

South Fayette Middle School

Parent Advisory Council

October 13, 2021

Agenda and Introductions

- ★ Teaming and Team Names
 - Mr. Taylor, Mrs. Hoffman, Mrs. Beinecke
- **★** Canvas
 - Mrs. Harris
- Advisory, YouUplift, Schools to Watch, Attendance, Supports, Social Media, Upcoming Events
 - Dr. Maurer and Dr. Crimone
- \star Sign in form in the chat

Teaming at the Middle School



<u>Canvas</u>

7th Grade ELA/History teacher and Canvas Teacher
Leader, Mrs. Stephanie Harris, will be providing us with a
live overview of Canvas so that you know that most
common go-tos and areas in order to support your child.

- Using the <u>Canvas Parent App</u> Overview
- Canvas Parent Observer Guides
- Canvas App vs. Browser Guide

Advisory

- ★ Importance of School Connectedness/Advisory--
- ★ Steps toward reinstatement
 - Teacher input
 - Student input (current 9th and 10th grade student survey)
 - Advisory committee
 - <u>Teacher slideshow</u>
 - Student selection of advisor
 - Advisory sessions begin

YouUplift Platform

- A platform for students, teachers, and parents to send a positive message or shoutout to a friend, peer, teacher, staff member, or to the entire South Fayette Middle School Community.
- Anyone wishing to send a message can use this link to submit a positive message:
 tinyurl.com/sfmskind
- This link can be used to view the showcase of positive messages: tinyurl.com/kindsfms

Schools to Watch

- ★ Redesignation application submitted last Friday
- ★ Self-study to focus on what makes a great middle school
 - Academic Excellence
 - Developmental Responsiveness
 - Social Equity
 - Organization and Structure
 - Demographics and Characteristics
 - Test scores, attendance rates, discipline records
 - Programmatic Information
 - Schedules, departments, courses, interventions, special programs for ELL and IEP students
 - School Climate and Culture

Attendance

- Daily Health Assessment
- Reporting absences to the nurse
- ☐ Virtual Access (VTL)
- Quarantine
- Return to School Checklist
- ☐ Best Practice Contact Our Misty Menarcheck, School Nurse
 - ☐ mlmenarcheck@southfayette.org

Available Resources for Students

- School Counselors
 - Mrs. Justina Perrott (A-G)
 - jrperrott@southfayette.org
 - 412-221-4542 x 605
 - Ms. Taylor Connors (H-O)
 - tfconnors@southfayette.org
 - 412-221-4542 x 239
 - Mr. Michael Perrott (P-Z)
 - maperrott@southfayette.org
 - 412-221-4542 x 219

- School Social Worker
 - Mr. Tanner Jones
 - tbjones@southfayette.org
 - 12-221-4542 x 425

*School-based Mental Health Services are available (Third-party and processed through your insurance)

SocialHUB



Twitter_@SFMSLions #SFMSLionPride--Middle School hashtag #SFLionPride--District hashtag



Instagram @sfmslions
#sfmslionpride



School Website

Upcoming Events

- October 18--2 hour late start
- October 22--Halloween Dance
- October 27--PASS survey given in social studies classes
- October 28--End of First Nine Weeks
- October 29--No School for Students
- November 3--Picture Retakes
- November 1-5-Book Fair
- November 5--Report cards available on PowerSchool
- November 11-15--Student-led parent-teacher conferences

Next Virtual Parent Advisory Council Meeting:

Wednesday, January 12, 2022 at 12:00PM

