

# COLES ADVISORY COUNCIL

Location: Coles Conference Room

Date: 2/19/24

Time: 5 PM

## Meeting Notes

In attendance: Ms. Zezzo, Mrs. Mainwaring, Ms. Ferrufino, Mrs. Conway, Ms. Straight, Mrs. Drzewucki, Mrs. Jacoby, Mr. Douglas, Ms. Desjardin

### Superintendent Advisory Council Update

Shared how PWCS has partnered with Hazelton behavioral health to provide free mental health services offered in 19 languages. This is a new program to the Division.

Updated on increased compensation for staff salary for FY26 and FY27.

The Safe school's advisory council representative explained the mobile SOC (Security Operation Center) and believes that it will really help with safety and minimizing the impact of emergency situations.

### Budget/Staffing Overview

Shared initial FY26 budget has been provided to Administration. This will be reviewed at the March meeting. Looking to increase ESOL staffing for next year. Coles continues to look for temporary teacher assistants to support individuals and small groups.

Our teaching is making a positive impact! Our VALLS tutor coupled with strong phonics instruction has really helped students make gains in reading and writing.

We will be beginning Road Runner Academy after school to help support identified students in math and reading. Our budget covers teachers, buses, and snacks for the 9 weeks tutoring will run.

### Element System at Coles

Element and Critter Coin presentation with Ms. DesJardin and Mrs. Mainwaring

**Open share**

Next Meeting: March 19<sup>th</sup>