

West Street School

Compact Committee

10-27-10 Meeting Minutes

Attendance:

- Lillian E. Torres
- Samantha Mitchell
- Isabela Santiago
- Hilda Vasquez
- Gail Berkowitz

Compact Goal Setting:

1. Increase parental involvement throughout the entire school community.

After some discussion, we decided that we would only focus on this goal because our parent involvement has decreased.

Activities to promote parental involvement:

Saturday November 13, 2010 - Family Health Expo

The PTA is in the process of organizing a gently used clothing/coat sale. Compact would like to use that day to inform parents about different childhood illnesses as well as involve community health programs

- Asthma & allergies- Denise R. & Hilda V.
- Diabetes-Denise R.
- Eczema-Denise R.
- Nutrition-Rachel W.
- Weight Watchers-Hilda V.
- Zumba Instructor- Hilda V.
- Dentist- Isabela S.
- Orange County Wellness Program
- Affinty-Samantha M.
- Acupuncture-Samantha M.

December 4, 2010- Applebee's Pancake Day

This is a PTA sponsored event that was held successfully last year.

December 8, 2010- Homework Help Night / Dual Language Meeting

Gail B. suggested this. There will be a presentation on the importance of h.w. as well as how to prepare a good learning environment at home. Students will bring their homework to school and teachers from each grade will be present to show parents what their expectations are. There will also be a presentation on the NYS assessments and how to prepare their children for them. After h.w. help, there will be a brief meeting for dual language parents to discuss progress and concerns.

Spotlight on Literacy

January 13, 2011 - Grades 4-5

February 23, 2011 - Grades 2-3

March 23, 2011 - Grades k-1

Each grade will do a literacy project (i.e. author study, genre study, interdisciplinary unit, etc) to present to students and parents. Students will be presenters. They will explain what they did and how and what they learned in the process.

February 11, 2011 – Friendship Dance

In lieu of a Valentine's Day dance...Friendship Masquerade Ball. All students will make their own masks in class.

April 13, 2011-Assessment Presentation

More details to follow

May 25, 2011- Mother's Day Glamour Night

Moms and kids will dress up in their Sunday best. Volunteers to do make-up, paint nails and have a fashion show.

June 15, 2011 – Movie Night

Geared for father and children, families will watch a movie and enjoy popped corn and juice.

Compact will meet briefly next week to discuss status of Health Expo presentations.