

## **Minutes of Leadership Meeting – February 15, 2022**

**Public Speaking Elective** – Ms. Lee had a public speaking competition for her elective classes. The students in this class are developing confidence. The students were very supportive of each other in telling their stories. These students are flourishing in their self-confidence. The students who were in the audience were also very supportive of the students who were involved in the competition. Each student that spoke was a winner. Ms. Lee will have another competition hopefully in the spring.

**I-Ready** – There were 2 diagnostics exams given. One was the beginning of the school year and the next one will be mid-year. These exams will determine what the student does well in and what they need to improve in. It will also determine whether or not they are on level in reading and math. Parents have been receiving the progress reports. The diagnostic results need to be sent home to the parents and put on Jupiter if possible.

**3 on 3 Black History Month Basketball tournament** – We will be having our Annual Black History Basketball Tournament February 21, 22 and 23, during the Mid-Winter recess. Monday will be 6<sup>th</sup> grade, Tuesday will be 7<sup>th</sup> grade, and 8<sup>th</sup> grade will be Wednesday. The students were able to pick their own teams. March we will be hosting the Women's History Basketball Tournament and in the summer, the Annual Fortunato V. Rubino Summer Basketball Tournament. The Women's History Tournament will be held on Friday after school and on Saturdays.

**Mid-Winter Recess** – February 21 – February 25, 2022. No School for Students and Staff.

**Parent Teacher Conference** – Virtual – Wednesday, March 9, 2022 evening and Thursday, March 10, afternoon – dismissal at 11:20. Letters were sent home on Jupiter.

### **New Business**

There will be a practice ELA exam in March. The NYS ELA exam will be on March 29, 30 and 31. The NYS Math exam will be held April 26, 27 and 28.

This week we had Respect for All Week. There were different themes each day.

Chess has had tournaments and competitions on Saturdays at various locations.

The National Chess Championship has already been held.

We have had 10 virtual tours for elementary schools in the past few weeks. We are going to try to have a Family day for incoming 6<sup>th</sup> grade students and their parents with current 6<sup>th</sup> graders and their parents. Hopefully, we will have different sessions in June for IEP/SETTS and Accelerated students. We normally have a Summer Orientation Program for incoming 6<sup>th</sup> grade students. Middle School is quite different from Elementary school. The 6<sup>th</sup> graders have more than 1 teacher every day. The teachers all have different personalities as well as the students.

Graduation information will be sent out before the Spring Break which is April 15 – 22, 2022. Also we will try to have a Senior BBQ and Carnival with a gaming truck for our 8<sup>th</sup> grade graduates.

Hopefully we will have field trip for June the 1<sup>st</sup> Friday in June for each grade. It was suggested that maybe we can showcase the different clubs and after school programs with

Next Meeting will be Tuesday, March 15, 2022 due to Parent Teacher Conference on March 9 & 10 2022.