



# TAF

## Parent Advisory Group Meeting Notes

October 21, 2020

**I. Goal and role of TAF's PAG** – please refer to attachment

**II. Family engagement challenges and areas of opportunity:**

communication to students and family's need to be consistent (from administration and teachers), shared in multiple languages, and in a structure that allows opportunity for follow-up questions; There is a lack of structure and inconsistencies regarding Wednesday's and daily small group sessions. Teachers must create a rhythm, more structured work for students; students are still not connecting, there is a lack of trust and not a lot of opportunity to build authentic, meaningful relationships with their peers and teachers.

**Recommendations:** 1) Monthly announcements to parents from House Teams with an overview of what is being taught, 2) Monthly newsletter sent out by STEMbyTAF Director, 3) Consider holding monthly Town Hall meetings for students and parents, 4) Ensure assignments are posted Tuesday instead of Wednesday at 9AM.

**III. Curriculum Night – 10/28:** This is an opportunity for families to meet their student's House team teachers and learn about the curriculum taught during the first two quarters.

**IV. Bailey Gatzert Food Kit Distribution – 11/11:** An opportunity to meet families and answer questions about TAF and Seattle University partnership.

**V. TAF's Thanksgiving Brigade – 11/19, 23:** TAF and WMS PTSA have partnered to provide turkey's and gift cards to our families in need. Barb will send a list of resources to Krishna to include in the letter.

**VI. Schedule monthly meetings:** Meet twice a month; our next meeting will be held Tuesday, November 10<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> from 6PM-7PM. Krishna will follow-up with Steve Mesler to discuss the survey to parents.