



Athlos Jefferson Parish

Minutes

Academic Pillars Committee Meeting

Date and Time

Wednesday May 21, 2025 at 4:30 PM

Location

[Athlos Academy of Jefferson Parish](#)

[979 Behrman Hwy, Terrytown, LA 70056](#)

<https://zoom.us/j/98959891249>

Committee Members Present

J. Holmes, M. Jennings (remote), N. Young-Smith, P. Boutte, T. Burns (remote)

Committee Members Absent

B. Bressler, V. McCoy

Guests Present

C. Brooks (remote), Kathleen Wheeler, T. Tate (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

J. Holmes called a meeting of the Academic Committee Committee of Athlos Jefferson Parish to order on Wednesday May 21, 2025 at 4:34 PM.

II. Academic Committee

A. Review Academic Progress Data

Ms. Wheeler shared the ELPT and LEAP Connect data that was just released this week. She stated the Dr. Bressler is working to put it in the calculator, and they are working to pull last year's data to compare to it.

Ms. Burns requested having Ms. Huft present and share information in a future academic committee meeting when possible.

Ms. Young-Smith inquired when new ELL students are being given the baseline screener to show growth? This is something to double check for future meetings.

B. Review Curriculum Recommendations for 25-26

Dr. Thompson shared the curriculum audit she prepared along with curriculum recommendations for next year that we reviewed with Dr. Bressler and Ms. Harrison. The committee discussed the pros and cons of each curriculum and the strain on teachers of curriculum changes. They discussed what was the best material for students and alignment with state LEAP tests. The committee discussed the importance of training and monitoring the teachers on how to use whatever curriculum is chosen.

The recommendation was to switch math from iReady to Eureka (match the version that we have in the building, not Eureka Squared) and to switch Wit & Wisdom to Guidebooks. The committee supported this recommendation.

III. Closing Items

A. Topics for next meeting

Review the ELPT and LEAP Connect data with the calculator and in comparison to last year.

B. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 5:34 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
J. Holmes