

Family and Community Engagement Meeting Minutes

Meeting Time: 3:44 PM, Wednesday May 6th, 2026

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Academic Updates & Student Success

The meeting opened with a review of recent academic highlights and the success of community outreach events.

- **Middle School Night:** The event was noted as a success.
- **Testing Preparation:** State testing was well-prepared, and preliminary scores are looking positive.
- **Course Registration:** Registration for next year is underway, with electives being locked in to ensure proper scheduling.
- **Curriculum Focus:** Seniors are focusing on Business Finance, while Freshmen are introduced to JTED (Joint Technical Education District) programs.
- **Showcase Projects:** The school continues to prioritize Project-Based Learning (PBL) and Senior Civic Action Projects as an annual goal.

End-of-Year Calendar & Graduation

A significant portion of the meeting was dedicated to the busy May schedule.

Date	Event	Details
May 9	Social Mixer	7:00 PM – 10:00 PM at Kingan Gardens
May 14	Yearbooks	Distributed after school, likely on the Patio
May 14–15	Senior Finals	Final exams for the graduating class

May 18–21	Senior Week	No seniors on campus except for graduation rehearsal
May 19	Rehearsal	JTED ceremony and ITHS graduation rehearsal at 8:00 AM
May 20	Graduation	7:00 PM at the North Kino Complex
May 20–21	Underclassman Finals	Periods 2, 4, 6 and 1, 3, 5; 12:10 PM early dismissal

Graduation Notice: Please be advised that there is a strict "No Balloons" policy at the graduation ceremony. NHS regalia, including cords and pins, have been ordered.

Logistics & Safety Reminders

As we wrap up the semester, a few housekeeping items and safety protocols remain in effect:

- **Finals Policy:** No backpacks are allowed on campus during finals days.
- **Equipment:** The administration is currently finalizing dates for student laptop collection.
- **Attendance:** While the "Senior Sunset" event in May occurred, attendance was lower than anticipated.
- **Staffing Updates:** The school is **fully staffed** for the upcoming year. We are currently hiring for one remaining monitor position and a new attendance clerk.

Summer Programs & 2026-2027 Outlook

Planning for the summer and the next academic year is already well underway.

- **Summer School:** Currently, 1,520 students are enrolled; hours are 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM.
- **Freshmen Academy:** Designed for students in grades 6–10, running from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM.
- **Enrollment:** There are currently 388 students enrolled for the 2026-2027 school year.
- **First Day of School:** Classes will officially resume on **August 16th, 2026**.

Action Items & Future Meetings

- **Discussion Required:** Need to finalize field trip funds and review tax credit updates.
- **Governance:** Updates on member voting were noted.
- **Upcoming Meeting Dates:**
 - N/a