



## Challenger Elementary School

A Title 1 School

School Advisory Council (SAC) Meeting

Location of Meeting: Challenger Elementary School Media Center

January 23, 2026

8:00 A.M.

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### **Minutes - Informational Meeting**

**Attendance:**

Tiffany Haynes  
Tara Zdanowicz  
Claudine Dunbar-Creary  
Sarah Divine  
Joe Gardiner  
Staci Silverman  
Marsha Stephenson  
Chelsea Delancy  
Jennifer Fowler  
Kelly Barbera  
Tia Holness  
Willard Delancy  
Raquel Lopez  
Marie Aime

1. A meeting of the Challenger Elementary School, School Advisory Council was held in the media center on January 23, 2026. Tiffany Haynes called the meeting to order at 8:05 AM. Jennifer Cacciola is absent, Ms. Dunbar will record minutes for this meeting.
2. Tiffany Haynes motioned to approve the minutes of December 19, 2025, Joe Gardiner second the motion.

3. **SAC Accountability Funds-** Tiffany Haynes  
\$1,808 (January 2026) At the next meeting we will have a discussion about the use of the funds.
4. **SAC Updates- Tiffany Haynes**  
A+ Funds: Total: \$ 63,971-Ms. Garber has processed the paperwork to release A+ Funds. Funds should be released in February. Final Amount: 3 Staff Members received \$150 (School Psychologist, Social Worker, and ESE Family Counselor). Remaining Staff: \$698.03 Remaining Funds: \$0.07. Our SAC Co-Chair Ms. Cacciola has stepped down, will remain as Secretary to assist. Due to changes in the district, SAC Quarterly meetings will be recorded for a later viewing. Any updates provided, Tiffany Haynes will share at the next meeting. If anything is urgent, she will send an email.
5. **Principal Report-Ms. Zdanowicz**  
Ms. Zdanowicz attend the Area Advisory meeting. She presented information on student testing. She shared how Challenger uses the testing data. A lot of the discussion for the meeting was centered around student assessments. The parents at the meeting feel that students are taking too many assessments. Students have completed PM2 testing and currently finishing up iReady diagnostic testing. Data is showing an upward trend. Staff will be having data conversations with the students. Looking to do a PreK-12 model with Millennium- More information to come.
6. **Safety/School Wide Behavior Update/SESIR Report: Intern Principal Claudine Dunbar-Creary**  
No SESIR incidents, Referrals are down when compared to this time last year. We will be providing incentives to motivate the upper grades.
7. **Title I Updates/P.F.E.P- Kelly Barbera (Title I Liaison)**  
We will be making some decisions at the next meeting for next year's Title I plan.
8. **Data and Testing Updates-Tia Holness (Student Support)**  
Challenger was picked to participate in the The National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP), known as "The Nation's Report Card," test for 4<sup>th</sup> grade students. It is a random selection of 4<sup>th</sup> graders and they will test on February 5th .

**Meeting Adjournment:**

Motion: Tiffany Haynes motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:45am. Motion carried unanimously.

Submitted by,

Tiffany Haynes

**Position:** SAC Chair

**Approval Date:**

3/27/2026

**Next Meeting: February 27, 2026**

**\*SAF Meeting will be held immediately following SAC meeting. \***

