

Non-Certified Advisory Council Q&A

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Have all Teacher Assistants been hired?

We currently have two Teacher Assistant openings. One at PWM and one at PES. Interviews are currently being scheduled. - Dianne Meiggs

Can Elementary schools have resource officers? If so, what is the criteria?

The state allots funds for SROs only for secondary schools. Thus, SROs for elementary schools would be a local expense. While we would like to be able to fill every need, the local budget was reduced this year and additional personnel in one area would mean losing something else as a trade-off. The current SROs are available when called to elementary schools. - Larry Cartner

Our non-certified staff would like to know if they will be getting rewarded for perfect attendance?

We can certainly discuss any ideas you might have. - Larry Cartner

While the weekly recognition program is a nice idea, there are certain groups that are excluded from ever having an opportunity to be spotlighted. The staff at Central Office and Edgewood are not included - both certified and noncertified. There are also staff in schools who are there every day, but are technically not a part of the school's staff, so they will be constantly overlooked. There should be a way to make sure that the entire district has the opportunity to be nominated for their contributions to their positions.

All itinerant personnel are assigned to a school for payroll purposes, and thus are eligible for consideration by the principal. This program was created to recognize school-based personnel. The business partners were recruited based on recognition of school-based personnel. We can certainly look at expanding the program next year. - Larry Cartner