

**Briarcliff PAC Meeting
April 10, 2018**

Present: Principal: Dr. Schlenoff, 6th grade representatives: Phil Corbo, Mary Giordano, 7th grade representatives: Tara Page, Beth O'Connor, 8th grade representatives: Jenny Lee, Lisa Lees, H&SA representatives: Courtney Hann, Hyun Lim, Erinn Tucker

Testing: PARCC Testing will be held over the first 2 weeks of May. The first week, Tues, Wed and Thurs, will cover Language Arts. The second week, Tues, Wed and Thurs, will cover Math. In addition, the 8th grade will take a 2 day Science test on 5/23 and 5/24.

New App: BC will be rolling out a new app called Anonymous Alert. A schoolwide assembly will be held on April 25th describing the app. Students will then return to their Advisory Groups and download the app in class. The app is meant to provide a safe, anonymous vehicle for students to alert the principal and/or guidance counselor of concerns they may have for themselves or other students – wellbeing, bullying, danger, etc..

Parent/Child Book Talk: Discussion of the book Posted will be held on 4/18 at 7:30 and is open to students and parents in grades 4-8.

Pasta & Pops: This will be held on 4/17. The 5th grade families are invited to come have dinner, sponsored by FOTA, followed by a tour of BC. The Jazz café and art show portion of evening will begin at 7pm. Desserts will be provided by H&SA.

Referendum: Everything is in place for construction to begin this summer. The BC administrative offices will be relocated downstairs during the summer months. There will be a period of time during the next school year when the students will need to eat lunch in their classrooms. Box lunches will be available for purchase.

Concern about video shown during class: Some 6th grade parents expressed concern over content included in a video shown during class. They questioned the appropriateness of the languages and images for 6th Graders. Dr. Schlenoff will address the issue with the faculty.

PEPS: Some parents are still not happy with the PEP selections and would like to see more instruction. Parents were reminded of the contractual restrictions and that 9th period is not an instructional period. They did move to offer study hall for those students that would rather get their homework done.