

School Leadership Team

How YOU Can Be Involved In The BNS School Leadership Team.

The BNS School Leadership Team (SLT) is responsible for developing and reviewing the school's Comprehensive Education Plan (CEP) that sets the annual goals for the school. The SLT also provides a forum where issues specific to the BNS community can be addressed. The SLT welcomes all members of our community to attend monthly SLT meetings, raise issues for discussion or bring agenda items to

our Co-Chairs for consideration.

You do not have to be a member of the SLT to attend the meetings or to participate in most of our sub-committee work. Many great ideas and initiatives come out of our meetings and it is a great way to get to know the BNS governance structure and community.

About the SLT

The governance structure of BNS and BCS was revised several years ago and approved by the PTA. Under our current structure, we have one BNS/BCS PTA, which provides a forum for the exchange of information and communication affecting both schools.

The SLT provides an opportunity for families and staff to work together to establish the school's priorities, determine how the budget is spent and evaluate the school. The SLT encourages participation from all members of the BNS community and encourages a wide range of participation from the community. In addition to the SLT's mandate from the Chancellor's regulations, the BNS SLT welcomes appropriate agenda items and concerns from members of our community and encourages attendance at our meetings. The SLT is the primary vehicle for families and staff to have a direct impact on how the school operates and the SLT meetings are a place to have in depth discussions about issues affecting the school and of course, our children.

SCHOOL LEADERSHIP TEAM MEETINGS

The SLT meets monthly. Prior to this year, the BNS SLT and the BNS/BCS PTA meetings were held on the same night and covered a span of some three hours. This year, after a few SLT meetings were held, the SLT members decided to meet on a separate night from the PTA because many people felt the long SLT/PTA meetings were difficult to sustain throughout the evening. The SLT has also scheduled our meetings on different days of the week as well as at different times of day. This schedule change is an attempt to provide broader access to our meetings since we recognize that not everyone can attend meetings on the same given night and time each

HOW SLT MEMBERS ARE ELECTED

Everyone in our BNS community is encouraged to take part in SLT meetings. Each spring, families elect the official parent members of the SLT for the following school year. It's always an equal number of parents and staff. This year the election will take place on June 6th. If you're interested in becoming a member of the SLT, watch for announcements this spring!

CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have any questions or would like to bring an agenda item to the SLT for consideration, please contact one of our Co-chairs:

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