



# GT Parent Advisory Summary

## November 9, 2017

### **Gilbert Campus Review:**

- Currently have 26 6<sup>th</sup> grade students in GT.
- Amusement park project in groups of 2 and will have peer evaluation.
- Will finish presentations next week and then will move into a couple of creative projects – newspapers are needed for this.

### **Hook Campus Review:**

- Creating / developing a city. Started off making a building in a city and will look at what it takes to run a city – will have some city employees come in and speak.

### **Chamberlin Campus Review:**

- Testing transfer students, loses class time when they test. Fall testing wasn't anticipated.
- All schools will work on some science projects.
- Chamberlin will meet once a week and Mrs. Coffee has been sending information to teachers.

### **GT Field Trip Options:**

- Some money has been allotted in the budget for a field trip. For this year's field trip the students won't go as a whole group.
- 1<sup>st</sup> through 4<sup>th</sup> grade option – Ft Worth Science Museum and Omni.
- 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> option – Perot Museum. A request has already been sent in and will be looking at the end of January or February to go.

### **Up To Date Parent List:**

- Will get list together and Rachel will help if needed.
- Mrs. Coffee will have a monthly calendar to email out.



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### Other:

- Most of testing has been put on iPad so that it can be done anywhere.
- TX Performance Standards projects.
- Admin wants more involvement on Chamberlin Campus – Mrs. Tucker.
- Once a month some students that are not in GT but are high achievers or have GT tendencies will be pulled; more info will be given to them when it is time to test.
- DI is not technically under Mrs. Coffee, and neither is UIL.
- Mrs. Coffee touched base with other DI schools that have been successful. There was a meeting with Wylie and learned how they run their program – they charge per student and do fundraisers. Some fundraisers will be planned as the school will only pay for Regionals. \$100 per student will go towards registration and shirts. May do a Dinner Theater and sponsors for scholarships have been reached out to. There are 2 DI teams in 4<sup>th</sup> grade, 1 team in 5<sup>th</sup>, and 2 teams in 6<sup>th</sup>.
- GT students are required to try out for UIL, DI, or History.
- Some projects or activities will get a grade and some won't. Some grades given won't actually count toward anything.
- 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grad project similar to National History Day and will do a STEM Carnival (not the same as the Science Fair in the fall). Goal is to get students involved and may or may not open it up to non GT students.
- In the Spring will focus on "Community Involvement" – advertising and talking about improvements the students would like to have at the schools. Talk about a news station and will work on interviewing. (Potential to focus on the Bond using "upper level thinking skills" so that there isn't a push for one side over the other).
- For TX Association of GT we want an exemplary rating, so need more community involvement (helping out in areas where it is needed).
- Tarleton Planetarium in the Spring is free, potential to work with or learn about hydroponics (Hennen Cummings).
- Geography Bee is 1/24 and UIL is 1/25.
- The GT budget is slim, so Mrs. Coffee has been paying for supplies personally and will be putting together a monthly wish list that can involve all GT parents.



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**Attendance:** Mrs. Coffee, Rachel Betz, Jeri Tulley, and Keri Lesur