

PS 516 Sunset Park Avenues Elementary School Leadership Team (SLT)
September 8th, 2025

Start time: 4:45 pm - End time 6: 03pm

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Meeting ID: 941 6199 4836

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Present	Absent	Guests
Principal - Jessica Knudson UFT Rep - Gabe Radbel PTA President - Parent- Co-secretary - Erica Lessner Co-secretary Parent- Parent- - Co-chair- Co-chair - Timekeeper- \- Erica Doyle -Teacher CFL Coordinator- Olney Edmondson		

Agenda

Mission: The mission of the SLT is to provide a forum for parents, administrators, and staff to collaborate and function as a unifying voice that reflects the diversity of our student body. SLT is a space to enact change and enhance the quality of education at PS 516, with the goal of developing kids as people who have agency over themselves and their world.

[SLT Resources](#)

- Call to Order - 4:45pm

- Greeting - Anything interesting/ memorable that you did this summer?
- Hopes and Dreams

- New Roles- New date and start time Vote
 - Chairperson or co-chair - Benham
 - Secretary or co-secretary- Lessner
 - Timekeeper - Erica
 - Other roles -
 - What day of the week do we want to have SLT? Monday before PTA meetings?
 - What time do we want it to start -

- Principal's Report - 25 mins
 - a. share cell phone plan
 - b. CEP updates
 - c. staffing updates
 - i. New classroom teachers- Nilsa Mejia, Malka Zebede, Wendy Bai & Joshua Pineda
 - ii. Sara Panag- AP at 516 two days a week
 - iii. Benny Siam- STEAM- 2 days a week
 - d. set the dates/times for the rest of the year
 - i. Oct 21st- 4:40- 5:30
 - ii. Nov 3rd- 4:45
 - iii. Dec 17th- 4:40
 - e. DYCD updates/ next steps
 - i. Outreach
 - ii. Hearing on Sept 18th

- Teachers' Report -
 - a. None.

- Parents' Report -
 - a. LINKTREE <https://linktr.ee/ps516pta>
 - PTA
 - september/october events
 - Hispanic heritage event
 - Resource fair support
 - Halloween movie night- 10/24
 - Fun Run - end of October
 - T-shirt sales - \$15 teachers and ?, \$20

- T-shirt design contest - speak to Wilmot, coordinate with Respect for All
 - Update from Jody about immigration convos
 - coordinate with other PTAs to support
 - PTA tapped into resources
 - DOE has response team, know your rights resources, can respond quickly in case of detainment - call asap.
 - Disseminate information to families - what are the best ways to communicate with families.
 - Safety packet sent home to families (BRT) - include know your rights and other relevant information (Natalie)
 - Project Open Arms
 - hotline
 - resources for preparing for deportation and self deportation
 - How to protect when during vulnerable times (drop off/pick up, etc)
 - Apps
 - New members, families from last year kindergarten
- CFL Report
 - a. Parent orientation Wednesday at 5pm
 - i. SIS members present
 - b. First day of after school - 9/15 - 10 new people, staff training happening now.
 - c. Calendar of events/schedules sent out to families soon
 - DYCD
 - a. What can we do as a community to ensure that DYCD funding comes to PTA.
 - b. Jho and Olney meet to plan advocacy - get info out to families during family orientation for CFL at 516.
 - c. CFL funded this year - unclear if we are funded 2027. Unclear about Americorps funding after this year.
 - d. Hearing on 9/18 - advocacy for PS516 getting Compass funding.
 - i. Testimonies from parents
 - e. Parent advocacy for Superintendent Alvarez.
 - i. PTA WhatsApp mobilize
 - f. Knudson giving letter to DYCD staff member (connected through summer rising)
- New Business
- Public Comments
 - End time 6:03

Next Meeting- 10/21 - 4:40-5:30

11/3 - 4:45

12/17 - 4:40-5:30

