

Steuart W. Weller Elementary School

PTO All Hands Meeting Minutes

November 18, 2021

Called to order by: Jenn Shelton and Bob Shelton, President(s), 8:00 AM

Meeting Venue: Due to COVID-19 restrictions implemented by state and local authorities, meeting is conducted virtually via Google Meets. <https://meet.google.com/krt-wrtj-mck>

Board Members in attendance: Jenn Shelton, Bob Shelton, Kasonya Blevins, Quan Tran, Carolina Pardo

General Membership in attendance count:

Open and Welcome – Jenn and Bob Shelton

- Thank you for joining
- Kick off meeting agenda
- Fundraising/Community Ideas:

Principal Julia for updates

- Enrollment projections have been projected
- 648 students- currently, down from pre-covid years
 - Typically we are closer to 800 kids
- We still have registrations coming in as families are relocating.
- The school district will be
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Community Liaison (Annie Nichols)

- Update on community needs and outreach
- 25/26 families right now that are in need.
- Gift card to purchase food and \$50 gift card to purchase gifts
- It will be posted on the Weller Care webpage
- Deadline to receive gift cards: Wednesday, December 8, 2021

For Thanksgiving

- 16 parents reached out for help

We encourage you to visit and support our signup. Weller Care <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4aaeae29aaf9c07-holiday>.

Kerry Flaherty & Joseph Livesay (AcademiesAdmissions@lcps.org) - Academies of Loudoun: STEM Magnet School

- You can begin applying in 8th grade
- It is a public high school in Loudoun County
- When to apply?

When to Apply



Academy of Engineering & Technology

- Apply in the fall of 8th grade
- 3 pathways

Academy of Science

- Apply in the fall of 8th grade
- 1 pathway

Advanced Academy of Engineering & Technology

- Apply in the winter of 10th Grade
- 2 pathways

MATA

- Apply in the winter of 9th, 10th or 11th grades
- 27 pathways

General Information:

- They will attend a home high school on one day and Academies of Loudoun on another day. Transportation is provided to the Academies of Loudoun

AET Engineering Pathway	
AET Courses-9 th Grade	Home HS Courses
MATH: AET Integrated Mathematics I (Algebra II/Trig and Math Analysis)	English Social Science Health & Physical Education World Language
SCI: AET Integrated Science I (Physics and Chemistry)	
CTE: AET Engineering Studies I	
AET Courses-10 th Grade	Home HS Courses
MATH: AET Integrated Mathematics II (Algebra II/Trig and Math Analysis)	English Social Science Health & Physical Education World Language
SCI: AET Integrated Science II (Physics and Chemistry)	
CTE: AET Engineering Studies II	
2 math (1 verified), 2 science (1 verified), 2 CTE credits (concentration sequence, satisfies Fine Arts or CTE credit)	2 English, 2 social science, 2 Health and PE, 2 World Language

**AET and
Home HS
Scheduling
(Engineering)**

Fall Admissions Cycle

- **AET Pathways**
- **Academy of Science (AOS) – Students apply in 8th grade**
 - Provides the opportunity to deeply engage in mathematics, science, and research.
 - All AOS courses are honors level courses and are “weighted” by adding 0.5 to the point value for the grade. AOS AP and Dual Enrollment courses are weighted at 1.0
 - AOS is a 4-year program

Big Takeaway


- Students have to be enrolled in Algebra I or above at the time of application

All applicants:

- Enrolled in Algebra I or above at the time of application
- Writing Assessment Score
- STEM Thinking Skills Assessment Score
- Final grade of C or above in math and science in grades 6 and 7 and Semester 1 of 8th grade

Winter Admissions Cycle

- **Apply in High School**

 <p>Current Advanced AET Admissions Criteria</p>	<h3>Advanced AET Admission Criteria</h3> <ul style="list-style-type: none">•Currently enrolled in Math Analysis•Successful completion of 2 science credits by the end of 10th grade (Research Earth Science and/or Research Biology and/or Research Chemistry are recommended)•Final grade of C or above in each course in grade 9 and grade of C or above in each course for Semester I of grade 10•PSAT scores (NMSQT)•Writing Assessment score
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1-year pathway options

Administration of Justice
Auto Collision Repair
Biotechnology
Building Construction
Certified Nurse Aide
CISCO DE
Culinary Arts
Cybersecurity DE
Emergency Medical Technician
Environmental Plant Science DE
Firefighter
Health Informatics
Introduction to Health & Medical Science DE (10th grade only)
HVAC
Masonry
TV Production & Digital Moviemaking
Veterinary Science

2-year pathway options

Auto Service Technology
Biomedical Technology
Computer & Digital Animation
Computer Integrated Engineering & Design DE
Cosmetology
Graphic Communications
Medical Laboratory Technology DE
Pharmacy Technology DE
Radiology Technology DE
Welding DE

*Additional requirements for MATA Dual Enrollment (DE)

Virtual Tour: <https://blogs.lcps.org/acltours/>

Academies of Loudoun Admissions & Outreach: <https://www.lcps.org/AcademiesAdmissions>

Kasonya – MSAC

- Topic last night was around
- Loudoun County public schools –
- Youth Infinity group - started by former Loudoun County Public School students
- Student Advocacy Panel Q&A
 - How
- How can we start these infinity group at the elementary level
- What can LCPS do to bring families and schools together?
 - Trust
 - Seeing families as equal partners
 - Accountability
 - Being relentless about address inequalities
 - Being culturally responsible and respectful

- Education – really educate families what families and students are going through
- Next Meeting is January 19th
- Live webcast on LCPS website

“Systems of inequity not

To get involved, anyone can attend (currently held virtually) -

You can also submit questions in advance.

Spirit Night Updates

- November 30 – Chin Chin Café
- December 8 – TBD

We raised \$111 at Chipotle in the last Spirit Night

Upcoming:

- Fun Weller Hairspray - \$5 per child + permission slip
 - 50% to a charitable organization, 50% to PTO
- Food Drive
- Toy Drive
- Candy-Gram – fundraising, December 10 + December 17

Quan – Budget Updates

- Overall donations: \$1, 908
 - (this included corporate donations:
- Photography - \$1,628
- Money going out – IXL software assistance for school

Next Month’s PTO meeting will be December 17th at 8:00 AM
Open Floor Q&A (parents and attendees)

- Any additional topics not yet discussed?

Motion to adjourn meeting: 2nd Bob Shelton

Meeting adjourned: (8:45 AM)