

The following is the Executive Director's report for November 17, 2024.

<p>Enrollment/ Attendance</p>	<p>Total Membership: 217 students Onsite: 149 (Onsite attendance is 83%) FlipSide/Virtual: 48 Kintsugi: 19</p> <p>Attendance is currently 86%.</p>														
<p>Academics</p>	<p>Freshman On Track Rate: The current FOT rate is 100% at the end of Q1. There are no students with 2 or more failures in core classes or projected to have less than 6 credits at the end of the school year.</p> <p>Interim II</p> <p>The 2nd interim assessment is scheduled for the week November 18th – 22nd.</p> <p>FlipSide Completion Rates</p> <p>Coursework Completion</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="435 1289 1416 1543"> <thead> <tr> <th>Course Completed</th> <th>Percentage of Students (19)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>0-1</td> <td>52%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2</td> <td>11%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3</td> <td>37%</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Hi-Set Test Passed</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="435 1656 1416 1869"> <thead> <tr> <th>Passed Test</th> <th>Percentage of Students (5)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>0-1</td> <td>40%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2-3</td> <td>40%</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Course Completed	Percentage of Students (19)	0-1	52%	2	11%	3	37%	Passed Test	Percentage of Students (5)	0-1	40%	2-3	40%
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Student/Families	<p>Student Development Days (Mental Health Awareness Days)</p> <p>Student Development Day, held on Friday, November 15th, provided an enriching opportunity for students to focus on balancing stress with engaging and restorative activities. The day featured a variety of wellness initiatives, including arts and crafts, rest and relaxation sessions, and a Silent DJ music party, offering students an enjoyable escape from academic pressures. Games, sports activities, and community drumming sessions further contributed to fostering teamwork, physical activity, and mindfulness. These interactive events were designed to help students manage stress while enhancing their social connections and overall well-being. Additionally, the day allowed students the flexibility to catch up on missed academic work, ensuring that their educational needs were still met alongside their personal growth.</p> <p>A unique highlight of the day was the group hike at Lakeside Nature Center in Kansas City, where a number of students, accompanied by staff, immersed themselves in the natural surroundings. This outdoor experience not only encouraged physical exercise but also offered a peaceful setting for reflection and stress reduction. Overall, Student Development Day was a successful blend of mental health support, physical activity, and academic recovery, offering students a holistic approach to maintaining balance in their lives.</p> <p>Block 37 Fall 2024</p> <p>Block37's after-school program, which began with 54 students, successfully concluded its 8-week session on Thursday, November 14th, with 36 students completing the program. Over the course of the program, these students earned more than 2,100 internship hours and collectively brought in over \$24,000 in salaries. The program provided valuable hands-on work experience, equipping students with skills while keeping them safe in fun engaging activities. Despite some attrition, the accomplishments of the participants highlight the impact of the program.</p>
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<p>Discipline</p>	<p>SY '23-24 – DLS had a total of out of school suspensions of 161 incidents. This resulted in an average of 16 suspension incidents per month. Our goal is to reduce suspensions by 25% in an effort to reclaim more learning time for students.</p> <p>We had 12 suspensions for the month of October.</p> <p>(See Scorecard for results)</p>
<p>Important Updates</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● DLS submitted the MOU for the bond with KCPS. The Missouri Charter Association is working with the schools on talking points to advocate for support on the bond with KC voters. ● The Board has received a draft of the renewal (attached to the report). The Commission is providing feedback on the draft and the staff is working on the edits. Encore will have the final document prepared for submission over the Thanksgiving Break. ● DLS was awarded 250K from the Kauffman Foundation. This is a capacity building grant that will focus on Teacher Quality, Recruitment and Retention efforts. ● The public hearing is scheduled for December 12th at 6 p.m. with a Board interview immediately after the hearing.