

John Adams Middle School

LISC Meeting

Tuesday, August 27, 2024 – 6:00 p.m.

Meeting Minutes

Mr. Moyers called the meeting to order with sixteen total members present.

Mr. Moyers appointed three John Adams Middle School Faculty Members to serve on the John Adams Middle School LSIC for the 2024-2025 school year: Chelsea Carr, Michelle Cottrill and Bridget Ward.

Mr. Moyers took nominations from the floor for parent representatives to serve on the John Adams Middle School LSIC for the 2024-2025 school year and presented the following slate for approval: Chairperson Lesley McCallister, Jennifer Roberts, Sarah Plants and Amanda D’Emidio.

The motion to approve the slate as presented passed unanimously.

Mr. Moyers presented standardized test data from the end of the 2023-2024 school year:

2023-2024 ENGLISH – % Mastery – End of Year Average: 60.18%
Finished in Top 10 in the State of WV

	BOY	MOY	EOY
6th Grade	39%	47%	61%
7th Grade	42%	47%	58%
8th Grade	49%	56%	59%

2023-2024 MATH – % Mastery – End of Year Average: 47.53%

	BOY	MOY	EOY
6th Grade	15%	29%	39%
7th Grade	25%	33%	52%
8th Grade	30%	36%	48%

As of the August 27th meeting, for this current school year, students had only taken the BOY English test. Preliminary results were as follows:

2024-2025 ENGLISH – % Mastery

	BOY	MOY	EOY
6th Grade	41%		
7th Grade	39%		
8th Grade	47%		

BOY = Beginning of Year

MOY = Middle of Year

EOY = End of Year

Mr. Moyers said there is room for improvement. Mr. Moyers has hired an extra Math teacher to help focus on that area for the kids who need extra assistance. Additionally, Mr. Moyers is planning a couple of trips to other middle schools throughout the state that performed better than JAMS on the annual exams to make sure we are doing everything we can to provide our John Adams Middle School students with the best education in the state. He will update LSIC members after these trips take place.

Mr. Moyers noted his door is always open and everyone is welcome to stop by his office and email him anytime about anything. And he is happy to provide more testing data as the year progresses.

Mrs. Williams presented the 2023-2024 School Year Discipline Report:

- 1,155 total write ups, but more than 100 of them took place on the bus.
- Three Levels of Discipline:
 - Level I – Nuisance Behavior: cheating, skipping, being disrespectful: 644
 - Level II – Insubordination, fighting without injury, cell phone issues: 463
 - Most were regarding cell phone issues.
 - Level III – Dangerous, battery, destruction of property: 113
- Total number of students written up: 305 (out of 730+)
 - 104 of those only received one write up.
 - Remaining 201 were repeat offenders.
 - Average out of school suspension: 2.8 days
 - Three expulsions/sent to Chandler alternative school.

Mrs. Williams noted that this year there would be additional cooperation with area elementary schools with regard to sharing discipline procedures and information. We hope the partnership with the elementary schools can help prepare students for the transition to middle school and reduce the number of write ups in future years.

Mr. Moyers asked if anyone wanted to share any additional concerns. Mrs. Cottrill noted the ongoing issues with the air conditioning units not working properly at JAMS. Mr. Moyers said the central office is aware and maintenance has been to the school frequently to make adjustments and replace parts, but it is still not working properly consistently. Mr. Moyers noted that JAMS is scheduled to get a brand-new system using the recently passed school levy funds, but the exact installation date has not been scheduled. Mr. Moyers said he will continue reporting issues to maintenance until that occurs.

Mr. Moyers reminded members that the remaining LSIC meeting dates for the 2024-2025 school year are:

- October 29, 2024
- January 28, 2025
- April 8, 2025

If you have any questions, please email jams.lsic@gmail.com