### Theresa N. Axford Superintendent of Schools

New Beginnings...High Expectations



SAC

# August 17th, 2021

6pm Media Center

- 1. Approval of Agenda- 1st Holly Raschein 2nd- Allana Dixon
- 2. COVID Update
  - 1. Mask Opt Out
    - 1. Masks are mandatory. Opt out form in FOCUS.
    - 2. There is a hard copy that you can print out and send in
    - 3. Call front desk if you need help with the form.
    - 4. Teachers are not going to police the masks. If they have a question, they will contact AP's, who will contact parents to see what the parents want.

Parents shared concerns about mask wearing education in Character Ed. They also asked about availability of lesson plans. Mr. Pais directed people to speak directly with teachers for their specifics. We are following District guidelines.

#### 2. Quarantining

- 1. We quarantine under 6 feet REGARDLESS of mask use. The only exception is a fully vaccinated individual (at least two weeks after the second dose for Moderna or Pfizer or 1st and only dose of J&J). They don't have to quarantine unless they develop symptoms or test positive.
- 2. Teachers are required to keep specific seating charts to help with contact tracing in all classrooms and elective classes.

# 3. New Staff

- 1. Julia Hagen-Kindergarten
- 2. Kaitlin White- First Grade
- 3. Jennifer Quint- 2nd Grade
- 4. Jade Blair- 3rd Grade
- 5. Kelly Shaw- 3rd Grade
- 6. Patrick Melton- 4th Grade
- 7. Carrie Kerns- Counselor
- 8. Gretchen Curl- 8th Grade ELA

104801 O/S Highway · Key Largo, FL 33037 Tel. 305.453.1255 · Fax 305.453.1248 www.KeysSchools.com Principal DARREN PAIS

Assistant Principal KRISTY MUNAFO

Assistant Principal DEBRA WARD

Office Manager PAMELA GALLO

Data Entry LISA GRAHAM

Bookkeeper DEBRA HOLLIS

Administrative Assistant ASHLEY BELL

- 9. Jessica Endress- 6th Grade Science
- 10. Melissa Lopez- Reading Interventionist
- 11. Monica Velez- Reading Interventionist
- 12. Michele Zofchak- ELL teacher
- 13. Aime Hernandez -K-2 VE/Resource
- 14. Paula Gale Pre- K FT ESE
- 15. Madelin Riquelme FT VE
- 16. Alejandra Fernandez- Gifted
- 17. Ann Maria Wells- ELL Para
- 18. Aubrey Rubin- Head Start
- 19. Christian Martinez- Paraprofessional
- 20. Ashley Bell Administrative Assistant
- 21. Debra Hollis Book Keeper
- 22. Christa Zamudio Cortez- Nurse Technician
- 23. Ashley Hernandez- Paraprofessional
- 24. Sarah McCoy- Permanent Sub
- 25. Debra Ward- AP
- 26. Kristy Munafo- AP
- 4. Upper Keys Early Release Dates
  - 1. Oct 15 (CSHS Homecoming)
  - 2. Oct 29 (KLS Halloween) parents asked if we could still have the parade.
  - 3. March 8 (Spring parent conferences)

Approved-1st Alana Dixon 2nd Katie Fernandez

- 5. Title 1/Food Program Benefits
  - 1. All students in Monroe County will receive free breakfast and lunch
  - 2. All students will receive this benefit right through the summer
  - 3. The data collected bring in extra funding for KLS
  - 4. Pays for 1.5 teachers
  - 5. Pays for after school tutoring
  - 6. Pays for over 75% of the supplies for the students
  - 7. We are going to push it hard.

Additional benefits of Free/Reduced eligibility shared; i.e TSIC, Comcast discounts, Amazon Prime discount

- 6. AVID
  - 1. Eva Brown shared that elementary students are using planners and binders have been distributed.
- 7. Elementary Changes
  - 1. Mrs. Ward is the AP for Pre-K through 3rd grade
  - 2. Mrs. Munafo is the AP for 4th grade through 8th grade.
  - 3. When 8th grade leaves KLS, Mrs. Munafo picks up Pre K.
  - 4. Same concept with the counselors.
  - 5. They will be with that cohort for the entire career.
  - 6. Extra teacher and paraprofessional in the elementary grades to target the specific students.

### 8. SAC Membership

- 1. We are looking for a chairperson
- 2. Alanna Dixon has put her hat into the ring to be chair.
- 3. Voting will take place at the next meeting.
- 4. Criteria for the SAC board was shared with the membership.
- 5. Members will be contacted if they are selected to be on the board.
- 6. By-Laws and Minutes will be posted on the web page.

Holly Raschein said she would back Alanna up if needed.

9. SAC meeting dates (3rd Tuesday of Every Month)

| 1. | Aug 17  | 6.  | Jan 18   |
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| 2. | Sept 21 | 7.  | Feb 15   |
| 3. | Oct 19  | 8.  | March 15 |
| 4. | Nov 16  | 9.  | April 19 |
| 5. | Dec 14  | 10. | May 17   |

Guest speaker is here to discuss masks (Lab Tech-Melissa Ptomey-child at TVM) Had previously brought this up with the School Board. Students with speech difficulties, those who need to see people speak, breathing difficulties, ASD, etc.

She was worried about whether they could get an exemption. Masks that were sent for testing and germs were found. There is a lot of cross contamination whenever people touch other things and touch their masks. Many are not trying to be oppositional by opting out. Hopefully students are not being bullied for not wearing masks. Even if there is mandatory immunization, there are still immune compromised students who can't vaccinate.

D. Ward shared that we don't feel there is an issue with judgment. We also are following the guidelines that are provided by the District.

The biggest concern was the mask message before school began.

Closing comments from Principal Pais--We have gone through so much and we need to get the families back on campus. We will have academics and fun this year.

25 people on YouTube in attendance !!