern with the anxiety level of students.
- Ms. Hollifield inquired about In-district vs district student percentage. Ms. Westbrook will pull that data to share.
- Mr. Armour will join the next Magnet Meeting.

B. Next Meeting –

Thur., April 25 at 12:30 pm

IV. Adjournment @ 1:25



Motivating, Valuing and Empowering Students for Success

Magnet School Council

Principal's Report

February 22, 2024

- February enrollment update – 634 students enrolled
 - K-3rd – average class size 21
 - 4th-5th – average class size 25 (24 in 4th grade; 26 in 5th grade)
 - District PBIS visit January 10
 - Midyear MAP assessments complete
 - Midyear assessment parent reports shared
 - All parents should have had a parent-teacher conference (or schedule before Spring Break)
 - Museum Nights
 - K, 3rd, 4th, 5th grade complete – great job!
 - 1st & 2nd scheduled for March 21
 - CCRPI – state data report <https://ccrpi.gadoe.org> (Mount Vernon, choose Elementary Report Type)
 - January teacher peer observations & professional learning focused on feedback
 - February PL Day
 - AI as a Tool for Teachers with Brian Buffington, Ashley Ruis and Heather Riley
 - Literacy Modules – began Oral Language (will continue during PL release time and March PL Day)
 - 2024-25 Registration – see handout and weekly newsletter/Hallco.org for info
[Click here for more information about 2024-25 Kindergarten Registration.](#)
 - Timeline for 2024-25 Nonresident Enrollment
 - Magnet Applications (through Infinite Campus)
 - deadline March 1 for Grades 1-5
 - Kindergarten opens March 18 – deadline April 10
 - Tuition Applications (first-time applicants) –
 - Application opens March 1 (district website)
 - Application deadline March 22
- Kindergarten Transfer Requests (Hall County residents) open on March 18, during Kindergarten Registration, and parents/guardians should first register their child in their zoned school, then complete the In-District Transfer Request via Infinite Campus.*
- [Video](#) (on website) to share about our K-5th grade enrichment opportunities

Upcoming Dates

- February 29 – Picture Day
- March 1 – K-5th Families
- March 4 (Week) – Read Across America
- March 16 –
 - Musical at NHHS
 - NHCEF Annual Auction
- March 18 – 21 – Kindergarten Registration
- March 21
 - Report Cards
 - 1st & 2nd Grade Museum Night
- March 22 – Teacher Workday
- Week of March 25 –
 - Math Mania
 - One and Done
- Week of April 1 – Spring Break

Attached: MAP midyear data summary, K registration flyer