



**Tequesta Trace Middle School
School Advisory Council (SAC) & School Advisory Forum (SAF) Minutes**

Date of SAC Meeting:	January 8, 2026
Meeting Called to Order at:	8:22 am
Has a Quorum Been Established?	Yes
SAC Chairperson:	Melyssa Silva

UNAPPROVED UNTIL FEB 5, 2026 SAC MEETING

Welcome Message/SAC Dates:

Ms. Silva welcomed us back after the new year and confirmed there will be no SAF meeting today due to Mr. Fleming's absence. She reviewed and finalized last month's minutes, completed the A+ vote, and submitted documents for district approval. Ms. Silva updated the wording in the A+ minutes and will resubmit all documents for approval and payment, along with the approved SAC minutes.

We went through the minutes, part by part – Ms. Silva notated that the changes requested by the district based on A+ funding documentation feedback – all modifications to the minutes (rewording) in red within the minutes.

Approval of minutes for previous meeting on:	December 4, 2025
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- **Firsts: Ms. Stephanie Diez**
- **Seconds: Ms. Catherine Turner**
- Any questions? No questions – all approve the minutes.

Unanimous – minutes are approved.

Outcome of the approval process: The meeting on December 4, 2025 has been approved and minutes are ready to be submitted.

School Updates from Principal, Mr. Rivera:

Mr. Rivera reported our PM2 testing results: we remain the district's top performers. He explained VAM (Value Added Model) and how we contribute to students' academic growth and overall success. Our progress is positive, and we thank the community for its support.

Currently, we're preparing for exams, transitioning 8th graders to high school, and meeting incoming 6th graders. Next week during Cougar Craze (1/15), we'll welcome new students – incoming 6th grader orientation.

Mr. Rivera will continue to be available in the morning and afternoon car loop for any questions.

Review of School Accountability and School Recognition Funds at Tequesta Trace Middle School:

- **Amount in School Accountability Funds: \$7,217.64**
- **Amount in School Recognition Funds: \$2,943.97 (From previous A+ money).**

Discussion on Funds: Ms. Silva mentions that SAC is the entity that decides and determines how those above funds are used. If anyone, voting member or guest, has any ideas or recommendations, they can bring those ideas to the group for discussion and then the voting members of SAC can vote on a well thought out proposal. At any time, someone can bring an idea to the floor for discussion.

Mr. Rivera mentions that originally we were going to come to SAC for use of funding for Math IXCEL and iReady for certain students who require more support in reading. Mr. Rivera was able to find alternative funds for those resources – the SAC funds, accountability and recognition, can be used for other things.

SIP Data/Discipline – Mrs. Henry:

SIP GOAL UPDATES BY DEPT:

FAST Data

	PM1	PM2	PM3	Goal
Proficiency	62%	72%		80%
Learning Gains	38%	51%		70%
Bottom 25th Learning Gains	26%	41%		65%

Recent FAST ELA PM2 scores show that students are making adequate progress towards our SIP goals (see above). Teachers have analyzed their students’ PM2 FAST ELA data to determine strengths and plan for weaknesses. We will discuss those plans in admin/teacher data chats, and teachers will conduct data chats with their students.

PLC Focus-

Students in ELA will take a mock writing test by the end of January in preparation for BEST Writing on 3/31. Teachers are being very intentional to align lessons and activities to the rigor of the standards in preparation for ELA FAST PM3 on May 6.

Grades 6–8 and Pre-Algebra students completed the **FAST PM 2 Test**, which measures progress toward state standards. Our results showed that 60% of our students are currently scoring a level 3 or above.

- **Algebra and Geometry** students participated in the **Broward County District-Wide Assessment**, designed to evaluate mastery of advanced math concepts. Our results showed that 90% of our Algebra students and 95% of our Geometry students are currently showing proficiency on all standards they have been taught so far this year.

SIP Goal: The percentage of 8th grade students in Physical Science scoring proficient or higher on the SSA will increase from 67% to 69% by May 2026 as measured by the Statewide Standards Assessment.

BSA Results – Cumulative assessment for semester 1

Biology - 31% of the County middle school biology students demonstrated mastery with 33% achieving near mastery. 66% of TTMS students demonstrated mastery and 31% achieved near mastery.

Physical Science - 33% of the County physical science students demonstrated mastery with 30% achieving near mastery. 45% of TTMS students demonstrated mastery and 34% achieved near mastery.

GEARS 2 - 51% of the County GEARS 2 students demonstrated mastery with 34% achieving near mastery. 75% of TTMS students demonstrated mastery and 24% achieved near mastery.

Civics scored an 84% proficiency on the Q2 Civics exam, up from an 80% in Q1 Civics Exam.

Our lowest 30th percentile students landed at 68% proficiency, up from a 66% proficiency in Q1.

Students are making adequate progress toward our SIP Civics Goal (88% Proficiency)

Overall – we are on track and expected to exceed and/or meet expectations based on last year's performance.

SESIR Events:

We had 5 SESIR events in November and 0 SESIR events in December. SESIR events are major events that schools are required to report to the state.

BTU Updates – Varetta Cooper, BTU Steward at TTMS:

Ms. Cooper reported no current BTU updates. The union is reviewing referendum funds and health insurance, with more details expected after the next meeting in two weeks.

New Business at TTMS:

We always have new and exciting events happening at our school. Master scheduling will begin this month with our elementary schools in our area. Eighth graders have already met with Cypress Bay High School and Western High School. For high school matriculation and scheduling details, students can refer to Ms. Johnson's 8th grade Canvas page. Mr. Rivera will provide updates about high school scheduling as soon as they are available.

The 7th grade dance is set for January 16, 2026, with a Luau theme. The 7th grade trip to Sea World is scheduled for February 12, 2026.

Ms. Rosario reported that our reading teachers lead the south area in segments completed. The reading challenge runs until May, and Celebrate Literacy Week is scheduled for late January.

Next SAC Meeting Date:	February 5 , 2026
SAC Meeting Adjourned at:	8:43

NO SAF MEETING FOLLOWING THIS MEETING. SAF MEETING WAS CANCELED.