

Urban Choice Charter School
PAC Meeting #2-11/17/2022

- Parent and staff introductions
- Parents will know meeting dates in advance.
 - Send out email (1 week prior)
 - Phone call (day before each meeting)
- PAC meeting will be held every 3rd Thursday of the month from 5-6 pm.
- Parent/Teacher Conference Discussion
 - Parents shared that teachers were very clear and detailed about their child's learning.
 - Teachers explained the meaning and understanding of the newly standards-based report cards for students.
 - Teachers provided parents with suggestions that they could use at home to assist with student learning.
 - Parents were very pleased to receive NYS test scores and iReady test data for their child.
 - Parents were informed that test scores data is used to group students and guide instruction for student improvement.
- Discussed dismissal policy for picking up children
 - Parents shared that they felt the pick-up process during dismissal takes too long and that they have to stand out in the cold while waiting.
 - It was explained to parents that safety is UCCS' first priority to ensure that students are picked up by the authorized individual.
 - The CEO shared that UCCS is looking into implementing a new online system for parent pick-ups that includes generating an instant message to parents.
- Parents asked about the closing of school this past Monday
 - The CEO also shared that UCCS is working on improving and updating our school website as well as communication for families.
 - A parent shared that she did not receive the robo call for the closing of school. However, she did receive the email but did not check her email that morning.
 - The CEO shared that school was canceled for Monday due to a high number of staff and teacher absences due to sickness.
- Need parent volunteer for the Board Of Trustees meeting every 2nd Thursday of the month.
- Parent suggestions and questions discussed
 - Parents asked how is UCCS being proactive to prevent bullying?
 - Mr. Samuel shared that UCCS has implemented Restorative Practices as part of the school culture.
 - In addition, UCCS is actively looking for noticing's of our students such as, facial expressions, body language, and being accessible to students.
 - Students also have the opportunity to receive daily check-ins from preferred staff members to share any concerns, thoughts and feelings.
 - One parent expressed that she feels that UCCS is doing a great job with keeping the children safe and engaged in learning.
- Next parent meeting will be on December 15th.