APPENDIX V-61
African American Parent Conference

"Engage to Change"

SATURDAY
November 16th 2019
8:00am - 1:00pm
Welcome To The African American Parent Conference

There is no goal more important than creating and maintaining safe, supportive, and nurturing learning environments for every child in every school.

This year marks the fifth Annual African American Parent Conference and we are grateful you have chosen to take time out of your Saturday to collaborate with us. We thank you for engaging in workshops designed to support you in the continued academic and social development of your child. Initiatives like this year's parent conference are a success because of your active engagement. Research suggests that when schools, families, and communities support each other, students of all backgrounds achieve at higher levels.

Thank you for your commitment.

Gabriel Trujillo, Ed.D.
Superintendent

TUSD Governing Board
Adelita S. Grijalva, President
Rachael Sedgwick, Clerk
Bruce A. Burke
Leila Counts
Kristel Ann Foster
Agenda

8:00- 8:50am  Registration and Continental Breakfast

9:00- 9:15am  Pledge of Allegiance

Welcome
Dr. Gabriel Trujillo
Superintendent, Tucson Unified School District

Opening Remarks
Erica Maxwell
Associate Superintendent of Equity, Diversity & Inclusion
Arizona Department of Education

Introductions & Purpose
Jimmy Hart
Director, African American Student Services

Leslie Edwards
Executive Director, Educational Enrichment Foundation

9:15- 10:00 am  Keynote Address
Dr. Adolph Brown
Servant Leader | Author | Humorist | Master Teacher

10:15- 11:05am  Workshops — Session 1

11:15- 12:05pm  Workshops — Session 2

12:15- 1:00pm  Lunch in Cafeteria
Resource Fair & Networking
Entertainment
   Headquarters Dance Studio, John Williams
   She Phi Step Team

Turn in Survey

Gift pick up before you leave (while supplies last)

* Child Care Room: Palo Verde HS Family Resource Center (Downstairs)
Purpose
To inform and engage parent(s) or guardian(s) of African American students by providing them with the tools and resources for academic and career success.

Objectives
To achieve student academic success by encouraging parent(s) or guardian(s) to collaborate with all TUSD stakeholders.

To advocate for African American student academic success by strengthening partnerships with local African American organizations and community leaders.
Participating Partners

Quik Fix Phone Repair
Walmart Stores Inc.
Palo Verde Magnet High School
Educational Enrichment Foundation
Palo Verde Family Resource Center
Terra Cotta Building & Development
Mt. Olive Church of God & Christ
Emmanuel Grace Apostolic Church

Metropolitan Community Church
Goodwill of Southern Arizona
Community Food Bank of Arizona
Rising Star Baptist Church
She Phi Step Team
Grupo Bimbo
Zeta Phi Beta Sorority
Kings of Cookin'

African American Student Services Department

Director
Jimmy Hart
Program Coordinator
Wendell Jones
Administrative Assistant
Christina Chapa
Behavior Specialist
Eric Emerson
Behavior Specialist
Marissa Bell
Program Specialist
Katrina Messing
Advanced Learning Experiences

Program Specialist
College and Career Readiness
Kyra Harris
Program Specialist
Community Engagement & Outreach
Jeffrey Sawyer
Program Specialist
Discipline & Restorative Practices
Shermaine Fort
Response to Intervention- ELA
Grace Delajoux
Response to Intervention- ELA
Kevra Rich
Response to Intervention- Math
Robin Marks
Student Success Coach
Amy Gile
Student Success Coach
Braswell Chapelle
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Joseph Clark
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Richard Langford
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**Kids Zone, Gym Map**

![Map of Kids Zone Gym with stations labeled 1 to 5]

**Wristbands Colors & Rotation Schedule**

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Note from the Director

Jimmy Hart

We are grateful for the opportunity to serve students in Tucson Unified School District. We are also thankful for the continued collaboration and partnerships established within our Tucson Unified community, and greater Tucson community. Our committed team continues to serve students on a daily basis by fostering success through Academics, Advocacy & Empowerment, Attendance, Behavior & Social Development, and College and Career Readiness (the A, B, C’s of what we do). Our work is embedded in our district Multi-Tiered System of Support (MTSS) model. MTSS is designed to help all students succeed.

Over the past four months, we began to restructure how we provide services to our students, families and community. We believe the new structure will improve our ability to implement the A, B, C’s of what we do for our students. While it is important to focus on our new structure and services, below lists some accomplishments and highlights from the team of dynamic individuals working in AASSD during the 2018-2019 school year.

**SOME ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN THE 2018 – 2019 SCHOOL YEAR**

- Provided over $33,000 in scholarships to graduating seniors
- Partnered with TEEM Organization to host more than 700 students at the annual African American Youth Heritage Day Conference
- Hosted our annual African American Parent Conference at Palo Verde HS
- Hosted the annual Black History Month Brain Bowl at Utterback MS
- Collaborated with The State of Black Arizona for a STEM Summit
- Honored more than 1,500 students in grades K-12
- Specialist Jeff Sawyer was named District Classified Employee of the Year (Richard Langford won the prior year)
- Partnered with Pima College & TUSD departments for Parent University
- Provided “Too Cool Tuesday” tutoring at Tucson High School
- Supported schools through job-embedded professional development
- Provided college and career exposure through college visits and tours
- Assisted in boosting enrollment in college course while in high school

What we accomplished in the 2018 – 2019 year could not have been completed without a dedicated team, supportive district leadership and the many community stakeholders. Thank you to our many stakeholders who have invested their time and commitment to help students succeed.

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