

Miller Curriculum Advisory Committee (MiCAC)

May 5, 2021 Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Amy Steele (Principal), Ling-Ling Chern (7th/8th teacher), Richard Kuan (6th/7th teacher), Jane Cu/Michelle Yau (8th reps), Danci Huang/Rachel Yuen (7th reps), Ralph Lao/Sukma Sumali/Jenny Wang(6th reps)

Principal's Report (Ms. Steele):

- Final phase of hybrid schedule will continue to the end of this school year
- Last two days of school adjusted; School day will end right before lunch time around noon.
- CIPCO officially approved the budget for next school year
 - In the budget, there was another 10k in supplemental fund for translation work in social studies curriculum material and supplemental sub.
- Material collection dates
 - students will return their material in class for in person learner.
 - Online learner will be assigned a time to campus in the afternoon in last two days of school.
- 8th grade Campus Drive-thru Celebration on Wed June 2nd
 - all 8th graders will pick up lawn sign and goodie bag provided by Miller PTA
 - CLIP students also need to pick up a bag of gifts/plaque provide by CLIP
- 8th grade graduates will officially get certificate at the last day of school day.
- 8th Graduation Virtual Ceremony is only for 8th graders on June 8, 2021
- CLIP 8th Grade Virtual Celebration on Sat, May 29, 2021 @ 10:00am
- Plans for next school year still uncertain; hoping to open schools, but may provide online option

Assistant Principal's Report (Mr. Marquez):

- We will be sending out info regarding 8th grade promotion soon. CLIP Graduation pickup will be set for Wednesday, June 2.

Mr. Kuan's 6th/7th grade report:

6th grade Social Studies:

- Finally in last unit, Unit 5-Ancient Roman. Starting from last week, students will read two lessons per week. TCI notebook is reduced.
- One last Clipart – Roman Art.
- One last Uniform Ancient Greece – student will write a historical fiction.

6th grade Chinese:

- Talk about “Journey to the West”. Discuss some real characters, real location and real event in the journey, writing a short fiction.
- Last lesson for Mandarin learning about real characters.

7th grade Chinese:

- Last lesson is about a reflection
- Students will 1-2 pages essay for reflection on learning Mandarin Chinese.

Ms. Lin's 7th grade report:

Social Studies:

- 7th grade SS is on the last unit of Modern Europe, as we learn about Renaissance, Reformation, Age of Exploration, Scientific Revolution, and Enlightenment. Students are doing biography research of Renaissance figures and making a "Facebook page" to present each figure in small groups. They will

soon have a chance to do biography research individually as we will be studying more figures of these times.

Ms. Chern's 7th/8th grade report: *Parents, Ms. Chern welcomes any feedback you might have in regard to what's working or not working for your child/ren.*

- G8 SS students completed their project interviewing a Chinese-speaking speaker. Most students interviewed a family member. A few highlights of student reflections are:

- a. A student helps his mom finding the Chinese characters of her name.
- b. The pull-and-push factors that were involved in parents' immigration decisions.
- c. Grandma doesn't feel safe being alone out in the community.
- d. Some people feel the American society is "chaotic", not as democratic and safe as before.

- May is the AAPI Heritage Month. Students will do a digital art activity involving art patterns from various cultures. This activity is provided by the Asian Art Museum.

- 8th-grade classes will have a virtual program with presenters from Fort Ross in Sonoma County. This is a fee-based program and is paid for with the CLIPCO fund.

- 7th-grade and 8th-grade students are doing note cards for this non-profit organization "Heart of Dinners" in New York. We turn in note cards to the Miller Student Council and they will be sent to the organization. Eventually, they will be in the hands of the elderly that the organization serves.

- [Video of 2020 ANCCS winners](#)

If there are any questions, please feel free to contact your MiCAC grade level representatives.