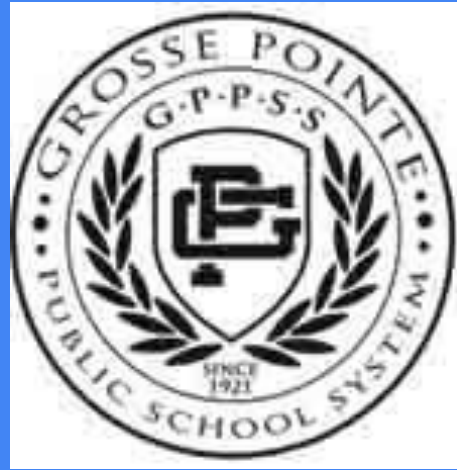


Early Childhood Advisory Committee

September 13, 2021



ECC Planning

Action Point:

- Review generalizations regarding tuition based early childhood programming
- Identify scenarios for programming through decision making protocols
- Provide findings and recommendations to BOE

Standards of Excellence:

- High quality preschool program options that are self-sustainable

Timeline:

- September 13, 2021-Brief ECC planning presentation to the BOE
- September 14, 2021-First meeting 5-7pm
- September 21, 2021-Second meeting 5-7pm
- October 5, 2021-Final Meeting 5-7pm
- October 11, 2021-Presentation to the BOE



ECC Committee Members

Preschool Staff/Teachers

Kindergarten/Y5 Teachers

Parents

Administration

BOE Members



Brief History of Program

We are licensed to care for children between the ages of 6 weeks-5 years. Our early childhood program first opened in 2009-10 at Barnes with one full day classroom serving 2.5-5 year olds. Since then we have grown the program to now include 15 classrooms throughout the district. We offer full day and half day programming in five buildings.

Current Classroom Transition Plan

Classroom	Location	Age (approx.)
Infant	Barnes	6 wks-12 months
Toddler 1	Barnes	12 months-2 yrs.
Toddler 2	Barnes	2-3 years
Preschool Prep	Barnes, Trombly	Young 3s
Preschool	Barnes (2), Trombly (2)	3-4 years
Pre-K	Richard, Monteith, Trombly	4-5 years
Half-Day Preschool	Ferry, Richard	3-4 years T TH
Half-Day Pre-K	Ferry, Richard	4-5 years M W F

Current Staffing Shortage

- Since June 2021 we happily welcomed 16 new staff members to the preschool program.
- We are still looking for 6 staff members to complete our team, these positions range from full time to part time assistant teacher, caregivers and substitute staff.
- In addition, to run our Pre-K programs until 6pm we also rely on Kids Club to be fully staffed at Monteith and Richard.
- The temporary solution to maintain state ratios is to shorten our hours from 7:15 am-6 pm to 7:15 am-4:30pm

Considerations for Review

- Overview of current programming
 - SWOT Analysis
 - Facilities/Programming
 - Budget/Curriculum/Materials
 - Enrollment/Marketing
 - Staffing/Hire/Retention



THANK YOU!

Looking forward to committee work ahead:

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