

Las Américas ASPIRA Academy
Head of School Update
February 28, 2019

2019-2020 Enrollment Update

- Based on lottery held on January 26th, email invitations were sent February 22nd to ninety Kindergarteners and fifty 7th graders.
- New Student/Family Orientation sessions will be held in March in person, along with registration.

Grade	Active	W/D	Total
KN	301	32	333
01	84	3	87
02	72	3	75
03	65	3	68
04	52	2	54
05	53	2	55
06	105	5	110
07	80	2	82
08	17	1	18
09	0	0	0
10	0	0	0
11	0	0	0
12	0	0	0
Total:	829	53	882

Modification Requests

- Minor: Enrollment increase for 2019-200 school year from 780 to 897 - **APPROVED**
- Major: Adding grades 9-12 to grade configuration beginning 2020-2021 school year
 - Timeline
 - CSAC Meeting: January 29th @1pm in Cabinet Room (Dover)
 - Public Hearing #1: February 11th @5pm in Newark Public Library (rescheduled twice due to inclement weather; held on Monday, February 25th @5pm in Dover)
 - Initial CSAC Report Delivered: February 4th
 - School Response Due: February 19th
 - CSAC Meeting: March 12th @1pm in Cabinet Room (Dover)
 - Final CSAC Report Delivered: March 19th
 - Public Hearing #2: April 8th @5pm in Newark Public Library
 - Public Comments Closes: April 12th
 - Secretary of Education Decision to State Board: April 18th

School Culture & Climate – Discipline Report

	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	2015-2016 AVERAGES AND TOTALS	2014-2015 AVERAGES AND TOTALS
School year: 2015-2016													
Incidents per day / Average	11	22	25	17	17	10	11	10	11	13	N/A	14.7	N/A
Detentions/Total	0	2	9	14	10	11	6	11	10	8	N/A	81	15
Suspensions/Total	4	16	6	2	3	6	11	5	9	11	N/A	73	36
Suspensions per Trimester 2015-2016													
T1 = 26 suspensions													
T2 = 22 suspensions													
T3 = 25 suspensions													
	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	2016-2017 AVERAGES AND TOTALS	2015-2016 AVERAGES AND TOTALS
School year: 2016-2017													
Incidents per day / Average	7	15	9	10	9	6	10	14	10	9	5	9.5	14.7
Detentions/Total	0	3	1	1	0	3	9	10	6	15	0	48	81
Suspensions/Total	0	1	5	8	6	3	14	14	11	12	5	79	73
Suspensions per Trimester 2016-2017													
T1 = 14 suspensions													
T2 = 23 suspensions													
T3 = 42 suspensions													
	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	2017-2018 AVERAGES AND TOTALS	2016-2017 AVERAGES AND TOTALS
Current school year: 2017-2018													
Incidents per day / Average	6	18	14	17	9	10	11	14	13	12	5	11.7	9.5
Detentions/Total	0	1	14	3	18	9	4	2	4	27	0	82	48
Suspensions/Total	0	4	13	2	6	13	14	8	4	18	0	82	79
Suspensions per Trimester 2017-2018													
T1 = 19 suspensions													
T2 = 33 suspensions													
T3 = 30 suspensions													
	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	2018-2019 AVERAGES AND TOTALS	2017-2018 AVERAGES AND TOTALS
Current School Year 2018-2019													
Incidents per day/average	5	13.2	13.4	11.9	15	12.9	12.4					12.0	11.7
Detentions/Total	0	6	9	1	0	0	0					16	82
In-School Suspensions/Total	0	1	7	8	6	7	6					35	N/A
Out-of-School Suspensions/Total	0	3	6	2	7	1	1					20	82
FYIs/Total	4	90	152	78	114	129	74					641	N/A
Bus Referrals/Total	2	23	20	26	22	14	11					118	N/A
Suspensions per Trimester 2018-2019													
T1 = 21 suspensions													
T2													
T3													
<i>*This information is based on a total of 103 school days ranging from 8/27/18 until 2/22/19. *Averages thus far</i>													

Culture and Climate Update – February 2019

- February is National I Love the Bus month. This is an opportunity to show the importance of the yellow school bus in our school community and show appreciation for the school bus drivers who safely transport our Aspirantes to and from school every day. Our bus drivers were honored on Wednesday, February 27th for their hard work and dedication to our school.

- Today we had our character celebration for our second trimester, highlighting the character strengths for December, January, and February: positive mindset and inquiry. Students and staff competed in inquiry challenges and there was a skit and special performance by our ASPIRA Step Team, under the direction of their coach, Mrs. Keaira Fana-Ruiz.

Visual & Performing Arts Update

- Hosted our 3rd Annual Art Show in conjunction with our 3rd Annual Unity Event on February 15th.
- Students in the Performing Arts department performed in their 2nd annual musical, **Seussical Jr.**, which was held this past Friday and Saturday evening.
- Students in choir and band are preparing for their Spring Concert (May 15th & 17th) and Music in the Parks (May 24th).

Athletics Update

From the desk of the Athletic Director Corey Fortunato

ASPIRA Academy Athletics is nearing the conclusion of the winter sports season! We have three sports competing – girls' basketball, boys' basketball, and cheerleading. Our winter sports teams have experienced tons of success this season, led by our Girls' Basketball team's 7 win season!

- 🏀 Boys' Basketball – 3 wins 7 losses
- 🏀 Girls' Basketball – 7 wins 1 loss

Spring sports are fast approaching. Once again, ASPIRA will offer baseball, softball and girls' soccer. Please see the full schedule on ASPIRAacademysports.com. Thank you!

Academic Excellence Committee Update

- Presentation to be given by Emily Edmonds-Eveland and Instructional Coaches (Krissy Giordano, Kim Whyte, Mike Reitemeyer and Amber Metz).