



Committee Report

Committee Name: Academic Excellence Committee

Date of Report: 11/10//17

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Date/time of last meeting: Wednesday, November 8 at 3:30pm

Date/time of next meeting: Wednesday, December 13 at 3:30pm

Action Items for Board Meeting: None

Discussion:

There are 3 items attached to this report for your review:

1. The initial feedback from the most recent Class Measures visit,
2. The World's best Workforce Data and Achievements presentation,
3. A presentation on DDI Analysis, laying out an example of an analysis spreadsheet and explaining what happens in an analysis meeting.

We talked through each of these items, gathering teacher and administration feedback. We also discussed the most recent teacher in-service on Guided Reading, led by Lori Magstadt. This training proved to be invaluable - as one teacher put it: "I feel like this training helped me get back to the art of teaching."

The committee also talked about our the success that has been seen this year in establishing processes and systems so that we have a streamlined and consistent way to care for each student. As these processes have been put into place, the gaps are now becoming clear, and administration is working hard to address these gaps. An example of this is ensuring that beginning readers in every grade have tools to help them move into a secure ability to read well. The administration is searching out and will recommend resources that can be made available to all staff so that our staff does not have to search for these resources on their own which is can be very time consuming and unsustainable.

There was a resounding "YES!" in the room as we discussed the fact that, at STRIDE, we will not allow students to fall through the cracks. We believe that it is possible for EVERY student to succeed and we are grateful to have many dedicated stakeholders that hold this same value.

Adjourn Time: 4:35pm

Mission

The Academic Achievement Committee is charged with ensuring high academic standards at the Academy, true to Stride Academy's mission.