



Blanche Ely High School

SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL (SAC) MEETING MINUTES

Blanche Ely High School

Date: January 20, 2026

Time: 6:11 p.m.

Location: BEHS Media Center

Facilitator: Ms. Carolyn Smith

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:11 p.m. by Ms. Carolyn Smith.

Ms. Rowe welcomed all attendees and reiterated the purpose of the School Advisory Forum (SAF): to promote collaboration and communication among parents, students, staff, community members, and school leadership in support of student achievement and school improvement.

2. Determination of Quorum

A quorum was not met at 6:11; however, by 6:38pm. Quorum was met.

4. Mid-year Reflection for School Improvement Plan

A. Parent and Community Input

Math

- Explicit Instruction
- Direct Instruction
- Small group is better than whole group
- Peer-to-peer

ELA

- Fiction poems did not help because the test was more factual.
- Read more Greek stories
- Rhetorical analysis (ethos, pathos, logos)
- Cambridge/ELA standards were fast-paced. Cambridge workload allowed students to practice more.

5. Principal's Report

Mr. Williams provided updates on mid-year academic data, SAC fund allocations, graduation planning, Magnet Schools of America certification

efforts, PBIS initiatives, literacy efforts, wellness supports, a 95% graduation rate, CTE programming, grants, and upcoming school events.

Mr. Williams also discussed Parent Power Hours and the events for this month which include the Pathways to Success Parent Night. Later this month, the Girls Summit will take place at the Ali Cultural Center on January 29, 2026. An Honor Roll Assembly will be had for students who made As and Bs in the 2nd quarter. Lastly, a parent survey has been sent via parentlink to the community for input on customer service at BEHS.

8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:26 p.m.



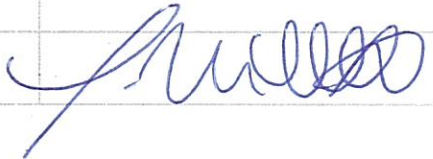
Minutes Prepared By:

Dr. Thelwell

Date: January 20, 2026

☆ SAC Sign in Sheet for Blanche Ely HS (0361)

Date: <u>1/20/24</u>		Time: <u>4:00pm</u>			
#	SAC Member Full Name	Position	SBBC Employee	Parent of Student	Sign Here
1	Alfred, Dieussal	Gifted Parent of a student at the school	No	Yes	
2	Blands, Nicole	I-Zone Representative (must be a parent)	Yes	Yes	<i>N. Blands</i>
3	Fields, Anaiya	Parent	No	Yes	
4	Herbas-Soliz, Reina	Students (required for HS & Centers)	No	No	
5	Holloway, LeJill	SAC Secretary	Yes	No	<i>L. Holloway</i>
6	Holsworth, Mary	Non-Instructional Support Employees	Yes	No	<i>Mary Holsworth</i>
7	Irving, Britney	Parent	No	Yes	<i>[Signature]</i>
8	Jean-Baptiste, Renesha	ESE Parent of a student at the school	No	Yes	
9	Johnson, Kysha	I-Zone Representative (must be a parent)	Yes	Yes	
10	Kambobe, Courtney	Community / Business Representatives	No	No	
11	Lobban, Deanna	Students (required for HS & Centers)	No	No	
12	McGirt, Connie	Teacher	Yes	No	

Date: <u>1/20/26</u>		Time: <u>6:00pm</u>			
#	SAC Member Full Name	Position	SBBC Employee	Parent of Student	Sign Here
13	Robinson, Djuna	BTU Steward (or designee)	Yes	No	
14	Smith, Carolyn	SAC Chair	Yes	No	
15	Soliz-Cawido, Matilde	ESOL Parent of a student at the school	No	Yes	
16	Walters, Nicholas	Students (required for HS & Centers)	No	No	
17	Williams, Lacresha	SAF Chair (or designee) Parent of a student at the school	No	Yes	
18	Williams, Tavures	Principal	Yes	No	

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#	Full Name	SBBC Employee	Parent of Student	Community/Business	Sign Here
1	Ahira Baker	NO	NO	Student	Ahira Baker.
2	Tammy Rizer	Yes			<i>[Signature]</i>
3	Tayshawn Williams	NO	NO	Student	T. Williams
4	Dorcion Bancey		Yes		D. Bancey.
5	HAROON M	NO	Y		
6	Nicole Blands	Y			N. Blands
7	Dana Helena Joly	Y	Y	student	Dana Joly
8	Nicholas Whites	NO		Student Rep.	N.W.
9	Zharisa McElreath	NO	NO	Student	Zell
10	Mehdi Idriss	NO	NO	Student	<i>[Signature]</i>
11	Hannah Fields	NO	NO	Student	<i>[Signature]</i>
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