

**CVLA School Site Advisory Board**  
**Tuesday, November 28, 2023**  
**Agenda and Notes**

**1. Who is in the room?**

- a. Ms Aka- teacher representative/CVLA cheerleader!
- b. Ms Velazquez- staff representative - share staff perspective and voice needs- volunteered because never been a part of school leadership. She wants to make a difference!
- c. Cris Guevara- 7th grade student representative- here to give the student's perspective- Most awesome student!!!!
- d. Anna Hadingham- work at La Colaborativa-partner organization to the school- provide jobs, mental health services, try to make jobs available to students and mental health services, Beloved paint night teacher for CVLA
- e. Eliana Ulloa-works at La Colaborativa Academic Success Coordinator , tutoring and post secondary success, career (resumes and interviews), CVLA senior involved in post secondary program :-)

**2. Student perspective on Web design class**

- a. Concern about Web design teacher not showing up- Ms Abril and Ms Maccini dealing with this.
- b. Ms Eli loves the 7th and 8th graders
- c. Chris liked coding better because he can make games. Now it is boring making slides talking about ourselves. Concern about class feeling repetitive
- d. Action steps:
  - i. Ms. Maccini will come to speak with middle school students (Ms V sees them 2nd period for science) Ms Maccini will come into Ms Aka's class.
  - ii. We have an art teacher Iliana V. (graphic design and photography) who will be teaching in January

**3. Increasing participation and engagement in Friday's mental health group**

- a. Friday's groups
  - i. Middle school group is going great! Regularly there are 11-12 students. Pretty good participation, mainly positive and there is participation in the chat.
  - ii. High school group- there are a handful of students logging on and participation is low- more youth and engaged.
  - iii. How many students are present during 6th period- 17 students (12 students every day...)
  - iv. The La Colaborativa is not optional- follow up
    - 1. Action Steps:
      - a. Participation points and credit (could this be attached to a core content class? Towards raising a grade in another class)

- b. Could we consider a half day once a month for students
  - c. Advisory challenge - can we tie this in- if members from your grade level attend- you get points and rewards (party, dinner...)
  - d. Eliana U and Peter can help hype up the rebranded group
  - e. Big announcement during nutrition break- about participation in La Collaborativa- this is a grade you are getting
  - f. Make sure the students know what this Friday is- Mental Health group, SEL group- to increase student ownership of learning and group.
  - g. Create tab for this for the CVLA Mental Health Group-
- v. Engagement strategies
  - 1. Some ideas for engagement- singing to students, "Be weird"
  - 2. Do a bunch of things- We are not moving forward until you say something- jamboard
  - 3. Action Step: Maybe have a half day in person at La Colaborativa? (Meg will discuss with Peter) Have lunch, then a class (art class?) then the mental health group
  - 4. Cameras- sometimes on- good conversations- Cris likes the class :-)

#### **4. Debrief of today's meeting**

- a. Rose- something different from Web design
- b. Excited about incorporating the strategies for better turnout at mental health groups- a lot of our students struggle with mental health and this is important for them to be there
- c. Rose- once the students get back to going to mental health group and participating and able to get their credits to put towards any subject- they can get extra credit to put towards their classes- something new and different
- d. Rose- came up with some strategies that will increase participation and attendance in service to students

#### **5. Next meeting is Monday, December 18, 2023 3:45-4:45**