

Rocky Mountain School of Expeditionary Learning
Developing Healthy Compassionate Scholars!

February, 12th 2026 – 3:45– 5:00 pm

District Accountability Committee Meeting

Tiffany's Office

Agenda Items

Call to order 3:49pm

1. Approval of November meeting minutes - approved
1. Executive Director Updates
 - a. Enrollment Updates- pulled the lottery last Wed. Good news:

K- 3- spots open, 12 applications

1st- 2 spots open, 8 applications

3rd- 4 spots open, 6 applications

4th- 0 open- 18 applications for 4th, 10 for 5th

6th- 25 open- 63 applications

7th- 8 open- 6 applications

8th- 4 open, 5 applications

9th- 11 open, 11 applications

10th- 12 open, 0 applications

11th- 5 open, 0 applications

- 6th grade shadow day- realizing how important that day is for screening kids to make sure this is the right fit
- Planning to do the same for 7/8th grade too. Will be a full day. Mixer at the end of the day to “hang” for Q and A. Happening in March.
- * Should we allow 6th grade families to pay after the shadow day next year?

- Should we work to get some positive reviews on yelp, reddit, google, greatschools and niche? Should work to ask specific people to do this rather than a general ask on field notes.
- Tiffany has asked at the Board meeting twice asking for access to phone numbers in districts. We have DPS access. Tiff is making sure it is legal to send school messenger messages before we do this. Anne Kiki says she will get Aurora numbers.
- Ski day for HS and raising freshman if you are staying
 - b. Budget Planning - Lindsay and Tiffany still working on this. Taking feedback on what the needs are. CNA has been very helpful for kids and Emerson, and everyone else. Hoping to try and figure out how to make her a staff member next year.
 - c. Personnel Updates- Tricha is great (new $\frac{2}{3}$ teacher). Intent to return in process: currently posted- Director of community and culture, and $\frac{7}{8}$ math not returning. Have a lot of applications for D of CC. Rachel Cram might have a lead on a math teacher (dad of a new student that just got in, this dad currently teaches HS).
 - d. Work Plan Progress- We have 3 work plan goals: mastery for knowledge and skill, Character, and high quality work. Did some walk through data, have iready data, teacher survey, Q1/Q3 student survey data- looked at data with EL design person. Presented to the staff. Next steps are rooted in “let’s learn from each other”, how can we use iready to drive instruction? What does it look like to help teach character here at RMSEL. Teachers/teams were given the opportunity to “choose their own adventure” and focus on different aspects of each.

1. High School Task Force Updates

-MB team starting next year

Ski club- (see above about ski day this spring)

College readiness and post secondary supports- Kat is going to help get resources to families. Maybe we do a family night one night in the late spring?

- In house shadow opportunity- trying it this year
- College pennants- several are up, would love more

- Share where kids are accepted and going to in field notes (celebrations!)
 - Collect what kids plan to study in college so we can share that data
 - Continue to collect where kids apply to and where they plan to go
 - Make sure to schedule kids sports pics for the Fall
1. Fieldwork Fees- do we want to go to the Board in the Fall to raise fees?
 - Are we committed to the trips we do?
 - Can we make financial aid more available?
 - Could we advertise that we can offer payment plans if we raise fees?
 - Could we use different criteria for who is eligible for financial aid structures?- Kat will research this
 - Would it help to come up with recs for the April meeting? - Yes
 - Tiffany and Lindsay will talk about what the ideal fee increases will look like for next meeting
 1. Other Business
 - How many people filled out survey? 60+
 - Which trips serve the kids best? Could we look at the existing trips and see if we could cut some costs without eliminating the trip?
 - Alby- how are things going with him?
 - Should we revisit Cherry Creek Schools for partnership?
 - RMSEL reviews - can we reach out to companies and see if people will remove bad reviews from a long time ago?
 - Should By-laws for DAC be looked at? Make sure we are doing what we say we are doing (how are they being addressed?)?

Meeting end: 5:00pm

1. Next Meeting:

April 9, 2026