



**Fernbank Elementary School
Principal Advisory Council**

**Meeting Agenda
August 22, 2024**

Time: 3:00 PM

Location: <https://emory.zoom.us/j/94391601198>

Present:

Dee Dee Westbrook

Alison Eber

Christina Heda

Kristina Johnson

Jeff Oliver

Martina Stanley

Khalia Williams

Michael Neel

Denisha Solomon

Aaronlyn Wright

I. Approval of Agenda

Approved by voice vote.

II. PAC Items

a. PAC Members

i. Curriculum Night Coverage

Kristina Johnson will do Wednesday and Khalia Williams Thursday night.

b. PAC Elections – Sep. 6 deadline to apply

Encourage other people to apply.

Jeff requested that we let people know the time of the meeting prior to volunteering.

c. Student Assignment Project Committee

Lots of parents are asking about the student assignment project committee invitation. Fernbank is growing and it would be helpful to know the plan so that there is awareness as the process unfolds. If people are interested, please refer them to the following: <https://www.dekalbschoolsga.org/sap/>

We will invite a committee member to keep PAC updated.

III. Principal's Report

a. Student Counts

Currently 892 (minus 60 Pre-K) students on board but may have less than that. Will be looking at allocations as the numbers are clear.

b. Teacher Staffing Updates

Pre-K teachers don't count for staffing numbers.

c. Facility Work Order Status

Music room is hot and requires attention. There are a few other classrooms that are running hot. Media Center has no mildew and waiting for attention from county to resolve any problems. Third floor AC unit is leaking. It is a hazard and the tiles are collapsing because of the moisture.

IV. Students and Teachers

a. Fall MAP Testing Update

County adjusted testing calendar – 2 week window ends this Friday.

Currently at 90% testing and will get everyone finished by end of day tomorrow.

There is a new MAP test called MAP reading fluency – 20-30m part of dyslexia screener including oral reading component and the system will grade automatically.

The exam is mandatory for k-3 and some 4-5 graders will take it.

Does not cut into instructional time – going to do it during computer time.

Would like to work it out so that testing does not happen in the first 2 weeks of school. Parents who have feedback about their children's experience testing early in the school year can send emails to principal wright. Allison will draft something on behalf of PAC.

V. PTA and Foundation Updates

This is the final 23-24 meeting of PAC.

VI. Good of the Order

VII. Next Meeting Date: Proposed Date: Sep. 26, 2024 at 3PM

If we need to change the date for the sake of PAC elections, we will make that change in September.