



# APOLLO MIDDLE SCHOOL

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School Advisory Council (SAC) & School Advisory Forum (SAF) 2025-2026

February 25, 2026, 5:00PM - 6:00PM

Location: Media Center

Dr. Louis Kushner, Principal

Mr. Damon Martin, SAC Liaison

Mrs. Danairy Perez and Mrs. Fenoune Sainvil, SAC Co-Chairs

## Agenda

1. Welcome Mrs. Perez
2. Approval of SAC Meeting Minutes  
-February 25, 2026 Mrs. Perez
3. Principal Updates Mrs. Meinsen
4. School Improvement Plan  
-Student Incentives for PM testing Mrs. Perez
5. Title One updates Dr. Morris
6. Open Discussion Mrs. Sainvil



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## Future SAC/ SAF Meetings 25-26

April 22, 2026

May 27, 2026

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## Minutes

1. **Welcome** **Mrs. Perez**  
The motion was made by Mrs. Perez to start the meeting at 5:08.
  
2. **Approval of SAC Meeting Minutes** **Mrs. Perez**
  - a. February 25, 2026  
Marcela moved to approve the minutes after they were read. Mr. Pigan 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion to approve.
  
3. **Principal Updates** **Mrs. Perez**
  - a. Mrs. Brittany Meinsen welcomed everyone and introduced herself. She is happy to continue the hard work led by Dr. Kushner. She anticipates a smooth transition. There will not be any major changes. We will continue to work hard to earn the school grade of an "A."
  - b. SEIR Data  
There have been 34 incidents since the start of the current school year.
  - c. ELO  
Tutoring is still going on during the week and on Saturdays. No Saturday tutoring on April 4<sup>th</sup> due to the holiday weekend. During the week tutoring for 7<sup>th</sup> grade is now available during the week.
  - d. Testing  
The writing test is on March 31st testing calendar. The testing calendar will be posted on the school site. The testing calendar will be sent out to parents via the parent link with detailed information for each assessment.
  - e. End of Year Field Trip:  
The end of year trip is on May 19, 2026. The window to pay for the field trip was extended to accommodate parents and students. There are available seats for the end of year field trip for all 3 grade levels.



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The 8th graders have 8 seats available. The 7<sup>th</sup> graders have 7 seats available. The 6<sup>th</sup> graders have 22 seats available.

f. 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Activities:

The May calendar has prom information, moving up ceremony date and it also will include band information for performances.

#### 4. School Improvement Plan

Mrs. Perez

a. Student Incentives for PM testing

Meinsen states SAC had \$15,300 minus \$8000 for ELO and minus \$2500 for civics incentives. The remaining balance is \$4800.

b. Meinsen is making a request of \$4800 or any remaining balance for student incentives.

c. Jessica Sanchez motioned to vote on the request from Mrs. Meinsen. Mrs. Gristan seconded the motion for the. The motion passed unanimously."

d. PTSA will assist with student incentives as well.

#### 5. Title One updates

Mrs. Perez

a. Dr. Morris sends her apology for not attending today's meeting. For Title I, Apollo has submitted 100% of the required documents to the school district on time, and we are done for the current school year.

#### 6. Open Discussion

Mrs. Sainvil

a. Miss Pollard asked the question about how honor roll is determined. Is it based on having all letter grades or is it based on GPA? Mrs. Meinsen expresses that it should be based on GPA. She wants as many students as possible that have been working hard to make the honor roll for their hard work.

b. Miss Juarez asked for permission to pass out Papa John's pizza cards during third period because it's not a lot of students. Mrs. Meinsen is



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- okay with them passing out the pizza card and the pizza to the students that have earned the incentive for participating in the fundraiser.
- c. Mrs. Polliard is concerned about behavior in Ms. Thrasher's engineering class. She states that students were marching in line. She also mentioned an assignment that was worth 1000 points that was issued during the end of the quarter in the same class. Parents expressed the stress it put on the students at the end of the quarter. Mrs. Meinsen will look into it and address parents' concerns.
  - d. Mrs. Polliard also asked a question about providing an honors band, which is a high school credit band class for certain band students. She mentioned Indian Ridge has the program. Mrs. Meinsen states she will look into it. Mrs. Polliard also mentioned how great a job Ms. Robbins is doing as the band director.
  - e. Next week, course descriptions will be going out, and the counselors will assist students with selecting courses during their science class or answering questions.
  - f. Latinos in Action class is now Global Leaders United. Peer Counseling will also be offered as an elective.
  - g. Scheduling will be looked differently this year to try to streamline students' interest in elective classes. The purpose is to create advance/honors classes that don't interfere with each other, so the students that are taking higher level classes don't have to decide between 2 courses that are offered during the same time. The number of students in elective classes that may not be interested in the class causes behavior problems. Debate has had a lot of success this school year.
  - h. Mr. Pigan will make recommendations for debate classes.
  - i. There will be a meeting next week for all the new students.

## Meeting Adjourned

Mrs. Sainvil

At 6:08, Mrs. Fernandez motioned for the meeting to be adjourned.

## SAF Meeting

Mrs. Sanchez gave a report on discussions during the last SAF meeting

- o The meeting was focused on the importance of regional superintendents



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- ✓ They discussed how the regional superintendents help the school get better
- ✓ They discussed the responsibilities of the regional superintendents

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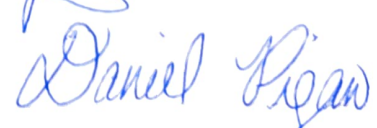
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☆ SAC Sign in Sheet for Apollo MS (1791)




Date: 3/25/26

Time: 5:00 PM

#	SAC Member Full Name	Position	SBBC Employee	Parent of Student	Sign Here
1	Blanco, Martina	Parent	No	Yes	
2	Brown, Alexandra	Parent	No	Yes	
3	DeJesus, Natasha	Community / Business Representatives	No	No	
4	Diaz, Maria	Non-Instructional Support Employees	Yes	No	
5	Farias, Marcela	ESE Parent of a student at the school	No	Yes	
6	Fernandez, Ashley	I-Zone Representative (must be a parent)	No	Yes	
7	Flynt, Katie	Parent	No	Yes	
8	Gristan, Galina	Parent	No	Yes	
9	Job, Renee	Parent	Yes	Yes	
10	Kushner, Louis	Principal	Yes	No	
11	Lainerdy, Dyanmond	Parent	No	Yes	
12	Million, Gwendolyn	Parent	No	Yes	
13	Morris, Claudine	SAC Secretary	Yes	No	
14	Palmison, Maria	ESOL Parent of a student at the school	No	Yes	
15	Perez, Danairy	SAC Co-Chair	Yes	Yes	
16	Pigan, Daniel	Teacher	Yes	No	

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17	Poliard, Lyudmyla	Gifted Parent of a student at the school	No	Yes	
18	Sainvil, Fenoune	SAC Co-Chair	Yes	No	
19	Sanchez, Jessica	SAF Chair (or designee) Parent of a student at the school	No	Yes	
20	Thompson, Marlon	BTU Steward (or designee)	Yes	No	