City-wide PTO Meeting

November 1, 2017 5:30pm – 7:00pm

RHS Learning Commons

Goals:
1) Foster effective communication between the school department, parents, and the community
2) Provide a forum to discuss and address concerns/questions

Minutes:

- Introductions (5 min)
- Next Generation MCAS
  - Presentation by Mr. Costa, Director of STEM Education and Dr. Porter, Director of Humanities
    Presentation can be found at: https://tinyurl.com/RPSPTO
    Participants were provided with a hardcopy of the PowerPoint
  - Activity – sample score report of a 7th grade student provided
    Participants practiced reading the report and made observations from the data
  - Shared Practice Tests – sample items
    Reviewed toolkit available to students and technology enhanced questions
  - Question – What type of test taking strategies do you think might be important for students on MCAS 2.0? (Practice with use of technology, use the toolkits, use scrap paper)

Q&A
Q: Are students going to be placed in middle school and high school based on MCAS tests? Or on multiple data points?
A: District wide assessments (Mastery Connect, Performance on MCAS inform initial placement)
    Placements are fluid in middle school and can move once in middle school.

- Open Forum
  Parents will email if there are any agenda items that come up...