

Elementary School Counseling Curriculum Committee Meeting Minutes

June 5, 2023, 2:00 PM - MST

Location: Xavier Charter School Library

Committee Attendance: Megan Choate, Kelsie Rogers, Rene Robbins, Tami Ditlefsen, Lindsay

Hughes, Tyler Norris, Melanie Permann, Cassie Chapman

Community Attendance: Ahnna Brossy

- I. Call to Order
- II. Committee Roll Call

III. Review of Curriculum Map/Curricular Information

The committee members and meeting attendees were provided with a packet of information that included the curriculum map and sample classroom handouts to share the curriculum/classroom lessons that have been created. The counselors recommended adding the curriculum into the fine art rotation for each classroom.

IV. Questions

Melanie Permann asked about additional resources to supplement parent teaching/support at home. The counselors talked about their plan to incorporate an online parent resource that supports and outlines what the kids would be learning each month in the classroom.

Cassie Chapman asked how this curriculum will support both neurotypical and neurodivergent students. The counselors stated that this curriculum is geared toward classroom use, but will allow for additional time and resources to support students who may need extra assistance due to neurodiversity.

Lindsay Hughes stated that finding the balance with self-esteem (don't go too far into shame or the other direction into pride) will be important for the sections on self-esteem.

Renee Robbins stated that this will be a good supplement for the character club program.

Lindsay Hughes and Melanie Permann suggested the potential of adding once per month evening parenting lessons to review what kids are learning in the classroom lessons. The counselors agreed and stated that they would evaluate availability if the board approves the curriculum proposal.

V. Vote on Curriculum

The committee unanimously voted in favor of recommending the proposed Elementary Counseling Curriculum plan to the school board to be added/incorporated into the once a week fine art rotation.