

2010-2011 PTF Meeting Minutes

November 19, 2010

Devotion

- Denise Paulson led us in the devotion.

Principal's Report – Steve Kennedy

- Spanish teacher Leslie Peter yesterday informed me that she will be leaving BCS, after several weeks of illness. Leslie also would like me to announce that she is pregnant and due in late spring. Your prayers for her health and the health of her baby would be much appreciated.
- Congratulations to Sue VerGowe, who has been chosen as new coordinator for the BCS Summer-Extended Day Care Program! Sue will do an outstanding job in this new position, but will also be continuing one day a week as Office Manager here for the remainder of the school year. I will be working to find the best possible person to serve as Office Manager four days a week.
- IOWA Test Scores – Composite School Norms Fall 2010. This week, if your student(s) are in 4th-6th grade, you should receive a copy in the mail about how your child did on this assessment. In addition, we received a report this week on how our school did, compared to other schools in the nation who took the test. Composite means the total of all subject scores, including math, language, reading, science, etc.

6th grade Composite: 90th percentile

5th grade Composite: 95th percentile

4th grade Composite: 99th percentile

3rd grade Composite: 96th percentile

These results are very positive and encouraging, and I look forward to working with teachers and parents on how to best use them to further challenge or support individual students.

- NOTE re: “Local Norms/PR” – this element on the IOWA is not fully explained on the student report. While National Norms compare your child’s performance all students who took the test, “Local” Norms compare your child’s performance to other Bellevue Christian School students at the same grade level.

“Local” means Bellevue Christian School. As a rule, the local percentile ranking will be lower than the national percentile ranking. That is because Bellevue Christian School students are performing at levels higher than the average school’s students. For example, a student may have scored in the 90th percentile on national norms but only in the 80th percentile on local norms for reading comprehension. That means that they scored better than 80% of the Bellevue Christian students at their grade level on that portion of the test.

- Admissions – we are seeing a significant increase in admissions activities, such as tours, student visits, and applications for this year and next. That’s good news. In addition, we will be saying goodbye to many of our JLS Korean students after Christmas. We have an opportunity to welcome one or two more starting in January until March, if a Three Points family would be willing to host a student. Please let me know if you are interested in hosting a student during this time.
- Parent Survey – look for this to be coming via email to you between Thanksgiving and Christmas. Your helpful input is important to our continuous improvement as a school!

[Student Activities – Kyla and Stephanie](#)

- No report

[Family and Faculty – Carol and MaryBeth](#)

- Monday 11/22 Teacher Lunch – Pam Eng is handling this.
- Moms in Touch – there will no longer be a Moms in Touch program at Three Points for lack of a leader.

[Parent Activities – Karen and Suzanne](#)

- Talent Show – There is a parent who would like to coordinate a school talent show this spring. Karen/Julie will meet with Steve to see if this is a possibility.

[Treasurer Report – Brittany](#)

- No treasurers report

[Grade Reps](#)

- Grade Level Teas – the 1st grade tea has been scheduled

Miscellaneous Items

- MaryBeth Johnston suggested that we do more to promote parent attendance at chapel. Amy Sirich will speak with Tristen about how to do this more effectively.

Next Meeting

- December 10 – Christmas social in the MPR