**WMS Site Council Meeting**

**11/20/2024**

**2:45-3:45**

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**MINUTES**

Present: Brian Curley, Principal; Rachel Baxter, AP; other attendees not listed

* Vocal Survey
	+ Goes back 10 years ago
	+ Views of Climate and Learning Survey
		- All 8th graders: once they finish Science MCAS, they have to answer questions about the climate of the school
		- Engagement, safety, environment
		- From year to year, the questions are usually the same
		- Select student groups:
			* Information pulled from student information system to identify which student groups they are in
			* Breaks down the scoring for each group
		- Scaled scores based on favorable responses
			* Overall school score= 3 categories averaged in
			* Anytime 2-4 points or even more above the state= positive
			* All of our high needs groups, compared to most schools, are feeling comfortable in these 3 areas
			* We are above the state average
			* Looked at scores compared to Winchester, Woburn and Lexington, we were comparable
			* Out of 124 kids, they averaged out what the kids said and that is how they got some of the scores
* Compared to Spring 2023
	+ We increased in all areas (great progress)
	+ Culture of the building last year was positive
	+ Last year was the best it's been for MCAS and for the Vocal Survey

* Thoughts on Survey Results?
	+ Consistency of staff
	+ Dynamics of students in the grade
	+ Maturity and independence in 8th grade compared to 6th and 7th
	+ 7th grade is a challenging year for students
		- Relationships
		- Emotional challenges
	+ Cohorts?
		- 5th grade MCAS scores: Kirby and Carsley look at this data
		- S3 Academy: Whole Child Review
		- Look at what the reviews give us for data to determine interventions (i.e. Ice Block)
* Strategies to increase engagement with ML families/ML Support
	+ Lions Bridge: Interpretation services - would this be possible to contract with at WMS?
	+ 7th grade Piolet: ML Science and Ice Block
	+ Features on PowerSchool?
	+ Need to be creative
* Next Meeting (January 22nd)
	+ Review goals
	+ Goal around increasing ML engagement

Meeting Adjourned: 3:47

 Minutes taken by Rachel Baxter