Budget Process

- Timing for releasing/finalizing school budgets: Feb/March
- New budgeting process for SY21/22, not much new for 20/21, except trying to tighten up the principal petition process
- Next year’s early projections: 352; ELL projections: 65 this year/79 next year (assumption is that we’ll have the same number of funded ELL positions)

Parent and Staff Surveys

- Is next year going to be the year we need to add classrooms per grade? Jen: Likely, at least in current 2nd and possibly PK. This means it’s likely the year we’ll need to make some difficult budget decisions.
- Parent survey changes: remove math and literacy as an option (they aren’t going away), ask a more open-ended question
- Non-mandatory positions we need to ask about: one coaching position, STEM, partner teachers in 1st and 2nd grade, reading and math specialists, psychologist, music, art
- Also need to do more communication so parents understand it; have Jen present in detail at Jan PTA mtg
- Open Survey Jan 15-22; discuss at Jan 23 LSAT mtg

Next Month - Planning for DME/DCPS Guests

- Alice and Sarah as co-chairs will lead the discussion
- Explain situation as we understand it:
  - Enrollment projections
  - 464 projections, not including City Ridge
  - Challenge formula for projections
    - 6 per 100, spread across - seems low, given changing demographics
    - Children more likely to be younger/share BRs
  - Ward 3 housing units - plans? How will that impact
  - Ask for their plans
- Asks:
  - Trailers (short-term)
  - Boundaries - Hearst is set to take the biggest hit with the major housing developments in the area, so we’d like to explore sharing it among nearby schools
  - Expansion of the school - Hearst has physical space to expand