



16 September 2025

Minutes

3:45- Mitchell Library

AGENDA

Introductions

10 people in attendance (5 staff, 5 parents)

District Updates

- School Board Election- 3 seats will be up for election.
 - Open Candidate Forum on September 29th 6:00-8:00 PM Jefferson Unitarian Church in Golden
 - Link to Google Survey to ask questions and share priorities.

Budget

- District Budget Reduction Blueprint
 - Shared history of needs
 - Likely need to reduce budget by \$45 million and raise an additional \$15 million
 - Reductions will come from departments, programs, and schools with an aim to limit direct effects to schools to the greatest degree possible.
- School October Count forecast
 - Mitchell was budgeted at 470 in the spring of 2025. Current enrollment is at 453 which is 17 fewer students. This matches the yearly trend.
 - Will be paying \$60,000 to reconcile the difference in the October count.
 - This will not affect classroom staff in this fall 2025 time thanks to conservative budgeting last spring.

School UIP

- Update on last year's goals
 - Most goals were met (math growth was close, but not quite at the set target. Engagement favorable percentages showed a decline instead of an increase. Strong reduction in 'at risk' reading scores for students in grades K-3).
 - Significant achievement scores resulting in earning the John Irwin Award for another year.
- Beginning of the year data

- Beginning of the year MAP data shows 64% proficiency in Math and 72% proficiency in Reading.
- Beginning of the year DIBELS data shows 68% of students in grade-level ranges.
- Input on goal areas, or specific targets
 - Goals will be set in achievement for math using the MAP assessment, lowering the 'at risk' percentage using the DIBELS assessment, and monitoring student engagement through interviews and focus groups.
 - The Unified Improvement Plan is posted on the Colorado Department of Education's website for every school in mid-October.

Spotlight on Safety

- Highlight of the embedded problem-solving skills found in the Second STEP curriculum.
- Reviewed teaching points of Lockdown procedures for both students and staff.
- Reviewed the tool of Safe2Tell as a resource for students and families.

Next Meeting November 11th

The school-level accountability committee (SAC) serves in an advisory role to the school principal. The school's principal is ultimately responsible for ensuring compliance with all federal, state, and district requirements and meeting the academic performance expectations defined by Jeffco Public Schools.

- Makes recommendations to the principal on school priorities for spending school funds prior to adoption of the school budget. This review should ensure that funds and spending priorities align with the school's improvement plans and core values of the school to benefit all students.
- SACs are also expected to annually review and approve the school fees.
- Provides recommendations annually on the school's Unified Improvement Plan (UIP).
- Meets quarterly to review and discuss the implementation and progress of the school's improvement plan.
- On an advisory basis, when requested by the SPAC (Jeffco's District Accountability Committee) and/or district administration, provides input and recommendations concerning principal development plans and the principal evaluation process.
- Assists school personnel to increase the level of parent engagement in the school, especially the engagement from diverse populations.