Bradford School Action Team for Partnerships
Agenda & Minutes
September 25, 2025
6:30 pm-7:30 pm

Everyone Teaches, Everyone Learns!

Agenda	
I. Welcome & Introductions	**Dr. Frank Sedita, Principal** **Bradford School Action Team for Partnerships (SATp) Leadership Team**
II. Purpose of School Action Team for Partnerships (SATp)	**The district has adopted the School Action Teams for Partnership model to replace School Review. The model was developed by Johns Hopkins' researcher, Dr. Joyce Epstein, who has identified six types of involvement that make school-family-community partnerships successful:** **A. Supporting the whole child through academic achievement and social emotional learning;** **B. Effective family advocacy, communication, and engagement;** **C. Ensuring a welcoming school environment;** **D. Offering volunteer opportunities for family and community engagement;** **E. Educating families to support learning at home; and** **F. Collaborating with Montclair Community Partners.**
III. Academics:	**Our School Improvement Plan and Goals-** ***Dr. Frank Sedita, Principal*** ● **Presentation of this year's School Improvement Plan** **Introduction of our Sub-Committees and Volunteer Needs** ● **Bradford Caregiver University Workshops**

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	• Literacy & STEAM Initiatives • Montclair State University Magnet
IV. Cultural Responsiveness & Inclusion:	**Our School Improvement Plan and Goals-** ***Dr. Frank Sedita, Principal*** • **Presentation of this year's School Improvement Plan** **Introduction of our Sub-Committees and Volunteer Needs** • **Cultural Infusion** • **Disability Acceptance** • **Social Justice**
V. Subcommittee Work Session	**Proposed Subcommittees & Initiatives** **Parent, Guardian & Caregiver Workshops Upcoming Initiatives** • **Fall/Spring Workshops** **Cultural Infusion Upcoming Initiatives** • **Hispanic Heritage** • **Native American & Alaska Native Heritage** • **Lunar New Year** • **Black History Month** • **Women's History Month** • **Arab American Heritage Month** • **Jewish American Heritage Month**

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	• Asian American, Native Hawaiian & Pacific Islander Heritage Month • Pride Month • Caribbean Heritage Month • Juneteenth **Disability Acceptance Upcoming Initiatives** • Autism and Neurodiversity Spirit Week (April) • Classroom lessons • History of influential people • School-wide activity • Take-home flyer with terminology, information, and resources • Digital library **Literacy & STEAM Initiatives** • Read-A-Thon (March) • Book Swap (March) • Literacy and/or STEAM Night(s) (April) • Author Visits • Montclair Public Library (Library Card Drive & eTuk Visit) • Lending Library **Social Justice** • Kindness & Justice Challenge • Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service (January 2026) • Earth Day of Service (April 2026)

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	• **Additional Grade Level Social Justice Initiatives & Action Projects**
VI. Good of the Order	**Bradford SATp Subcommittee Sign-up**
VII. Next Meetings:	**October 2025 (Subcommittee Meetings)** **November 20, 2025 (General Meeting)** **December 18, 2025 (General Meeting)** **January 2026 (Subcommittee Meetings)** **February 19, 2026 (General Meeting)** **March 2026 (Subcommittee Meetings)** **April 30, 2026 (General Meeting)** **May 2026 (Subcommittee Meetings)** **June 11, 2026 (General Meeting)** ***All SATp meetings will be facilitated in a hybrid format from 6:30 pm-7:30 pm (In-person: Bradford Library/Virtual: Zoom)** • **Zoom Information: https://mpsdnj.zoom.us/j/8137333502** **Meeting ID: 813 733 3502** **Passcode: 9SJt7M**

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- Discussed goals.
    - Discussed how much goals align to proposed subcommittees
- What are the needs of the community? How can MSU help?
- What does the MSU magnet mean? What does it look like?
- Need to articulate and communicate magnet to the public. Improvement needed in this area.
- PE, Music, Art
    - Jazz Performances (During school day & possible evening jazz cafe on MSU campus)
    - Visits to Art Gallery
- Could do a possible service project with MSU
- Possibly offer science courses
    - 1515 Prism Project
    - Computer Science
    - Develop and implement lessons at Bradford
    - Other possible grant opportunities
- Possibly have another subcommittee focused on helping parents, guardians, and caregivers
    - Tutoring (MSU pre-service teachers, MHS students, MKA students)
    - Put together resources
    - Robotics
    - Parent/Student Diner: Parents come with students, have dinner, and work together with someone to learn how to support their child with academics at home
- Disability Acceptance Subcommittee
    - Make sure all students are included
    - Have a liaison from this subcommittee on all other subcommittees to ensure full inclusion
- Behavioral Supports available at MSU
    - Could compile resources

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- Psychologists
- Music Therapists

- Cultural Infusion
  - Possible assembly for Native American Heritage Month
- Co-chair Volunteers:
  - Laura Giasone, Teacher Co-Chair
  - Matthew Jurow, Parent Co-Chair