

# **PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES:**

## **WHAT SHOULD YOU EXPECT?**

February 20 & 22 - evening only- 5-7 p.m.

February 23 - morning only (no school for students) 8- 11 a.m.

**\*All Conferences will be held in the gymnasium.**

**No scheduled appointments this year. (Arena Style-1<sup>st</sup> come 1<sup>st</sup> served)**

**Enter through door #11 in the courtyard**

- **A two-way conversation**

Like all good conversations, parent–teacher conferences are best when both people talk and listen. The conference is a time for you to learn about your child’s progress in school:

- Ask to see data about your child’s attendance, grades, and test scores.
- Find out whether your child is meeting school expectations and academic standards.
- This is also a time for the teacher to learn about what your child is like at home.
- When you tell the teacher about your child’s skills, interests, needs, and dreams, the teacher can help your child more.

- **Opportunities and challenges:**

- Just like you, teachers want your child to succeed.
- You will probably hear positive feedback about your child’s progress and areas for improvement.
- Be prepared by thinking about your child’s strengths and challenges beforehand.
- Be ready to ask questions about ways you and the teacher can help your child with some of his or her challenges.

- **Make a plan**

- Write down the things that you and the teacher will each do to support your child. You can do this during the conference or after.
- Write down what you will do, when, and how often.
- Make plans to check in with the teacher in the coming months.

- **Talk to your child**

- The parent–teacher conference is all about your child, so don’t forget to include him or her.
- Share with your child what you learned.
- Show him or her how you will help with learning at home.
- Ask for his or her suggestions.