Site Council 2/12/18

Jennifer Kirkwood presented about upcoming Title Math night. It will be March 20th 5:30-7:00 pm. Jamie Massie will present to families about new math curriculum, games will be in classrooms, dinner will be served.

McCornack has been chosen as an AVID elementary school. There is grant money that will provide training to staff. AVID is a program to help increase student achievement through goal setting, organization and individual learning. There is a 6K run on April 8th to help provide funding for the AVID program. Students and adults can enter.

Human Dignity assembly is on Wednesday, February 14. 5th grade student leaders are working on the assembly. Students will learn the history of the Dignity Creed, sing the Will I Am song, show a video they created and Christian Leon Leon will give a speech. The assembly is important to remind students of the importance of dignity. Racial slurs were found written on the side of the building just last week. Questions were asked about what follow up would come to help keep the dignity conversation going. What about the garden space? Possible art projects or parent recess involvement. Parent communication would be helpful providing information about the Dignity Creed, what it is about and how it is approached at McCornack. What steps are taken when an incident occurs? Discipline referrals are written, students involved meet with counselor and/or principal and restorative justice process is walked through and parents are contacted and then are reported to police. Students involved meet with counselor and/or principal and restorative justice process is walked through, parents are contacted.

How can we connect Site Council and PTO to strengthen the parent involvement piece? Would a survey be helpful to learn more about what helps people volunteer? How do we communicate with parents that their presence in school is valued? What obstacles keep parents from volunteering? Ways to help involve the community? Idea from Texas: Bring your dad to breakfast event and ask for other volunteers to come and fill in for student's whose dad was not able to attend.