

North Lauderdale Elementary School
School Advisory Council (SAC)/School Advisory Forum (SAF) Joint Meeting
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Date: Wednesday, April 1, 2026

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Location: North Lauderdale Elementary School

Minutes

Mrs. Lourdyn Desravines-Joseph introduce the following personel in the meeting and announcement:

- Staff Present :
 - Ms. Ortega: North Lauderdale Elementary Principal
 - Ms. Alincy – Assistant Principal
 - Mrs. Joseph: SAC Chair, Third Grade Teacher
 - Ms. Faustin: Teacher Assistant for ESOL Spanish speaking students
 - Mrs. Parisi – Office Manager
 - Ms. Natasha—ASP Director
 - Ms. Hawkins—Third Grade Teacher
 - Mrs. Purcell—First Grade Teacher, 21st Century Directory
 - Ms. Heck—Math Resource Support
 - Ms. Pierre—Kindergarten Teacher

1. Call to Order

A meeting of the North Lauderdale Elementary School Advisory Council (SAC) was held on Wednesday, April 1, 2026. The meeting was called to order at 6:15 p.m. by Mrs. Joseph. A motion was made by Mr. Hearn. The motion was seconded by Ms. Ortega.

2. Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Ms. Rodriguez to approve the March 4, 2026 meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hearn. Motion carried. The minutes were approved as submitted.

3. New Business

Mrs. Joseph provided an update regarding **School Improvement Funds**. There was a quorum present to vote. The committee members voted on how to use the accountability funds. Ms. Ortega presented the different items that staff wanted the funds to be used for including Promethean boards, remote-controlled projector screen, instructional materials, and other technology. Ms. Ortega explained that many of the requests were expensive. Parents were asked for their input as well. Ms. Ortega explained that there was a need for instructional materials in grades 3, 4, and 5. Ms. Purcell was concerned about grades K-2. Ms. Ortega explained that this would be addressed when more funding becomes available. There was a unanimous vote to use the accountability funds for instructional materials to be used by teachers to help students prepare for the FAST assessments in grades 3, 4, and 5. Nine committee

members were present: Mr. Bien-Aime, Ms. Allen, Mr. Hearn, Mrs. Joseph, Ms. Ortega, Ms. Rodriguez, Ms. Faustin, Mrs. Purcell, and Ms. Jeune.

4. Principal's Report – Ms. Ortega

- The school hosted the Father/Daughter Dance tomorrow, Thursday, March 5th from 6:00pm-8:00pm. It was a success! It was sold out. Mrs. Joseph and Ms. Hawkins hosted the program. Many teachers and staff members volunteered their time to ensure that the fathers and daughters had a memorable experience.
- National Assistant Principals' Week is next week. We will be celebrating Ms. Alincy for her dedication to the school and the school community and her hard work in and out of the building.
- Teacher Appreciation Week will take place in early May.
- Parents were given a copy of the testing dates that are coming up. Fourth and fifth grade students took their writing assessments today. Kindergarten will take their PM3 assessments towards the end of April. Reminded the parents of the importance of being present during testing days. Please schedule appointments around testing dates. We need at least 95% of the students tested to be in compliance with the state's requirements. In reading and math, for grades 3-5, students have all day to test. However, students need to be on time to take the tests. Fifth grade take assessments in reading, math, and science.
- April is Autism Awareness Month. We are fortunate to have an autism cluster at our school. Ms. Fall, our autism coach, has planned activities for the entire school to participate in throughout the month including a door decorating contest, a sensory activity, and a school-wide parade.
- Customer Service Surveys are now available to complete. Parents were given the QR code and link to complete the survey. We need parents to complete the survey before the month of May. Students and staff will also receive customer service surveys to complete. The surveys are anonymous. However, the district is monitoring the amount of completed surveys.
- School improvement/beautification efforts continue, including repainting the buildings, doors, cafeteria walls, etc.
- Friday, April 3th, and Monday, April 6th, there is no school. School resumes on Tuesday, April 7th.

Mrs. Joseph reminded families:

- May is Haitian Heritage Month. We have a large Haitian student population. May 18th is Haitian Flag Day. Students and staff are asked to wear red and blue.
- May is also Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) Heritage Month.

6. SESIR (School Environmental Safety Incident Reporting)

There were **no SESIR reportable incidents** submitted to the State during this reporting period.

7. Title I Information Update

We are thankful for Mr. Brown for completing the Title I requirements for the year.

8. Open Discussion/Stakeholder Feedback

A parent asked about the availability of laptops for the students' use at home. Mrs. Joseph informed her that students were responsible for bringing the computer back and forth from home to school. Parents can only sign up to borrow a computer through FOCUS.

10. Next Meeting

The next SAC meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 6, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. It will also be our last meeting. The Children Services Council will be present.

11. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn the SAC meeting was made by Ms. Jeune at 6:42 p.m. and seconded by Ms. Rodriguez.

The SAF meeting was called to order at **6:43 p.m.** A motion to begin the SAF meeting was made by Ms. Allen and seconded by Ms. Jeune. Mr. Hearn, SAF chair, informed everyone that there are approximately 3,000 jobs at the district-level that are in jeopardy. School closures were discussed. It is very important to take the surveys to let the district know how the school is doing. The surveys are a tool for the school and the district to receive feedback on how the school supports the community. He stressed the importance of support from the parents and the school community to help keep North Lauderdale Elementary's doors open. This will also help the teachers and staff to retain their positions. He also stressed the importance of increasing parental participation in SAC/SAF. This is a way to support our teachers, staff, and students. A motion to adjourn was made and seconded at **6:46 p.m.** A motion to adjourn the SAC meeting was made by Ms. Ortega at 6:46 p.m. and seconded by Ms. Allen.