

## **Student Advisory Forum Itinerary**

Presented on Hawks Bluff Elementary Student Advisory Council

Date: October 28, 2025

### **1. Student Services Presentation**

- The Exceptional Student Education (ESE) and Student Services Department serves approximately 36,000 students across Broward County's traditional public schools.
- Despite a decrease in overall enrollment, there has been no reduction in ESE services provided.
- The department also develops and manages IEPs for charter and private schools, supporting about 2,500 private institutions under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).
- Services include transitional support after Early Steps and oversight of 300+ homebound or hospitalized students within the district.

- **Counseling and Support Services:**

- Tiered Support Model (Tiers 1-3): Offers increasing levels of academic, emotional, and behavioral assistance.
- School Counseling Initiatives: Emphasize study skills, organization, college and career readiness, and life skills wellness.
- Xello App (X-E-L-L-O): A comprehensive resource for college and career planning, including financial aid information and a scholarship database.
- Recent Event: College Application Workshop (October 22) focused on the Common App and scholarship tools within Xello.
- Mental Health & Family Counseling: Programs in resilience education, youth mental health, social work, and grief-sensitive schools. Families may access 12 free counseling sessions (one per week), with referrals available for extended or ongoing care.

### **2. School Board Meeting Review/ Code of Student Conduct Updates**

- Cell Phone Policy: High school students are now permitted to use their cell phones during lunch periods.

- **Campus Aesthetics and Banner Uniformity:** Schools are encouraged to maintain consistency in banners and signage to ensure a clean and cohesive visual standard across campuses.

- Clarifications were discussed on facility usage, including distinctions between school-sponsored events and rented use of school property.

### **3. School Boundary/Redefining Review**

- **Boundary and School Redefinition Process:** Ongoing review of district schools for potential K-8 conversions.

- **Consideration of converting select campuses (such as Sheridan and Hallandale High) into technical or specialized programs.**

- **Exploration of four-day school week models, similar to initiatives at Pompano Beach.**

- **Legislative Update – House Bill 1255:** Allows charter schools to operate in underutilized public school facilities, impacting long-term boundary and utilization planning.

★ SAC Sign in Sheet for Hawkes Bluff ES (3131)



SAF

Date: 10/28/25

Time: 1:30

#	SAC Member Full Name	Position	SEBC Employee	Parent of Student	Sign Here
1	Andrews, Amanda	ESE Parent of a student at the school, SAF Chair (or designee) Parent of a student at the school	No	Yes	
2	Bakal Scrma, Rebecca	Pre-K (if applicable - parent or certified teacher)	Yes	No	
3	Barnes, Cara	Non-Instructional Support Employees	Yes	Yes	
4	Bourbeau, Richey	Non-Instructional Support Employees	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	
5	Cepeda, Roxana	Non-Instructional Support Employees, ESOL Parent of a student at the school	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	
6	Cunningham, Melinda	Principal	Yes	No	
7	Fernandez, Yisel	Community / Business Representatives	No	No	

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Time: \_\_\_\_\_



#	SAC Member Full Name	Position	SEBC Employee	Parent of Student	Sign Here
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10	Greenwell, Jaden	Parent	No	Yes	
11	Grillo, Alejandro	Parent	No	Yes	
12	Halverson, Amanda	Parent	No	Yes	
13	Heier, Deanna	SAC Secretary	No	Yes	
14	Leo, Justin	Gifted Parent of a student at the school	No	Yes	
15	McKirchy, Allison	Parent	No	Yes	
16	Obrig, Paige	Community / Business Representatives	No	No	
17	Ramirez, Christina	Parent	No	Yes	
18	Rogers, Ivette	BTU Steward (or designee)	Yes	No	
19	Shasa, Jodi	Teacher	Yes	No	
20	Shulman, Sandra	Teacher	Yes	No	
21	Simon, Christine	Parent	No	Yes	

Mazorra, Michelle teacher M. Mazorra