

Waukegan Public Schools

Community Unit School District No. 60 Lake County, Illinois

Dear Parents, Guardians, and Staff

We want to begin by thanking all of you who joined us for our Parent Teacher Advisory Committee (PTAC) meeting last week at Miguel Juarez Middle School. It was wonderful to share some of the work that our District is doing around restorative practices.

We will be meeting again on Thursday, February 27, and again encourage everyone's participation in our work. The PTAC is tasked with advising the Board of Education on discipline policies and implementation of discipline policies. Topics being addressed by the committee this year include: bullying, student appearance policy, school bus safety discipline, law enforcement information sharing, and the annual Parent/Student Handbook on Rights and Responsibilities.

You can choose how involved you would like to be. Participation is open to the public, and membership is open to all parents and staff who commit to participation. We generally meet once a month, on the third Thursday. This Thursday's meeting will begin at 6 p.m. at the Welcome Center, 742 W. Greenwood Avenue. During the meeting you can learn more about additional meetings of subcommittees, where we take the time to dig more deeply into the work of the PTAC.

Also, we want to let you all know that in the upcoming weeks we will be hosting Town Hall meetings where we hope to gather feedback regarding a number of issues that affect students, including School Resource Officers, discipline related to the student appearance policy, and about how the school serves the community. Dates and times of the Town hall meeting are as follows:

March 2 Welcome Center, 742 W. Greenwood Avenue at 11:30 a.m.
March 4 Miguel Juarez Middle School, 201 N. Butrick Avenue at 4 p.m.
March 9 Lyon Magnet Elementary School, 800 S. Elmwood Avenue at 6 p.m.
If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to us at PTAC@wps60.org.

Sincerely,

Dr. Charmaine Hillary and Mr. Nelson Campos Co-Chairs, PTAC Committee