

Learning Improvement Team Parent Interest Form Foothills Middle School

Thank you for your interest in becoming a parent representative of Foothills Middle School Learning Improvement Team, or LIT (formerly SDMT). This is a group of parents, administrators, teachers, and classified staff who share responsibility for some of the decision-making that affects teaching and learning issues, as well as financial decisions regarding how specific funds may be used to support teaching and learning priorities and goals.

There are 3 positions available for parents on LIT. These are voting positions and are expected to fulfill the responsibilities listed below. There is also an alternate, which will be a non-voting position, but will attend in a voting capacity if one of the reps is absent, and will fill out the year for any voting member that leaves before yearend. The number of openings will vary each year, depending on the circumstances of the current parents.

Guidelines for the Selection Process of LIT Parent Reps

1. This process is open to all interested parents, except those that are employees of FMS. (Employees should apply through the staff procedure for LIT.)
2. In order to promote and reflect the diversity of our student population, we encourage representation of parents from each of the elementary schools that feed into Foothills Middle School.
3. We also encourage parent representation from each of the three grade levels as different issues may relate to different grades.

Responsibilities

1. Will be able to serve a minimum of 1 year and a maximum of 3 years.
2. Will consistently attend meetings held once a month (sometimes twice), between 3-5 p.m. weekdays.
3. Will attend FMS PTSA meetings to share LIT decisions.
4. Will be open and accessible to the concerns of FMS parents, and will communicate issues back to LIT.
5. Will occasionally write brief articles for the FMS PTSA newsletter regarding LIT news.

In the event that more than one parent submits an interest form for the same position, consideration will first be given to the guidelines above, and for those who still qualify, random selection by pulling a name "out of a hat" will be administered by the FMS PTSA President and Nominating Committee.

Name _____ Phone _____

Currently, I have a child/children in: (circle all that apply)

5th 6th 7th 8th grade at

Lewis & Clark Newbery Sunnyslope Foothills Middle School

Other: _____

I understand the guidelines for the parent representative role on LIT. I understand that this is an unpaid volunteer position and that the selection process will be based on the guidelines noted above.

Signature _____ Date _____