

PAC Meeting Battlefield High School

May 18, 2021

1. Input on PAC format and topics for 2021-2022 school year
Mrs. Gruninger compiled responses from survey to PAC members and shared list of suggested topics for next year. The PAC board members will meet with Mr. Ferrera in August to outline discussion topics. A few of the topics were discussed tonight - Activities for the class of 2022, health and wellness, Academic Booster Club, outreach (social media, and town halls), evaluation of finals process, transparency of PAC.
2. Proposed plan for returning to the building next year
Based on Dr. Walts' presentation from 5/5/21, SB1303 from the General Assembly mandates 5-day full time, in person education, following mitigation to the greatest extent possible. Virtual option must be provided if the pandemic is in effect. In Fairfax County, students must apply and show medical exemption for virtual learning. Prince William hasn't taken this stance. Many courses are not available virtually (music, hands on labs, etc.). There will be no concurrent instruction. Virtual will utilize Virtual Prince William and Virtual Virginia programs. As of 5/18/21, 85% want to come back. Of the remaining, 40% wish to come back if vaccinated. The school day will be 7:30am - 1:40pm. Battlefield's challenge is lunch time. More information on masks will be forthcoming.
3. Virginia LEARNS document A team of educators from across Virginia have been working to create a road map document to assist with returning to school buildings in the fall. This document is available online. The PAC noted the following focus areas:
 - Will laptops be available to students?
 - Use of CANVAS vs. more traditional classroom techniques
 - Use of paper and textbooks
 - At what point will we know what 2021-2022 will look like for students?
 - Will there be changes to course offerings?
4. Open Share/Other Business
 - First meeting for next school year will be held in late August.
 - Battlefield will be losing approximately 400 students with the opening of Gainesville HS.
 - We will revisit the Continuous Improvement Plan (CIP) moving forward.