

Paint Branch Cluster Report September - October 2018

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Cluster Area Activities

- 9/21: Emailed PTAs link to Fall Training presentations and handouts
- 9/21: Shared NAACP Youth Council event info
- 9/22: Greeted elected leaders and candidates at "Burtonsville Day" parade and had tables at the Burtonsville Day festival
- 10/3: Introductory conference call with OSSI Director Brian Scriven (Tracie, Brian and Blake CC Maggie Conley)
 - Discussed: High administrative turnover at Banneker and Greencastle; teacher retention and morale; and enrollment forecasting for better hiring
- 10/8: Emailed Family engagement resources to PTA leaders
- 10/9: Cluster Coordinators planning meeting
- Pending: Coordinating testimony with Cedar Ridge church, advocating for PB cluster after school programs
- Pending: Planning 1st cluster meeting to introduce cluster team and discuss CIP needs and strategy
Discussing possible consortium boundary study with AVP and MCCPTA

School/PTA-specific activities

Paint Branch High School: Conducted "PTA Basics" presentation and Q&A. Approximately 30 parent attended. Lack of consistent communication is a key concern. Consulting with existing officers to organize Oct. 16 meeting/elections. Suggested and solicited Principal Myriam Yarbrough for a "State of the School" presentation/Q&A. Recruiting officers, urging dynamic/frequent communication and follow up. Recruited members and provided National PTA membership fliers for 9/18 Back to School Night and 10/3 Open House PTSA tables. Informed president and treasurer of several outstanding SOCA tax documents. Met with local business for possible fundraiser.

Benjamin Banneker Middle School: Monitoring and clearing SOCA issues with MDPTA. Met with former PTA President. Wrote introduction for PTSA group in "Burtonsville Day" parade.

Maintaining regular contact to support new president and Executive Committee. Connected new Delegates to e-list, Bluebook, Delegates Guidebook and other resources. Met and exchanged contact info with roof replacement project manager on Oct. 1. This CIP project should be done by mid-October.

Briggs Chaney Middle School: Maintaining regular contact with new president. First meeting focusing on teens and cell phone use. Promoting 10/16 fundraiser night and shoe drive throughout the cluster.

Galway Elementary: Attended 10/9 PTA meeting to facilitate discussion of membership, MCCPTA and family engagement.

Cloverly Elementary: Monitoring and clearing SOCA issues with MDPTA. Shared good news with MCCPTA e-lists! Cloverly won a \$1,000 National PTA STEM + Families Science Festival grant!

Greencastle Elementary: Monitoring and cleared SOCA issues with MDPTA. Greencastle is compliant as of 9/21.

Burtonsville Elementary: Attended and supported the PTA booth at Meadow Farms “Pink Day” on October 6. Successfully advocated for a seventh kindergarten teacher to deal with the surge in enrollment. Providing support