



TROTWOOD-MADISON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Trotwood-Madison City Schools Town Hall Meeting- District Report Card Frequently Asked Questions

1. **In reference to the third grade guarantee, if my child is not off track, how do I know he or she is still being challenged?**

The district has adopted a new instructional framework that focuses on challenging and reaching every child. Teachers are required to provide differentiated instruction that is aligned to meet all student's needs. Students who are identified as advanced or gifted are also placed in cluster classrooms where specific strategies are used to ensure academic growth for all children. If you have a concern regarding the level of work being provided to your child, please don't hesitate to meet with your child's teacher and or principal.

2. **What is an AP class?**

AP stands for Advanced Placement. These courses are offered at the high school level and allow students to earn college credit if they obtain the minimum score on the Advanced Placement Assessment at the end of the course. These courses are also strongly recommended for students who are interested in attending top tier universities. We are excited about increasing these course offerings at our high school.

3. **What supports are in place to motivate students?**

It is the goal of the district to provide students with work that is engaging and meaningful to all students. Teachers are held accountable for providing instruction that is aligned to state standards and provides students to opportunity to develop strong collaborative skills, critical thinking, reasoning and project based learning experiences. The district has also invested and is committed to providing Unified Arts in grades K-12, allowing students interested in music, drama, and the visual arts to further develop these skills and interest. Another way we are attempting to help motivate all learners is through various before and after school intervention and enrichment experiences.

4. **Is the district considering not requiring uniforms?**

Currently the high school is the only school in the district that does not require uniforms. Two years ago the parents were provided a survey asking for feedback on whether or not they wanted to continue the uniform policy for K-8 students. Approximately 80% of the responses were in agreement with keeping uniforms. At this time there is no decision being made regarding changing the uniform policy. However, if it does become a consideration, there will be several parent meetings and focus groups prior to making any changes.

5. **What can parents do to help move the needle?**

Parent involvement is key to helping the district move the needle. We would ask parents to continue to come to district events, such as the parent engagement meetings to learn more about the district and the plans for improvement. Closely monitor your child's progress through communication with your teacher and the progress book grading system. Join your schools parent organization and hold us accountable to excellence. Let us know if something is not right or something needs to improve. We need all voices at the table.

6. What are some good things happening in the district and what is happening in the classroom to improve learning?

The district has many examples of good things happening. Listed below are a few examples of good things happening:

- *We have a new updated website and Facebook page that scrolls positive things happening everyday*
- *Trotwood has an Underwater Robotics team that hosted the regions first "Sea Perch," Competition this summer.*
- *100% of our Marching band seniors earned music scholarships three years in a row*
- *Madison Park Elementary School has earned the National Title One School of Excellence Award and the Ohio's schools of Promise award*
- *Westbrooke Village has a restorative justice program and Boys Mentoring Program that has been featured at several state conferences*
- *Trotwood- Madison City Schools had 7 winners out of 9 at the most recent Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Regional Poetry and Prose competition*

7. What is happening different in the classroom to improve learning?

We have adopted a new Instructional Framework that focuses on a Culture of Thinking, Positive relationships, Engagement and Enjoyment and Organization, Rules and Procedures. Students are expected to be challenged and engaged in meaningful work each day. Principals spend 80% of their day in classrooms monitoring instruction and providing feedback. Teachers are also required to administer common short cycle assessments weekly to monitor the progress of each child.