

# RISING TIDE PARENTS GROUP

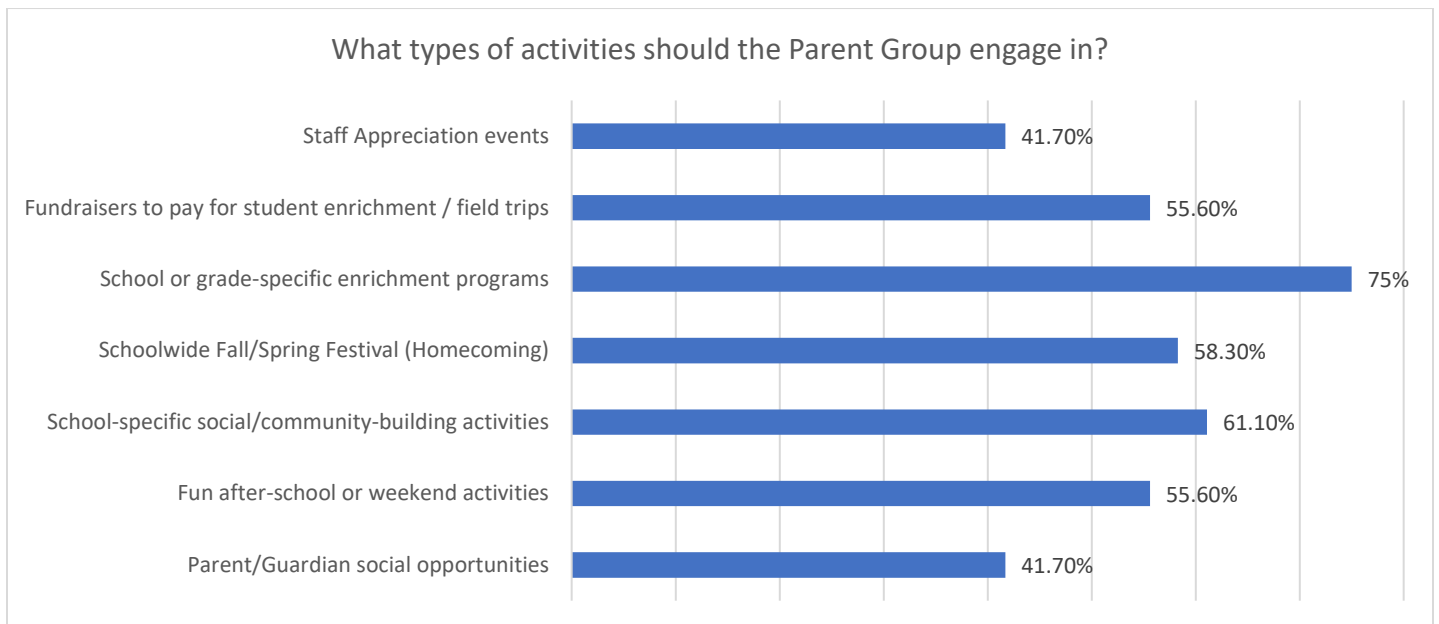
## June 15, 2022

### Meeting Notes

The meeting was convened at 6:30pm online.

#### Review of End of Year Parent/Guardian Survey

- 36 responses, representing families with students going to Middle School – 35; Upper School – 13; and graduating - 3
- 2/3 of respondents had participated in Parent Group activities last year; slightly less than 1/3 had not had the chance



#### Recommendations for other activities:

- Grade-level Parent Liaisons / family ambassadors
- Fundraisers to pay for student social opportunities
- Volunteer Opportunities in Middle School
- Rising Tide Family Directory
- School Safety / Emergency Response Group

#### Discussion of 2022-23 School Year

- **Should we do a Parent Survey again in the Fall?**
  - More participation at beginning of year
  - Way to engage interested parents

- **Parent Group visibility**
  - Open House / Back to School Night
  - First meeting in September
- **Parent Group meetings**
  - Offer virtual options for meetings
  - Consider alternating times of meetings – school days and evenings
  - Invite administrators to participate
- **Feedback on 2021-22 School Year Activities**
  - Muffins in the Morning
    - Great event
    - Do it earlier in the year
    - Split up grades; do 5th grade on its own
  - Teacher Appreciation activities
    - Keep Appreciation activities in May
    - What about other times of year?
  - Field Day snacks - better than MCAS snacks
- **Ideas for 2022-23 School Year**
  - Family Kick-off Day (coincide this with Homecoming)
  - Social Activities throughout the year
    - Bingo Nights
    - Movie Night – concerns raised that movies are too passive, not social opportunity
    - Family Pasta night – easy, family fun
  - Grade-level Parent Liaisons – way to coordinate and communicate grade-level activities, answer questions
  - Half-day Activities – with all Wednesdays ½ days in 22-23 school year, maybe Parent Group can help coordinate Wednesday afternoon activities