

STEM School Chattanooga

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Thursday, August 19

Parent Leadership Team Meeting (6:30pm-7:30pm)

- Welcome
 - Cheryl Cambron – PLT Meeting Facilitator
 - Terrie Quering – PLT Meeting Notetaker

- Attendance: In Person
 - Tatiana Allen
 - Amy Blankenship
 - Cheryl Cambron
 - Courtney Cochran
 - Jim David
 - Stefanie deOlloqui
 - Tony Donen
 - David Doss
 - Julie Gersch
 - Joanna Holland
 - Nicole Hunter
 - Maddie Lowry
 - Ian Mitchell
 - Maria Morales
 - Terrie Quering
 - Brian Sledge
 - Candice Thompson
 - Shane Tinker
 - Andrew Tudor
 - Kim Tudor
 - Karen Walker
 - Scott Walker
 - Tisha Walker

- Attendance: Unable to attend but would like to be included on PLT
 - Danielle Ball
 - Britteny Ferguson
 - Marcia Gloekler
 - Cass Karl
 - Brandie King
 - Wendy Lohr
 - Melanie Blake Singer
 - Michelle Turner

- Committees for 21-22, Chairpeople and Team Members:
 - Staff Appreciation Committee
 - Description: brings meals monthly to the teachers; can be responsible for additional materials/supplies throughout the year; the team organizes meals or supply lists, creates a sign-up, the list is emailed to all parents for participation
 - 20-21 Team Members: Becci Furr, Brian Sledge, Marcia Gloekler, Cheryl Cambron, Terrie Quering
 - **21-22 Team:** Marcia Gloekler, Becci Furr, Cheryl Cambron, Maria Morales, Nicole Hunter, Kiim Tudor; BrianSledge
 - Silent Auction Committee
 - Description: The auction is either in person or online (last year); it raises money for materials that kids use throughout the year (digital printing materials, etc.); all the money is used at the school's discretion; the auction has raised \$8000+ in years past; normally takes place during STEM Showcase (December) but last year it took place in February; this school year's date is to be determined
 - 20-21 Chairperson: Julie Gersch
 - **21-22 Chairperson:** Julie Gersch; **Team:** Cortney Cochran, Amy Blankenship, Stefanie deOlloqui
 - Learning Community Meetings

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- Description: Hamilton County Schools are divided into learning communities (STEM is in the North River community) the community is designed to gather information (for example additional communication or parent engagement) that the schools need from the parents of that area; the learning communities also share how things are done well at the schools in the community; this is similar to a focus group; STEM parents have brought a lot of value to these meetings; the commitment involves a monthly or every-other-month meeting at a school or via zoom; the meeting lasts one hour; the team tries to have at least one person present for each learning community meeting
- 20-21 Team Members: Julie Gersch, Cheryl Cambron, Kim Baucom, Brian Sledge
- **21-22 Team:** Cheryl Cambron, Ian Mitchell, Maddie Lowry, Karen Walker
- Facebook Internal Parent Page
 - Description: The Facebook page is for parents to share information; emails to parents are posted there; families will resell used (or unused) uniforms; carpool info is posted; it's a parent-support group; it is a private group; to join the group you must answer a security question; the current security question is "Who sends the majority of STEM emails to you?"; an email will go out soon with information for parents who want to join
 - 20-21 Chairperson: Cheryl Cambron
 - **21-22 Chairperson:** Cheryl Cambron
- National Honor Society Committee
 - Description: One night job; the STEM counselor runs this event; members help coordinate the induction ceremony; the ceremony this year will include last year's inductees as well as this year's; it is usually is in late October or early November; this year's date is not determined yet
 - 20-21: Did not implement
 - **21-22 Team:** Tatiana Allen; Val deOlloqui
- Other Committees for 21-22?
 - The committees listed above are committees that parents have wanted to do in the past; if there is a committee you are interested in chairing, bring that to Dr. Donen's attention
 - STEM Jubilee Committee
 - Description: This is a two-day event with STEM activities for elementary kids in Hamilton County; parents have helped setup; bring food; manage food for volunteers; ask for sponsorships/donation; PR can be part of this; the Jubilee didn't happen last year due to Covid-19 restrictions; normally happens in May; STEM has a partnership with Chatt State for the event and the activities are in buildings and on the grounds; 4000+ kids during the last event
 - **21-22 Team:** Joanna Holland
 - STEM just received a \$1 million dollar grant for Global Center for Digital Innovation and part of the grant is for a multimedia space at STEM. A parent committee could be created to use that area. For example a parent committee could use the video/multimedia to create content for the STEM website; students could also can participate
 - Email will go out with notes asking to respond about joining a committee or starting a committee
- Next PLT Meeting
 - September 16, 2021 at 6:30 PM at STEM School