



# BRIGHTON HIGH

## SCHOOL COMMUNITY COUNCIL

January 21, 2026 at 3:30 PM WBL ROOM

**BHS Mission Statement** - Brighton High School's mission is to foster success for all students by providing opportunities to learn at high levels through an inclusive and supportive educational environment.

### SCC MEMBERS

X Marielle Rawle (Principal)

X Cherie Sadowski (Chair)

X Michelle Schmidt (Vice-Chair)

X Marissa Merket (Secretary)

X Marci Cardon (PTSA)

X Summer Gallegos

X Tyson Grover

X Kimball High

X Spencer Hill

X Stephanie Lewis

X Pat Passey

X Matt Payne

X Melinda Rosevear

   Brie Spencer

X Kim Steenblik

X Hailey Watanabe

X Kellie Clark

X Alia Gonzales

X Aaron Hadfield

X Ernest Pulliam

EX Jackie Ricks

X Stefanie Ripplinger

EX Marianne Sheranian

X Josh Wallace

X Megan Lyman (counseling)

Visitors:

Welcome:

- Ernest Pulliam motioned to approve the November minutes. Hailey Watanabe seconded the motion to approve the minutes.
- Hailey Watanabe motioned to approve the January Agenda. Tyson Grover seconded the motion to approve the agenda.

Action Items:

- Melinda Rosevear will write up a formal request from SCC to get the crosswalk/roundabout safety concerns on a City Council meeting. Attend a City Council meeting in Cottonwood Heights. Please voice the need for a meeting with Cottonwood Heights to solve the crosswalk concerns.
- Marielle will provide copies of our school goals and our plan to allocate funds for the February meeting.

SCC Business:

- Subcommittees:
  - **Cell Tower:** Band wanted to hire a specialist to come in and tutor students. The Culinary arts teacher needed new equipment. Jewelry needed additional equipment. FCCLA requested grants for student tuition for extended learning opportunities. Our Language Services Specialist requested iPads for the students who receive language services.
    - o Hailey Watanabe asked if the subcommittee will be meeting. Michelle Schmidt will reach out to those members who signed up for the subcommittee.
  - **Above and Beyond Awards:** Tyson Aldridge, Russell Graff, Marissa Merket, and Mason Brinkman were recognized and given an Above and Beyond Award.
    - o All staff members are open to receive this award, including school safety advocates and educational support personnel.

- **Feeder Luncheon:** Melinda Rosevear is over this subcommittee. This lunch is an opportunity for other members of other schools' communities and PTSA members to meet to communicate about Brighton as a school and the programs that are run.
  - o The date for the feeder lunch has not been set. Our culinary team will cater the lunch.

Principal Report:

- **Traffic Concerns:** Marielle is aware of the congestion our community experiences each morning with the school traffic. We have requested more police presence in the mornings from Cottonwood Heights. Policer officers will ticket speeders and drivers who are using the bike lane to turn right into Brighton's parking lot. The police officers are focusing on communicating the need to slow down and not use the bike lane.
  - o Crossing Guards are funded by the city's police department. The decision to hire a crossing guard needs to come from the community. The city needs to address this issue based on the city's decision to change the placement of the crosswalks.
    - Cottonwood Heights has a new mayor that is still unknown to our school. Marielle will be meeting with her soon.
    - We would like to fix this issue before anyone is hurt. We are hoping to continue supporting all students and community members safely.
  - o Kellie Clark—the traffic line is long and things get better when someone is pacing the students who need to cross the street. Is there a way to get a timer set up to force students to take a break from crossing? This timer would bring a solution, but we cannot determine if a timer alone would be effective.
  - o Aaron Hadfield—if Brighton pays for a crossing guard by partnering with Cottonwood Heights, would that help get the position filled and functional quickly? We have a large portion of grass at the north end of our parking lot. Could we reuse that lawn for a dedicated right turn lane?
  - o Kim Steenblik—Bella Vista Elementary is closing. Could we redirect the two paid-for crossing guards to Brighton High School?
  - o Kimball High—could we change the traffic patterns with our school community to help alleviate the risk? Albion requires students to walk on a certain path. Could we?
    - A follow up question—are the police officers giving more warnings or are they giving tickets? High School drivers will see a spike in insurance rates after getting at ticket.
      - Marielle has said that Cottonwood Heights reported that most drivers were adults.
  - o Aaron Hadfield—would like to propose that we make a formal request as an SCC to work with Cottonwood Heights to find a safe solution for this issue. The next meeting is February 3<sup>rd</sup>. No March date is listed yet.
- **Data Review:** Our first year using MAP data was during the 2024-2025 school year. We will go over the MAP data thoroughly in our February meeting. The district's testing window doesn't always work with Brighton's trimester. This year will take the test three times. Next year, we will take the MAP test twice.
  - o The MAP test starts every student at grade level at the start of their testing session. This test is designed to measure broad skills and growth over time rather than mastery of a single curriculum.
    - Our school will focus on breaking down the data from the MAP tests in their grade level and content PLCs.
  - o Hailey Watanabe—are we beholden to the district on this testing dates and

