English Learners
Parent Advisory Council

EL-PAC

Wednesday, October 16, 2019
WELCOME

Parents and Schools as Partners
EL-PAC Meeting Agenda

I. Welcome/Introductions
II. DESE EL-PAC Requirement for Districts
III. 2019-20 Meeting Calendar
IV. Icebreaker Activity
V. Breakout Groups: Recipe for Successful Students
VI. Next Meeting: January 22, 2020
WHO?

- PARENTS
- TEACHERS
- ADMINISTRATORS
WHY?

• To increase communication between Westfield Public Schools and home
• To become part of the school community
• To support your child in social and academic growth
• To share your culture and expertise
• To help us make beneficial changes to improve the EL Program
• To increase opportunities for the school and children
• To lead by example
WHEN?

3 Times This School Year:
October 16, 2019
January 22, 2020
April 1, 2020
WHAT?

Engage families and foster a welcoming culture

Build effective communication

Empower families as partners

Promote cultural competency

Involve families in decision-making
You must be the change you wish to see in the world

"Be the change you wish to see in the world."

~Mahatma Gandhi
Introductions

(English) Hello! My name is _____. (English)

(Arabic) مرحباً اسمي محمد مصطفى البياتي ""

(Nepali) नमस्ते! मेरो नाम ______________ हो |

(Spanish) Hola! Mi nombre es ____.

(Russian) Здравствуйте. Меня зовут ______.
Parents and Schools as Partners

• Be active and involved with schools
  • Open House
  • Parent/Teacher Conferences
  • Concerts
  • Picnics

• Contact schools and teachers with questions/concerns

• Join the Parent Teacher Organizations (PTOs) and other school councils

• Join Volunteers In Public Schools (VIPS)
Recipe for Successful Students

- Good Attendance
- Follow Classroom Rules
- Communication
- Participation – Active Learners
- Manage Time
- Driven By Goals
- Enthusiasm
## 2019-20 English Learner Education Department

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Next EL-PAC Meeting – January 22, 2020

• Understanding State Assessments
  • MCAS and ACCESS
  • Testing Schedule
  • Test-taking Strategies
  • Parent/Guardian Reports – Assessment Results
Any Questions?
Thank you for coming!