



# Sankofa Montessori

## Academic Committee Meeting

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### Date and Time

Wednesday October 7, 2026 at 5:30 PM EDT

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Through a culturally responsive, child and family-centered Montessori education, Sankofa Montessori ensures that all of our students develop the knowledge, skill, and agency to have a life of purpose.

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### Agenda

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| <b>I. Opening Items</b>                                                                                    |                 |                     | <b>5:30 PM</b> |
| <b>A.</b> Record Attendance                                                                                |                 | Andrea Allen-Thames | 1 m            |
| <b>B.</b> Call the Meeting to Order                                                                        |                 | Andrea Allen-Thames | 1 m            |
| <b>C.</b> Approve Minutes                                                                                  | Approve Minutes |                     | 5 m            |
| Approve minutes for Academic Committee Meeting on September 9, 2026                                        |                 |                     |                |
| <b>D.</b> Leadership Team Updates                                                                          | Discuss         | Rhushanda Barnes    | 30 m           |
| 1. Enrollment status- Current enrollment status and efforts for enrollment fundraising & School Attendance |                 |                     |                |

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| 2. Personnel Updates- Updates on staffing and updates regarding professional development of staff. Staff Attendance.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |         |                  |      |
| 3. Updates on school suspensions/expulsions by grade                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |         |                  |      |
| 4. Standardized Testing and Screening Data Updates- Any outstanding outcome data per grade from fall assessments if applicable. Updates/Preliminary Results if applicable (I.e. NWEA Fall MAP, IXL and DIBELS data;                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |         |                  |      |
| 5. Discuss School-Parent (PTO)-any updates for upcoming SY26-27                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |         |                  |      |
| 6. SCSC Follow Ups- CCRPI data review-Schedule next Academic Task Force meeting with latest Dashboard data, all standardized testing data, attendance/tardy data, and data on low performing 2nd-4th graders.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |         |                  |      |
| 7. Other Important Updates                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |         |                  |      |
| <b>E. Special Education</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Discuss | Rhushanda Barnes | 2 m  |
| B. Discussion of Special Education                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |         |                  |      |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discuss student enrollment #/% of student population with suspected and/or identified special needs</li> <li>• Any updates on staffing for Special Needs and progress of Special Ed classroom</li> <li>• Any updates on classroom integration of special needs and updates on external supports for special needs (ie Speech, ABA, OT/PT)</li> <li>• Any updates on psycho-educational testing for students- plans/progress</li> </ul> |         |                  |      |
| <b>F. Gifted Student Services</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Discuss | Rhushanda Barnes | 2 m  |
| C. Discussion of Gifted Services                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |         |                  |      |
| Discuss student enrollment #/% of student population with suspected and/or identified for gifted services                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |         |                  |      |
| Discuss plans for data tracking/allocating #/% of students for appropriate funding per student for special services or gifted services                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |         |                  |      |

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| <b>G.</b> SY 26-27 Goals | Discuss | Andrea Allen-Thames | 4 m  |

Any updates or changes to the short term and long term goals for school year

Any outstanding items or updates on grants/funding/external partnerships for school year

## **II. Public Comments/Questions 6:15 PM**

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| <b>A.</b> Public Comment | 5 m |
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- Speakers please limit questions/comments to 2 minute.

## **III. Closing Items 6:20 PM**

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| <b>A.</b> Adjourn Meeting | Vote | 1 m |
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