

Family & Community Engagement

| JANUARY 8TH

Meeting called by Lyndsay Holland
Type of meeting FACE

Please contact me with any questions, concerns, or ideas:

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Please sign in for our meeting. We keep records of total number in attendance each month. THANKS!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Time allotted | 10 min | Agenda topic Calendar | Presenter Lyndsay

Afterschool math tutoring is offered Tuesdays & Wednesdays from 3:30 – 4:30 this trimester.

No Student Store January 8th – 12th

1/12: EAD

1/15 Martin Luther King Jr. Day: No School

1/16 & 1/18: 8th Grade English Scrapbook Presentation over Self-Selected Fictional Books

1/19: A Day

1/22 & 1/24: 9th Grade English Book Seller/Celebrity Presentations.

1/24: 8th Grade Schweitzer Ski Day

1/26: Middle School Dance

1/31: 7th Grade Schweitzer Ski Day

2/2: EAD & HS Hard Due Date

2/7: 6th Grade Schweitzer Ski Day

FAMILY SCHOOL PARTNERSHIPS

Time allotted | 20 min | Agenda topic What type of Partnership do we have at FBCS? |

Take inventory and discuss elements of partnership that our families would like to see improved at FBCS.

Discussion Items:

AM Meeting: Discussion of a lack of “community feel” and suggested FBCS work days or FACE meeting get to know you activities as a way to build this sense of community among families. A request was made to be able to see student work that has been submitted on Canvas so that families are better able to understand the requirements of the assignment and help their student develop skills.

PM Meeting: Discussion of Canvas as a communication tool to let families know what is happening in the classroom and how their student is performing in class. A parent mentioned that she loved having her daughter at FBCS (6th grade) and that she was receiving far more communication here than at the previous school. Another parent celebrated the fact that FBCS receives and welcomes students who learn a variety of different ways and seeks to educate them appropriately. She mentioned that her student (11th grade) learned very differently than his peers but he still was able to earn his credits and make friends here at FBCS.

Both meetings asked about a Family Center and the PM meeting discussed what that may look like in the future as a place for family members and students to gather for resources, educational support and building school community partnerships.

FBCS CULINARY ANNOUNCEMENT

Time allotted | 5 min | Presenter Hillary DeCecchis

FBCS Culinary Department is passionate about healthy eating for all students. In order to provide healthy meals that are free of charge, donations of the following would be gladly accepted. Please bring all donations to the front office at either building.

- Raw Potatoes
- Carrots – Canned and Raw
- Tomatoes – Canned and Raw
- Bread
- Rice
- Beans – Dried
- Onions
- Other fresh vegetables.

COMMUNICATION TO FAMILIES VIA CANVAS ANNOUNCEMENTS

Time allotted | 5 min | Presenter Lyndsay Holland

At our December FACE meeting, FBCS families requested that the school put all events in one location. It was decided that Canvas would be a good location because students and families have access to the site and are already using the system regularly.

FBCS will begin to transition to this method of communication while still placing items on Facebook and Email Correspondence. Please look for announcements and updates at the top of your Canvas Dashboard.

Families also requested work toward a FBCS FACE Facebook Page. Lyndsay Holland and school Administration will begin work toward the creation of such a page to keep families updated.

OPEN ENROLLMENT SIGNAGE IN THE COMMUNITY

Time allotted | 10 min | Presenter *Lyndsay Holland*

FBCS is requesting help designing a flier that would be able to advertise the type of public school we are and what we offer our students. Once this flier is made, we can strategically place fliers in our community to let families know about our open enrollment period (February – March).

We are currently looking through old digital files for a starting point.

Areas where we are planning to put signage: Creations & Sandpoint Public Library.

Other Ideas included Monarch Mt Coffee, Starbucks, Evan's Brothers, Schweitzer Mountain Resort, Sandpoint West Athletic Club, & Community Action League.

Next Meeting: February 12th 7:45 OR 3:30