

**Ted Lenart Regional Gifted Center
Local School Council
Principal's Report – October 2014
Meeting: October 18, 2014 10:00 a.m.**

Mission: The mission of Lenart School is to provide an engaging, differentiated, and holistic educational environment for all students. Our mission includes preparing students for rigorous, collaborative, innovative instruction to enhance global skills and best practices. Teachers are committed to building character, developing the unique giftedness of each child, and to partner with all stakeholders to produce nurturing diverse life-long learners.

School Leadership

- Met with teachers during Grade Level Cluster Meetings to work towards school goals. (Meeting Agendas and notes available in binders in office)
- Met with school's Behavioral Health Team to discuss tier 1 supports for Social Emotional Learning (SEL)
- Facilitated Monthly Flex Day Professional Development for staff to map out current curriculum for vertical alignment
- Instructional Leadership Team meet bi-monthly on Mondays
- Invited teachers to attend Teacher Orientation Facilitator Training and to facilitate entire Teacher Orientation Training to staff

Instructional Leadership

- Attended monthly Network 11 Principal's Professional Development
- Weekly Grade Level Meetings for professional learning communities to review student work and develop lessons together
- Observed instruction and provided face-to-face and written feedback to teachers. Completed 2 formal observations.
- Oversaw administration of REACH performance tasks
- Administered screeners for preK, K, and other students identified with additional home language

Student-Centered Learning Climate

- PBIS store opened
- Implements policies and procedures through implementation of staff handbook
- Student Council established
- National Junior Honor's Society activities have started
- Student of the Month breakfast to recognize students that demonstrate the trait Respect
- Boys Soccer, Cross Country teams
- Beginning Band, Advanced Band, and Jazz Band rehearsals underway

- 7th and 8th grade “Lock-Ins” to provide families with information regarding high schools
- High school Fair with over 30 schools in attendance

Professional Development and Human Resources Management

- Posted K-8 Latin position on CPS HR website, Teachers of Latin and Classics, Société Internationale des Amis de Cicéron and Latin Teachers Listserv to identify potential candidates (2 resumes received, 0 candidates qualified)
- Invited LSC and teachers to teacher interviews
- Met with Leadership Coach
- Participation in ½ -Day principal CCSS Institute
- Participation in Gifted Education Seminar to obtain necessary 30 hours toward Gifted Education Endorsement
- Continued partnership with Office of Gifted to provide teachers with ongoing instructional and planning support (effective strategies for gifted learning, differentiation)

Parent Involvement and Community Partnership

- Annual Walk-A-Thon
- Participation in school partnership to provide students and staff with Tier-2 behavioral supports. Formation of a Behavior Health Team with partnership with clinician to support peace circles and other restorative justice practices.
- Back to School Curriculum Night on Thursday, September 25 at 5:30 p.m.
- Expectation for teachers to update websites weekly with homework and announcements
- Weekly email update to parents provided on Fridays
- Parent led Garden Club

School Management and Daily Operations

- Meet regularly with school engineer (shared with Westcott School)
- Completes reports and required emails to Central Office in a timely manner
- Fee Waiver completion rate currently 100%
- Medical Compliance currently 93%
- Weekly staff updates provided on Sundays
- Copy of all flyers and communication available in Binder in office