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9th Grade PLC Agenda

Date: Monday, Jan. 13, 2020; 11:05 AM – 11:35 AM

Present: Elliott, Dr. Smith, Munoz, Spivey, Higdon, Hamiter

1. Brags & Announcements: Elliott reported that one student who was not known for turning homework in and taking notes had already started taking notes for bio, and was so proud of him/herself. Higdon reported that ALL 9th grade students turned in their completed assignments. Dr. Smith reminded us about Whiz Quiz's success and that they would be featured on WFAA on Wed, 1/15 at 9:00 AM
2. Student Concerns:
 - a. Academic:
 - i. Semester report cards were not ready at the time of this meeting.
 - ii. There will be a Health Sciences make up program for those who failed PHS.
 - iii. Hamiter will begin Algebra I pullouts on Tuesdays during advisory. Elliott will keep her advisory
 - b. Behavioral
 - i. It was agreed that in the core 9th grade classes, no ear buds would be allowed in a student's ears if the teacher is giving direct instruction to the class. We must all be consistent. Whether ear buds are allowed during individual working time will be up to the teacher to decide.
 - c. Attendance: no comment. The semester just began.
3. Support of grade/sponsors – no input
4. Important Dates/Events
 - a. English 1 field trip to see Romeo and Juliet at Bass Hall is Feb. 18
 - b. English 1 benchmarks in Feb. 4-7
 - c. STAAR EOC, English, April 7-8
 - d. STAAR EOC, Algebra 1, May 6
 - e. STAAR EOC, Biology, May 7