goals?

- Yes, we are required to test in their windows, but our school goals are determined by our SCC.
- Kimball High—our new goal needs to be decided this year, but will the data our school gets from our recent test help us decide our goal? Should we be waiting?
  - The 2024-2025 goal was set before we were familiar with MAP. Now we have a better understanding of the test. Our new goal is a realistic goal whereas the 24-25 goal was not attainable.
- **TSSP and Lands Trust Funds:**
- Academic Goal: As measured by the MAP Reading and MAP Math assessments, Brighton will increase achievement by one (1) percentile (from 79<sup>th</sup> to 80<sup>th</sup> in Math and 74<sup>th</sup> to 75<sup>th</sup> in Reading).
- Academic Goal: Increase graduation rate by 1% from 2025-2026 graduation rate.
- Our TSSP funds and Lands Trust funds will be applied in the following areas/ways to meet our goal:
  - Our neighboring schools have a graduation rate that is higher than our school. Those schools have a system of coding students who withdraw correctly so that their graduation rate is not affected by student movement.
    - Marielle has a plan to support the correct coding of students who have withdrawn to get an accurate graduation rate for Brighton.
  - Supplement one teacher's salary to teach PAWS to enhance student learning, remediation, and credit recovery.
  - Supplement one teacher's salary to teach literacy to our multi-lingual students for 3 trimesters.
  - Supplement one teacher's salary to teach literacy to our students with low literacy rates based on the MAP and ASPIRE data.
  - Supplement one teacher's salary to teach a study skills class to our underperforming students (ex. Pacific Islanders, low SES, etc.) to enhance student learning, remediation and credit recovery.
    - This year, our school has been labeled by the state with a Targeted Support & Intervention (TSI) plan to support our Pacific Islander population.
  - Funds to pay for after school Math supports for all levels provided by a variety of Math teachers throughout the school year.
  - Two additional FTE to pay for teaching core Math every day for those students who need more Math supports.
  - Continue to pay for teachers to obtain micro credentials supporting PLC goals.
  - Supplement the salary of the Alternative Language Support and/or McKinney Vento aide supporting our multi-lingual students and homeless students.
  - Cost to pay for teachers to obtain micro credentials, supporting PLC goals.
  - Supplement one PLC Coach to be paid in stipends
  - Cost to pay for Conference Registrations to support school-wide goals
  - Cost to pay for conference travel expenses to support school-wide goals
  - .75 FTE for class size reduction in core academic areas
  - Cost to pay for substitutes for PLC planning
  - .50 salary for one full-time Social Worker salary and benefits
  - Paying 8 teachers \$500 each to serve on the School Climate Committee. Teachers will be paid in stipends as well for additional hours outside of school hours.
  - .25 FTE to supplement other funds and enable us to hire 1 additional full-time

