

MCCPTA Committee Work Plan 2011/12

Committee: Parent Involvement

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Vision

How does the work of your committee support the objects and mission of PTA? By creating liaisons to reach out to underserved families within the school community and providing parents with resources needed to empower them in becoming more effective parents. We also seek to increase the level of parent involvement within our school system.

Action Steps

What does your committee plan to do to achieve these goals?

Our first step is to identify parents that are willing to be a part of this Committee County wide. This Fall, the Committee will present a re-run of the Spring workshop: "Rolling Out The Red Carpet." If feasible, we will also host a follow up workshop in the Spring, to evaluate the success of the strategies presented in the Fall Workshop.

Form a partnership with the MCPS Division of Family and Community Partnership, Linkages to Learning, and ESOL Department to reach out to multi cultural families in our community.

To find ways to overcome the various barriers that hinder parents from being involved in their children lives.

Identify ways PTA leaders in the county could assess where families and educators are in adopting the Parent Involvement best practices recommended in the report of the State Board of Education's newly adopted Maryland Parent Advisory Council report, Shared Responsibility: Recommendations for Increasing Family and Community Involvement in Schools.

One of the missions of the PTA is: To encourage parent and public involvement in the public schools. The activities of this committee, Parent Leadership, will directly support that mission as well as MCCPTA's focus on supporting student achievement. Research shows that schools that show the greatest improvement in student achievement have high levels of parent, family and community involvement.

Goals

Give a summary of your committee's goal for this year. Consider how you will identify attainment.

Committee goals are to continue to:

- (1) Provide resources for parents in the county that they maybe empowered to help their children achieve greatness by being more involved in their children education in the school and on the PTA, (target parents are low income and multi-cultural families).
- (2) Identify effective practices in Montgomery County and other counties nationwide and share them with county parent and school audiences.
- (3) Provide assistance to PTA's attempting to initiate and improve parent involvement activities, by seeking out parent leadership liaisons to reach out to underserved families within the school community and partnering with the liaisons to reach out to underserved families within the school community and partnering with the Division for Family and Community Partnership to offer leadership training and resources for parents seeking to be more effective in the lives of their children.

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Parents who can commit to taking this information back to their various schools, and utilizing it. Then bringing feedback to us henceforth giving us a sense of what works and what doesn't.

Partnering with ESOL to reach those parents who are intimidated by our school system, due to cultural or ethnic barriers.

Expenses

Provide food and incentives for Fall and Spring Workshops.

\$350.00

Meetings are scheduled as follows: September 22nd 2011, 7-9pm DFCEP Meeting Room 50, West entrance of the BOE building.

October 13th 2011. 7-9pm CESC Auditorium.

January 19th 2012, 7-9pm Room 120 BOE building.

March 29th 2012, 7-9pm Room 120 BOE building.

April 26th 2012, 7-9pm Room 120 BOE building.

All meetings are held at 850 Hungerford Drive, Rockville MD 20850

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