



**District  
Parent Council**



**Auburn**  
Enlarged City School District

**District Parent Council Agenda  
February, Monday 5th  
6:30-7:30 p.m.  
Board Room at Harriet Tubman Administration Building**

**DPC Mission Statement**

*The District Parent Council in partnership with the Auburn Enlarged City School District will act as a forum for communication and support between members of the school community in order to benefit all students.*

**AECSD Mission Statement**

*The mission of the Auburn Enlarged City School District is to develop citizens that are capable of meeting the challenges of their future by providing equitable, fiscally sound educational opportunities necessary to develop confident life-long learners.*

<p><b>Topics:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Breaking Up Family Engagement Plan</li> <li>● Re-Branding DPC</li> <li>● Survey Creation</li> <li>● DPC Format</li> </ul>		<p><b>Attendees:</b> Alyssa Lawton, Kevin Lawton, Christina Selvek, Seth Jensen, Renee Jensen, Erin Krell, Kristan Sheppard, Jeff Pirrozoleo, Sarah Cupelli, Amy Mahunik, Chris Sciria, Ian Phillips, Renata Mandy</p> <p><b>Chairperson:</b> Noel Romeo  <b>First Vice Chair:</b> MaryBeth Leeson  <b>Second Vice Chair:</b> Joseph Sheppard (absent)  <b>Secretary:</b> Christine Siddall</p>
<p><b>Meeting Objectives:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>Discuss/Share</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ <b>Review &amp; Discuss:</b> DPC Format, Family Engagement Plan</li> <li>❖ <b>Share, Discuss, &amp; Decide:</b> Parent Survey, DPC “Branding”</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		
<p><b>Schedule</b></p>		
<b>Time</b>	<b>Minutes</b>	<b>Activity/Tasks</b>
6:30-6:35	5 mins	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Review of Minutes and DPC Format</li> </ul> <p>Introductions were made. Location of Minutes on the District Website was shared and minutes from February were reviewed. Officer roles and format of meeting were concerned.</p>
6:35-6:45	10 mins	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Parent Concerns</li> </ul>



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		<p>A parent of a junior high student shared her concerns about the safety of the students at the junior high school. She shared this data: From 2021 to this year (2024) the number of times the police department was called to the junior high increased 100 percent. Fights increased 150 percent.</p> <p>The increase in violence is something that is being addressed but consequences have not been a deterrent. Jeff had Dave make an announcement that anyone who fought would go automatically to a superintendent's hearing and be out for a minimum of 30 days. This has made no difference. It was shared by another parent that staff is allowing phone use with teachers encouraging the use of tik toks. The students are finding ways to use social media apps on school computers. A junior high parent asked if there was consistent communication to parents when there are lockouts or lockdowns; it was asked if parent communication could also be given for shelter in place.</p> <p>It was asked that the plan to address violence at the junior high would be addressed at the next month's meeting and the effect of the plan that will be put in place shortly.</p> <p>Another junior high parent brought concerns about the behavior of students in classes which is taking away from the education of other students. The disrespect for adults by students is affecting all students in the classroom.</p> <p>Another parent asked about an eighth grade trip and why it went away. The AJH PTO is working on something. How the trip or activity would be funded was also discussed.</p> <p>It was suggested that there be a standard of behavior for students in the district, similar to "The Laker Way" practice that is done in Skaneateles. Another suggestion would be the implementation of mentoring programs.</p> <p>Ian asked if the phones were being allowed at the junior high. There seems to be divided opinion if they were. Ian asked if it was possible to bring back Maroon recognition spotlights that were done in the past on social media.</p> <p>Jeff will bring Mr. Oliver to the next meeting to give an update. In addition the rest of items that were not discussed tonight.</p>
6:45-6:55	10 mins	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Superintendent Report</li></ul>



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6:55-7:20	25 mins	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Break Up of Family Engagement Plan</li><li>● Survey Creation</li></ul>
7:20-7:30	10 mins	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● DPC Branding</li><li>● Set topic for March</li></ul>

**The next DPC Meeting will be on Monday March 11th at 6:30.**