

Parent Council

October 27th, 2021

- Review Parent Council Mission Statement
 - The BAMS Parent Council group was started during 2016-2017 School Year. The following mission statement was created to guide the purpose of Parent Council:
 - The mission of Parent Council is to provide an avenue for parents/guardians and administration as stakeholders the opportunity to understand the operations of BAMS including, but not limited to, curriculum and safety, and to engage in professional conversations on ways to optimize the fullest potential of our school.

- Communication
 - Frequency
 - Powerschool Announcements for daily announcements
 - Emails for important news to share
 - Social Media for short news and BAMS pictures
 - Emails
 - Send different emails for different topics as opposed to sending one email with many important points. This may make it easier for parents to find specific topics.
 - Prefer to leave the phone calls for things such as delays and cancellations.
 - Social Media
 - Fun stuff on Social Media
 - Not major announcements on Social Media
 - BAMS Website
 - Tweak that announcement section so that it is more visible
 - Conversation Starters on Newsletter
 - Share a few key topics/conversation starters with parents/guardians to help parents/guardians know what is going on at school

- Flexible Instruction Days/Technology Questions/Google Classroom
 - What is a Flexible Instruction Day (FID)?
 - Teachers are available through email on the FIDs
 - Send this information now to all families to help prepare for if/when there is a FID.
 - Send this information through email
 - Add the same info to website, put a note on the main page
 - On FIDs, send email to parents and include the link to the tech page
 - What does that look like at BAMS?
 - Asynchronous; teachers are available via email throughout the day
 - Resources for parents regarding technology and Google Classroom
 - <https://www.basd.net/>
 - Google Classroom parent stuff - is there a way to invite parents for a particular student, can that be part of the process at the start of the year?
 - We will look into this option and share what we find.

- Skills, Tutorial, Activity Period, Free Time - What are these?
 - Skills - Extra time for enrichment and intervention
 - Tutorial - Study Hall and/or rehearsal time for band, choir, orchestra; a great time for students to visit teachers for help on assignments
 - Activity Period - What is this? Put this on the website.
 - Free Time - Time built in to the day for students to have some freedom and a break in the day

- Future Topics of Discussion
 - School-Wide Positive Behavior Support Program
 - Parent group and involvement with students and for faculty/staff, whole community, overall involvement
 - How are books chosen? Curriculum? Materials for classes.

- Next Meeting Date: Wednesday, December 1, 2021, 8:00 - 9:00 am