Student Success=Parent Involvement

Fox C6 Parent Summit



Many school districts cite the lack of parent involvement as the second largest obstacle to school improvement besides lack of funding. (Gonzales, 2002).



THE WHY

Beyond the Bake Sale

Families have a major influence on their children's achievement.

- Tend to do better in school
- Stay longer in school
- Like school more



About Fox C-6 School District

- 11,551 Student Enrollment
- 1 Early Childhood Center
- 11 Elementaries
- 4 Middle Schools
- 2 High Schools
- 32% Free and Reduced
- 15% SPED







CORE BELIEFS

- All parents have dreams for their children and want what is best for them
- All parents have the capacity to support their children's learning
- Parents and school staff should be equal partners
- The responsibility for building partnerships between school and home rests primarily with school staff, especially school leaders

Assess Needs First

DISTRICT SURVEY

- 1. ONLINE
- 2. EVERY PARENT
- 3. DROVE LEARNING SESSIONS

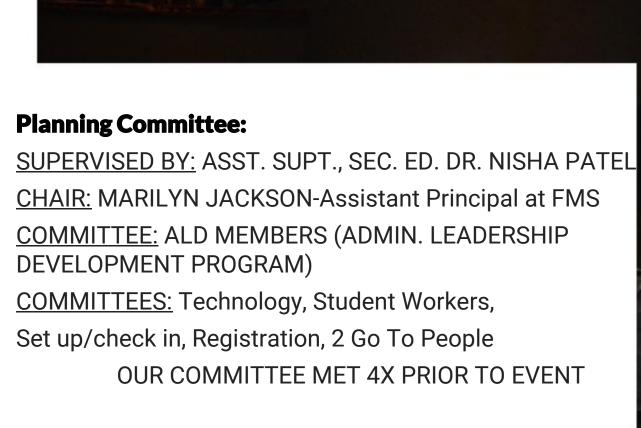


Survey Questions-800 Responses

- 1. HOW INTERESTED ARE YOU IN ATTENDING A PARENT SUMMIT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT IMPORTANT TOPICS FACING STUDENTS AND EDUCATORS?
- 2. WOULD YOU RATHER LEARN ABOUT BROAD TOPICS IN EDUCATION OR HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO SELECT SESSIONS FOR SPECIFIC TOPICS RELEVANT TO YOUR STUDENTS?
- 3. DO YOU PREFER TO HAVE SESSIONS WITH A DIVERSE GROUP (STUDENTS FROM DIFFERENT GRADE LEVELS?) OR DO YOU PREFER TO HAVE SESSIONS WITH PARENTS WHO HAVE CHILDREN IN SIMILAR GRADES (ELEMENTARY, MIDDLE, HIGH SCHOOL)
- 4. IS THERE SPECIFIC TOPIC YOU WOULD BE INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE ABOUT?
- 5. PLEASE SELECT WHICH BUILDINGS YOU CURRENTLY HAVE A STUDENT ENROLLED.
- 6. SELECT YOUR LEVEL OF INTEREST FROM THE FOLLOWING:

(EARLY CHILDHOOD, SPECIAL-EDUCATION, MIDDLE SCHOOL TRANSITION, ACTIVITIES/ATHLETICS, COLLEGE EXAMS, AP COURSES, SOCIAL MEDIA, BULLYING, COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS, HOMEWORK, SCHOLARSHIPS, TECHNOLOGY, SAFETY/SECURITY, CURRICULUM)









Planning First Meeting

DISCUSSION FOCUSED AROUND THESE TOPICS:

- PURPOSE
- GOAL: 500 PARENTS
- LENGTH OF SESSIONS
- CHILD CARE
- CALL FOR PROPOSALS
- AFTER SUMMIT,
 PRESENTATIONS ONLINE
- DEADLINES FOR PARENT REGISTRATION
- PARENT COMMUNICATION

COMMUNICATION

DISTRICT LEVEL VS. SCHOOL LEVEL

(relied more heavily upon school level communication)

DISTRICT WIDE EMAIL BLASTS, SOCIAL MEDIA

SCHOOL COMMUNICATION

(NEWSLETTERS, EMAIL BLASTS, PHONE BLASTS, SOCIAL MEDIA)

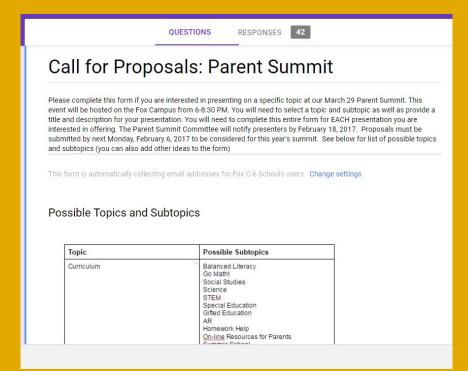
ABBREVIATED FLIER AT P/T CONFERENCES

Quick read about each session



CALL FOR PROPOSALS

- GOOGLE FORM
- DISTRICT WIDE
- READING COMMITTEE
- AFTER SELECTION PROCESS





REGISTRATION

45 LEARNING SESSIONS OFFERED

PARENTS CHOSE FROM 3 30 MINUTE SESSIONS, OR 1 30 MINUTE & 1 60 MINUTE SESSION

SESSIONS TARGETED: ALL PARENTS, PK-5 PARENTS, 6-12 PARENTS

STRANDS: ACADEMIC, SOCIAL/EMOTIONAL, PARENTING, HEALTH, STUDENT PARTICIPATION, CURRICULUM, MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL TRANSITION



Grade Level Registration Totals

ELEMENTARY

MIDDLE SCHOOLS

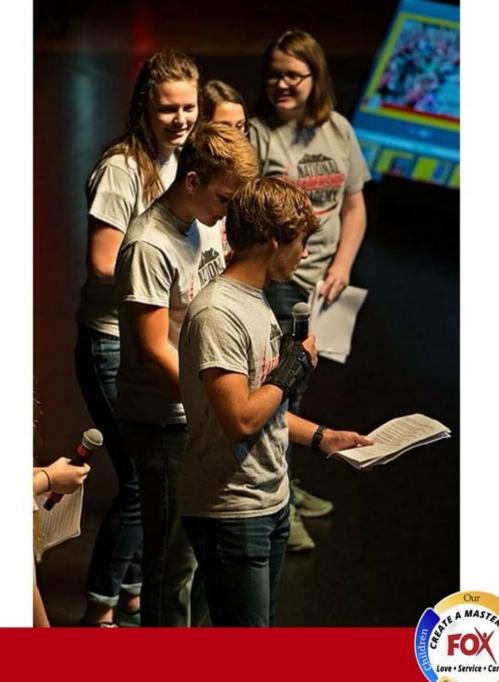
HIGH SCHOOLS

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Other Considerations

- Student Presence
- Flip Charts
- Registration Night of Event
- Child Care

THANK YOU FOR COMING!

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