

Site-base meeting 11/15/23

Attendees

Dr. Fisenne
Gail Mercurio (parent)
Cassidy Jarrett

Teachers:

Murray	Myers
Ruhland	Stegall
Welch	

We need to invite/establish parents and students 10th-12th grades to attend meetings regularly. (Dr. Wall will put it in the Pirate Press).

8th graders visit– very positive experience getting middle schoolers used to the idea that high school is coming up soon for them.

–The Charting Your Course station used Pirate Treasure map to plan future registration

–Lighthouse team talked about leadership opportunities

–District gave them T-shirts

Leader in Me has a symposium in Charlotte January 31st and chose our school to visit. Lighthouse teams will set up activities for them and we may need to shift Advisory to a Wednesday.

Many disciplinary issues involve cell phone usage. Cyber bullying and inappropriate posting aside, we are concerned about students' addiction and inattention in classes– this year seems worse than ever. (Saffles could not attend but provided feedback from the department.)

We discussed leaving them in the back pack (or a shoe pocket) and having administrators randomly taking phones if they see them out. Another idea is having standards for usage by department. All agreed on no earbuds in class and teacher's discretion on usage for certain activities.

Soft launch of this new standard starting after Thanksgiving. In place by next term.
Need to:

- remind teachers to push button to have administrators come take phones
- inform parents in Pirate Press and ask them to have a conversation with students about it