

**Gullett Elementary
School Advisory Council (SAC)
August 28, 2024**

Purpose	Promise
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To serve in an advisory capacity to the Principal regarding school improvement.• To assist in the preparation and evaluation of the School Improvement Plan (SIP).• To provide input on the budget and use of school improvement funds.• To collaborate as a school and community in order to provide quality educational opportunities for all Gullett students.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To communicate openly and respectfully.• To listen thoughtfully, ask questions, and offer opinions.• To make meetings informative and provide opportunities for parent involvement.• To place cell phones on vibrate.

SAC Members Present

- Allison Albright
- Ashley Keen-Ramirez
- Christopher Lipkin
- Cristina Holland
- Danielle Di Silvestro
- Lauren Glass
- Matt Clayton
- Melissa Conway
- Jennifer Bates
- Todd Richardson

SAC Members Absent

- Annie DeVito
- Erica Ailes

SAC Meeting Minutes

August 28, 2024

- 1. Review and Approve Meeting Minutes from May 15,2024**
 - a. Motion to approve by Danielle D.
 - b. Second by Ashley R.
 - c. Minutes approved at 5:25pm

2. Curriculum Update

- a. New science and social studies textbooks for this school year.
- b. School grade A received. Ranked #7 overall amongst ALL Manatee County schools (all levels).
- c. District is doubling down on learning gains (which hovers around 50-60%) vs. proficiency (which hovers around 80%).
- d. School improvement plan will be available during the next SAC meeting for approval.

3. Unit Allocation Update

- a. Enrollment is frozen at Gullett until at least August 2025.
 - i. About 200 NEW Gullett students this year.
- b. No more teachers/staff needed due to enrollment freeze but in process of filling one P.E. teacher position.
- c. Freedom gained about 120 students when enrollment was closed.

4. East County Schools Construction Update

- a. On track for August 2025 open of K-5 only.
 - i. Between 680-800 students in elementary only.
 - ii. K-8 will be about 1,500 kids total when the middle school is open.
 - iii. Middle school opening/roll out is not yet planned.
- b. The current plan is to open elementary as a choice school for to Gullett-zoned families only for the August 2025 scheduled open.
- c. No other decisions on student placement have been made, but there will be discussions for whole-district re-zoning starting in January and will continue over 12-18 months. School district website board minutes may contain additional information as time goes on.
 - i. When the East County middle school opens, Artisan Lakes and Rutland/Rye will open two new schools.
 - ii. This means it is likely some neighborhoods/families will be re-zoned and moved to different schools than they are currently attending. Again, no formal decisions have been made and those discussions have not been started.
 - iii. School choice typically opens in December for the following school year.

5. SAC Member Nominations Open

- a. Voting for new members will be held during the September 18 meeting.
- b. If you're interested in being on the ballot for the vote, please reach out to Cristina Holland, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Gerhardt, or Mrs. Collins.
- c. There is only president, chair, and then the voting membership of the SAC, which totals around 10 members.

6. Open Questions/Topics

- a. HS on Rangeland slated to open August 2027. This is not set in stone.
- b. New state of FL security measure enacted as of August 1, 2024. Every exterior building door, learning space, and gates must be locked when kids are on campus.

- c. District guest speakers will join the September or October to talk about the November ballot that will include continuation of millage to help STEM, art, music, and teacher stipend.
- d. Re-zoning will target to have all schools at the capacity they were/are built for.

7. Adjourn

- a. Motion to adjourn by Danielle D.
- b. Second by Chris L.
- c. Meeting adjourned at 6:05pm