Parent Advisory Committee Foster Youth Subcommittee Meeting

Thursday, January 14, 2021

Chair/Facilitator: Mary Lee

Foster Youth are a vulnerable population of students who often need support and direction to be successful in school and life. Foster caregivers need support also on how to navigate the school system as well as understanding the importance of the "education rights holder" for students, as well as many other things. Our committee noted that there are many gaps in the system that make it difficult for foster caregivers and their students to know what's available to support them. We decided that we would like to make needed information and support services more easily accessible to that population. So we will be working on collecting information and providing that information to caregivers and students. Our intent is to work with our LAUSD Foster Care Unit, DCFS, Special Education and Mental Health services. For our February meeting we are requesting a report from our LAUSD Foster Care Unit. Additionally, we are hoping that the District will increase efforts to ensure that all non-filled foster care seats on the PAC are filled, so that we have full representation from all LAUSD areas.

Committee members: Lee Ann Nelson. Charline Nunez. Mary Lee