

BSNBCS Academic/Family Engagement Committee Call  
February 10, 2021

Board members- Leticia Greene, Kevin Nesbitt, Cecelia M. Russo Committee Chair  
Victor Rivera, Board Chair  
HSMT Nicholas Tishuk, EXD  
Patience Brown-Principal

Agenda- Review of emails to all on Board from Nick since last meeting; update on COVID health protocols.

1. School Update: Nick informed us that the poverty rate has risen to 96%. Outreach/ assistance has been enhanced by the SMT and teachers to let the community know BSNBCS is available for them.
2. Feb. 13<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> is mid-winter break, Instructional Packets will be sent home with the students on Feb 12<sup>th</sup>. On Feb 12<sup>th</sup> a virtual party stressing “fun” activities before the break was held.
3. When all return on Feb 22<sup>nd</sup>, will probably have 63% of the students in-person; compared to NYCDOE which has been 25-30%
4. Staff Morale continues to be positive and high. Teacher Evaluations will be continued and conducted for this 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter the first week of March by Nick, Patience and Asst Principals. These evaluations are used to inform the teachers/staff of progress, and/or in need of improvement so that next year’s staff can be formalized. SMT welcomes input / new ideas/ negative/positive feedback from all as the school is a family/partnership to service the students and parents in the community.
5. Though confident the students are ready and able to do well, the NYS Assessment Tests will probably be cancelled as they were last year. Attendance, cooperation, class tests, projects will be used as the Barometers for Achievement.

Patience will report at the Feb 23<sup>rd</sup> Board meeting on number of students returning after break, any COVID-19 cases, etc.

March will be a full month of instruction and planning for end of year. Graduation date, 8<sup>th</sup> grade activities, promotion endeavors, end of year planning, etc. will also be communicated in the coming months.

We suggest that all on Board read all communication from Nick and the SMT.

We expressed our delight that Vicky D’Anjou-Pomerleau has returned to BSNBCS and Nick informed us that he has charged her with pursuing grants for the school.

The Committee is requesting an updated SCHOOL ORGANIZATIONAL CHART and will ask at the Board Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Cecelia M. Russo  
2/15/21