- counselor to support students in all four comprehensive guidance areas.
  - A Testing Center was started this year. The coordinator has a goal for every student to take the MAP and ASPIRE test. Currently, the coordinator's salary comes from administrative assistant salary pool. We are considering using some TSSP funds to pay her wage.
- Climate Goal #1: Brighton High will continue to provide increased surveillance of our problem areas, particularly our restrooms to reduce the number of students vaping and vandalizing restrooms.
- Our TSSP funds and Lands Trust funds will be applied in the following areas/ways to meet our goal:
  - Salary and benefits of two additional school safety advocates (above the district allotment of two)
- Climate Goal #2: Increase attendance by 2% from 2025-26 attendance data
- Our TSSP funds and Lands Trust funds will be applied in the following areas/ways to meet our goal:
  - One full-time Check and Connect Mentor salary and benefits
  - Items to be purchased for our PBIS token economy
- TSSP is slated to sunset in the 2027 calendar year. Cherie Sadowski asked if the district has a plan to pay for counselors and social workers. This legislative session has the sale of public lands on the agenda. Please voice your concerns about selling public lands when we need these funds.
  - The district sends district employee, Susan Edwards, Charlie Evans, a lobbyist, and school board members to Capitol Hill each legislative session.
  - PTSA will communicate legislative session
- Tyson Grover clarified that TSSP is set to sunset, but the funds are not going away. The state of Utah is moving the Teacher Supplement Salary Program to the SHiNE program. TSSA funds are still available which we will use to pay for our academic and climate goals.

Permits:

- For the 2026-2027 school year, we will accept permits for siblings of students who will be in attendance next school year. Siblings of seniors who are graduating during the 2025-2026 school year will not have a permit accepted.
- With Canyons District's boundary change, we will be covering all students on Creek Road up to 13<sup>th</sup> East. Hillcrest will be picking up the apartment complex and homes east of 13<sup>th</sup> East. [View the map by clicking here.](#)

Celebrations:

- Brighton had a Drill Coach change with assistant coaches taking over. We earned 3<sup>rd</sup> place for Drill in our competitive region! We are advancing to State.
- DECA Regions had 126 Brighton students competing. We placed higher than all other high schools in our district. Mr. Elzey does an amazing job.
- Coach Sutera has done such a great job at Brighton—he is moving away to Corner Canyon. We will try to hire a replacement that will continue building the positive culture that Sutera built.

PTSA Report:

- We are doing well, but we need more volunteers for next year. We are looking for someone who is strong with accounting/money management skills. Some bylaws are changing if you would like to be involved in shaping the future PTSA bylaws.
- Students will be going to Capitol Hill with the PTSA on February 17<sup>th</sup>. The group can take 30 students. Currently, we have 17 students lined up to attend.
- PTA Day on the Capitol would be great to attend since educational bills are on the agenda.
- Melinda Rosevear has been working on the Bengal Bash for graduation. Reach out if

you have any questions or ideas.

Faculty Report:

- Thank you for dinner on conference night.
- Attendance is so important. There is a direct tie between academic success and attendance.
- Parent Teacher Conferences went well. The data supports that more parents attended in person rather than through the video conference.

Counseling Center Report:

- Freshmen are being pulled for our College and Career Readiness meetings. Parents hand the opportunity to sign up through Parent Square. The SCC members were positive towards the Parent Square sign ups.
  - o We will have data to compare effectiveness of the older system of the post card vs. the new system of signing up on Parent Square after the meetings conclude.
- College Day is February 12<sup>th</sup>. All colleges will have representatives for students to meet with and ask questions.
- February 9<sup>th</sup> - February 20<sup>th</sup> – course selection is open, and Counselors will be available for class presentations and student questions.
- Bengal Fair for incoming Freshmen is scheduled for February 11<sup>th</sup>.

Next Meeting – February 11 @ 3:30 PM

- Aaron Hadfield will keep his comments brief to help our SCC finish on time and attend the Bengal Fair that is scheduled on the same night.
- Melinda Rosevear asked if we could combine our comments and concerns as an SCC for the legislative session. According to the bylaws, we can write a letter, but we must sign our individual names.

Guest remarks - *limited to 3 minutes*

Kimball High motioned to adjourn.

Aaron Hadfield seconded the motion to adjourn.