

Sierra House Partnership Meeting held on Monday October 7, 2019

Meeting was held in the Sierra Atrium from 12:00 pm-1:00 pm

Welcome-Gemorial Johnson, Sierra Director

Thanked those in attendance for coming.

Transition-Update

- Received a lot of good feedback regarding transitions being smoother this year.
- Parents approved of the shorter transition as well as how teachers prepped their children for the transition.

Curriculum Night

- We noticed how excited and engaged parents were while interacting and participating in the teacher led hands-on/interactive activities. These interactive activities appeared to promote more engagement than the PowerPoint presentation.
- We are now assessing changes we can make for Curriculum Night 2020.
 - Parents suggested having an agenda informing parents of how Curriculum Night should flow. Some were not aware of the PowerPoint presentation that was to follow the teacher's hands-on/interactive activities.
 - Parents also suggested doing the PowerPoint presentation in the beginning and then have teachers conduct their lessons.

Family Conferences

- Family Conferences are a time when parents can speak to their child's teacher about the child's progress and/or any other concerns the teacher or parent may have to communicate or share.
- Conferences were previously scheduled around Thanksgiving, but have changed so that teachers are able to be with their family for the holidays.
- Now the conferences are before Thanksgiving and 3 months after transitions.
 The Administrative team is aware that some parents may feel that these conferences are too soon after transition, which is why it is optional.

• Family Conferences are taking place this week, October 7th to 11th; please email jcccparentconference@gmail.com to schedule a conference with your child's teacher.

NAEYC Re-Accreditation- Process Overview

- NAEYC Accreditation is awarded to childcare centers that successfully and continuously meet the standards put forth by the National Association for the Education of Young Children. The JCCC has been NAEYC accredited since 2001.
- We submitted our Annual Report October 30th and are awaiting our receipt.
 Once we receive it, we can be expecting a visit any time after that.
- NAEYC Accreditations are valid for 5 years.
- For more information about NAEYC Accreditation, please check out the following website: www.naeyc.org/accreditation/early-learning/benefits.

Center Events

- Parent 2020 calendar will be submitted by the end of October.
- Things will look different now that the Treehouse is open. We are currently looking at how the Fall Festival will look for next year, unfortunately, we will not have a Fall Festival this year.
- Mr. Gemorial informed parents that we will continue to have more family events now that we are no longer under construction.