



Board of Education COMMITTEE REPORTS

JULY 9, 2020

Culture, Climate & Community Relations

The Culture, Climate & Community Relations Committee met on June 16, 2020 to discuss pending projects including positive messages at Conackamack, Rutgers and other partnerships, and vision health awareness.

- 1. Positive Messaging at Conackamack:** Messaging has been selected and is ready to implement upon return to school. This initiative will be brought to Schor School in 2020-2021.
- 2. Dylan's Wings:** After review of the Dylan's Wings mentoring program. The Director of Special Projects will incorporate some of the methods this program advances into our own research-based mentoring program.
- 3. Rutgers and Corporate Partnerships:** Following a goal of building partnerships with colleges, universities, local corporations, and businesses, the Administration worked with the Rutgers Division of Diversity, Inclusion and Community Engagement to provide student volunteers for Education Foundation and school events. The District had also extended an invitation to author Susan Robeson, to read her book about her grandfather, Paul Robeson, at PiscatawayReads. With this year's program cancellation, we hope to include Ms. Robeson at a rescheduled event.
- 4. The Signia Safe Hearing Program:** To be held at PHS in October 2020, based on scheduling. The Administration will reach out to Signia in August.
- 5. Vision Services:** The discussed program, "Vision 2020" will be moved to May 2021 as a Healthy Vision Month initiative, and include messaging and a used glasses drive at schools.
- 6. New Business:** Committee Goals will be discussed in September.