



**Parent-Faculty Organization @ ITC
Meeting Agenda
Wednesday, October 17th, 2018
5:30-6:30pm School Library**

5:30-5:40 p.m.: Welcome & School News Update; Ms. Formica

5:40 – 6:15 p.m.: Keeping Track of Academic Progress; Mr. Sohoski

6:15-6:25: p.m.: Open House Survey Results

Notes from October's **SCSD Superintendent's Parent Council Meeting**

6:25-6:30 p.m.: Questions

Soup SIGN-UP for Parent Teacher Conference Day November 6th, 2018

Minutes from Meeting:

Ms. Formica reported that ITC hosted some important visitors to the building today (10/17/18); NYS Commissioner of Labor, Ms. Roberta Reardon and Superintendent of Syracuse City Schools, Mr. Jaime Alicea toured the building and individual CTE classrooms to see how the pathways are working with hands on learning for our students. [From the web: *The New York State Department of Labor Commissioner **Roberta Reardon** oversees the Department's more than 3,300 employees. The position is nominated by the Governor and approved by a vote in the NYS Senate.*]

With so much violence outside of school, administrators want parents to be assured that ITC's leadership is working with all faculty and community leaders to build a safe community inside the school. Ways in place to help students, Officer Black and other support staff are available and very visible throughout the school day. If you have any suggestions, please let Ms. Formica or Mr. Natoli know. Both will look for any best practices. Someone at meeting recommended the Boys & Girls Clubs [4 Syracuse locations visit - <http://www.bgcsyracuse.org/> or phone:315-472-4767] and the Southwest Community Center [401 South Ave; Syracuse, NY phone 315-474-6823] as activity centers for students after school and on weekends.

After-school tutoring has started. The tutoring hours are offered by our faculty in various departments, the schedule is posted on ITC website. Paper copies available by calling the school office; 315-435-4300. Students should go to classroom listed on schedule. Also, the school Library / Media Center stays open until 4:00 pm for any students who want homework space and/or help.

Mr. Sohoski demonstrated how parents can make good use of the website and school calendar. Be sure to filter by school for ITC's calendar. Also on website are important links and tutoring schedule. Many announcements on home page.

Some important links on PFO page: COLLEGE BOARD: Create an account early and visit often as your student develops their high school profile.

ITC uses CLEVER. Each students gets a log-in for their general academic use. They can access Castle Learning (curriculum lessons), Mackinvia (audio books & e-books), and other apps that can be used as study guides and study aids. Specifically, for Regents studies, you can access related vocabulary, data reports and flash cards based on the curriculum your student is studying.

When you are at CLEVER – every icon page will vary by student. Also linked to the NYC Library – see Mr. Sohoski so he can assist you in getting a library card to access all they have at NYC Metropolitan Library.

Also, you can use E-School to check your student’s attendance, schedule by day, grades, class work due dates, and to email teachers. You can also see and print transcripts, report cards, and regents test scores. [By the way, if your student is late and swipes his ID card in the system, the monetary fine that registers is not real.]

P/T Conferences being scheduled for 11/6/18. If you do not hear from main office, please call Mrs. Capozzi at 315-435-4300 to make an appointment.

School doors open at 7:15 a.m. Now that days are getting colder, students can wait in the large foyer from 7:15 a.m. and will be supervised.

Drop off any donations for **Bake Sales** in the front office. Next date for PFO Bake Sales is Nov. 13th, 2018!

Soups and Snacks for ITC is becoming a PFO tradition! On Parent/Teacher Conference Day several PFO members filled crockpots with soups for teachers & staff to eat for lunch. Our teachers & staff at ITC work so hard for our kids...they greatly appreciated the pampering! From Ms. Formica:

*“Hi Kathie,
I just want to thank you and the rest of the parents who took the time to make lunch for our staff yesterday. Here are some of the comments from the staff:
“It was a wonderful fantastic lunch from the soups to the desert”*

“The soups were delicious. We never have a lot of opportunities to eat lunch all together as a whole staff.”

“The PFO members are very cordial and provided a cheerful, delightful and “souper” lunch”

“ After lunch I was ready to take a nap I ate so much”

Thank Thank Thank you from everyone at ITC!!”

Thank you to PFO members Gina Howard, Michca Ballard-Fortin, Cathy Horton, Nicole Semmens, Clarise Coleman, Angela Mung Hughes, Donna Williams, Tammy Ponto, Regina Timmons, Kathie Maniaci & Rosita Williams for contributions of soup, bread & butter, drinks, bowls & spoons and sweets! Special thanks to Gina Howard and helper Ana McGough for helping set up, serve and clean up!!

CALENDAR NOTES: Upcoming Dates

2018-2019 PFO Meetings Scheduled for:

September 26th, 2018

December 19th, 2018.

March 20th, 2019.

October 17th, 2018

January 16th, 2019

April 24th, 2019

November 28th, 2018

February 27th, 2019

May 15th, 2019





PFO Bake Sales supporting financial scholarships to graduating seniors & the end of year Teacher Appreciation Luncheon. Always selling during the 3 lunch periods.

Wednesday, October 31st, 2018: RAISED \$216.00

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Tuesday, November 13th, 2018

Please bake, send in store ought items or help sell. Let Kathie know how you can help tonight or via email: kmaniaci@gmail.com

Oct. 31st Bake Sale Thanks to PFO members Tracy Grimm, Michca Ballard-Fortin, Gina Howard, Ms. Formica, Donna Williams, Tammy Ponto, Kathie Maniaci & Angela Mung Hughes for donations! Also there were Honeybuns and beautiful cupcakes with orange frosting that I misplaced the labels for...please email me so I can give you a shout out in the next PFO minutes. My apologies!

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November 12th NO SCHOOL, Veteran's Day

November 13th FAFSA NIGHT for parents of graduating seniors. Come get help submitting these forms!

November 21 – 25th NO SCHOOL ~ Thanksgiving Break